

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

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To: All Municipalities, Local Service Districts, Engineering Consultants, Regional Service Boards and Inuit Community Governments, MHAs, MPs, Municipalities Newfoundland Labrador, Professional Municipal Administrators

Re: Call for 2021-2022 Municipal Infrastructure Applications

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The Department of Environment, Climate Change, and Municipalities (ECCM) is inviting applications for its 2021-2022 cost-shared funding programs. Applications will be used for the Municipal Capital Works (MCW) program as well as the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP). **The deadline to submit applications for these programs is November 13, 2020.**

Please note that this is the annual Call for Applications, details on any COVID-19 related funding programs will be released separately.

Attached please find the Application Guide which addresses the requirements of each program. This can also be found on our website https://www.mae.gov.nl.ca/capital_works/proposed.html. Applicants should check the website periodically for any updates.

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1. OVERVIEW

The Department of Environment, Climate Change, and Municipalities (ECCM) supports the development of municipal infrastructure throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. Depending on the program, projects are funded through cost shared funding agreements involving the Provincial and/or Federal Government. In order to solicit appropriate projects, a Call for Applications is made on a yearly basis. This guide will assist Ultimate Recipients in completing an application.

There are currently two Funding Streams available; Municipal Capital Works (MCW) and the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP). Additional information about these programs is provided in **Annex B** and **Annex C**, respectively. The MCW Program is a Provincial program. ICIP is a cost shared Federal Government program administered through Infrastructure Canada (INFC).

These programs have different application requirements, so please review this guideline carefully to ensure your application is complete.

Incomplete applications delay the review process, and may be rejected outright.

2. WHO CAN APPLY?

Table 1, below, provides a high level summary of the eligible Ultimate Recipients for both the MCW and ICIP programs. It is strongly advised that Not-for-Profit and For-Profit organizations read and understand the information provided in **Annex C** prior to starting the application process, to ensure their project is eligible for funding. The ECCM Regional Offices can assist in this review.

Ultimate Recipient	MCW Eligible	ICIP Eligible
Municipalities (e.g. Cities, Towns)	✓	✓
Nunatsiavut & Inuit Community Governments	✓	✓
Local Service Districts	✓	✓
Indigenous Ultimate Recipients *		✓
Not-for-Profit Organizations **		✓
For-Profit Organizations **		✓
* Please see the List of eligible Indigenous Ultimate Recipients in Annex C.		
** Conditions and restrictions apply, please see Annex C.		

Table 1 – Eligible Ultimate Recipient Summary

3. HOW TO APPLY

3.1 GENERAL

All applications must be submitted through the Municipal Support Information System (MSIS), available at <https://msis.gov.nl.ca/MSIS>.

If you do not have Internet access, please contact your Regional Engineer.

3.2 MSIS ACCOUNT

MSIS requires a User ID and Password. If you have used an account previously, it is still active. If you need to set up a MSIS account, please contact the System Administrator at InfrastructureMAE@gov.nl.ca, or (709) 729-3068.

3.3 SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION

To submit an application, follow the usual procedure through MSIS. If you are new to submitting an application, there is a video on YouTube entitled “How to fill out an application in MSIS”, available [here](#). **Table 2**, below, provides some guidelines to follow for certain Application sections.

Section	Guidelines for Completion
Project Title	Project Title Requirement: Five to ten (5-10) words briefly describing the project (e.g. Humber Community Center Retrofit Project, Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion).
Problem Description	Ensure the following questions are answered: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the problem? 2. How long has it been an issue? 3. What is the result if the problem is not addressed? 4. Have any actions been made to correct this issue in the past? 5. Number of people impacted by the issue? 6. Frequency of occurrence?
Project Description	Use the following format for describing the project: <i>Project consists of _____ in the town of _____. The scope of the project includes _____. The project aims to _____. The project will provide_____.</i> See Annex A for further information, and a sample Project Description.

Table 2 - Important MSIS Input Guidelines

Do not use “See Attached” as the only entry in the Project Title, Problem Description or Project Description fields. This slows down review and may result in rejection of the Application.

4. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications **must** include **each** of the documents outlined in **Table 3**, below. Completed files are to be uploaded to MSIS to as part of your Application.

Applications submitted without all of the required documents may be rejected.

In **Table 3**, each of the required documents is accompanied with guidance on where to find a blank template, or how to go about getting the document. Additionally, there are some other important points to keep in mind:

1. **All Documents listed in the table have a purpose.** While it may seem like a long list, submitting all of these documents on-time reduces administrative burden on ECCM after the Application Period closes.
2. Applications for Projects involving Municipal Services (Fire Halls, Town Halls, Depots, etc.), Studies, or Concept Reports **are only eligible for MCW**, and **do not** require the “ICIP Only” forms.
3. Maps and Location Plans provided must clearly show the project location, including **the start and end points for linear infrastructure**. Please include the map coordinates for a “point” project (e.g. building), and the start and end coordinates for linear infrastructure (e.g. water pipes).
4. If a project is eligible for ICIP funding, please ensure to select the applicable ICIP program outcome as a Project Benefit in the Application for Funding Municipal Infrastructure form (Step 7 in **Table 3**).
5. KML files are only required for Applications eligible for ICIP funding. **Section 7** has instructions for creating and submitting a KML.
6. Projects eligible for ICIP funding must have a specific Project Description for the ICIP Stream Application Form; see Step 11 in **Table 3**; see **Annex A** for details.
7. The ICIP Aboriginal Consultation and Environmental Assessment (ACEA) form (Step 12 in **Table 3**) is a *smart form*, meaning that the form changes *based on the answers you provide*. This form **must** be submitted in electronic (PDF) format in order to be accepted (e.g. do not print it and fill it out). There is a specific Project Description required for the ACEA Form; see **Annex A** for details.
8. Projects eligible for ICIP funding may require a Federal Climate Lens Assessment. It is not required during ECCM’s Call for Applications, and will only be required if the Application is to be advanced to INFC for funding consideration. The Applicant will be notified if this is the case during ECCM’s application review process.
9. If more than one Application is submitted, indicate the Priority of each.

Additional information on required submissions is found on the ECCM website, [here](#), or by contacting the local Regional Engineer.

Application Information to be Submitted	Program	Where it is Found / How it is Created
1. Resolution of governing group (council/board/etc.) supporting the project	ALL	Example: Applicant passes a Motion of Council.
2. Letter from Financial institution confirming ability to fund the Applicant's project share.	ALL	Provided if Applicant intends to borrow. Example: Applicant Receives from their Bank.
3. Financial Evaluation Form	ALL	For Municipalities: here for PDF or here for Excel For LSDs: here for PDF or here for Excel For Others: Not Applicable
4. Approval Letter from Gas Tax Secretariat (GTS)	ALL	Only needed if a Municipality wants to use Gas Tax funds for the project, and has approval from GTS.
5. Map/ Drawings / Location Plan	ALL	Indicate the location and scope of the proposed project.
6. Project Class D Estimate	ALL	Applicant or Consultant creates the estimate. See Section 5 for more details.
7. Completed Application for Funding Municipal Infrastructure form.	ALL	Form found here .
8. Provincial Climate Lens Checklist	ALL	Climate Change Checklist is found here . Guidance for completing the Provincial Climate Lens is found here .
9. Capital Works Application - Drinking Water System Information Form	ALL	Form found on the ECCM website, here .
<i>Reminder: Municipal Services/Studies/Concept Reports need not complete the ICIP Forms. All other Applications must complete the following for ICIP.</i>		
10. KML File	ICIP	KML file is created using Google Earth, see Section 7 for details. The KML file is emailed to InfrastructureMAE@gov.nl.ca ; see Section 7 .
11. ICIP Stream Application Form	ICIP	Forms found at links below: GI – Adaptation, Resilience, Disaster Mitigation GI – Environmental Quality GI – Climate Change Mitigation Public Transit Community Culture and Recreation Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure
NOTE: Refer to Annex C for information on the appropriate ICIP Stream for your Application/Project if unsure.		
12. Aboriginal Consultation and Environmental Assessment (ACEA) Form	ICIP	Form found here .

Table 3 - Submission Summary Table

5. PROJECT BUDGETS

5.1 PROJECT ESTIMATE

Ultimate Recipients **must** include a Class D Estimate (at least) for the proposed work, when applying for funding. Invoices for any activities outside the approved scope of work or project timelines may be rejected for payment by ECCM.

If an Application is selected, ECCM will provide no further funds for the resultant project.

5.2 CAPITAL COST CONTINGENCY ALLOWANCE

Since additional funding is not an option, ECCM allows for reasonable Contingency Allowances to be included within the project budget. This is in accordance with the Capital Works Cost Contingency Allowance Policy, available [here](#). This is summarized in **Table 4**, below.

Project Type	Total estimated Cost	Maximum Contingency Allowance
Roads	Less than \$500,000	5%
	\$500,000 to \$2,000,000	4%
	\$2,000,000 or greater	Determined by ECCM officials.
Water and Waste water	All	10%
Buildings (New Construction)	Less than \$5,000,000	10%
	\$5,000,000 or greater	8%
Buildings (Renovation, Remodeling, Repair)	Less than \$5,000,000	15%
	\$5,000,000 or greater	10%
Recreation	All	10%
Breakwater/Sea Walls	All	10%

Table 4 - Contingency Allowance Summary

The Contingency Allowance included in a project’s cost estimates is **only** to be used to account for unforeseen costs. It **must not** be used as a substitute for robust cost estimates. The Contingency will not be used to fund changes in scope or to complete additional work.

Upon project completion, unused portions of a contingency allowance are returned to ECCM for use in future projects.

5.3 MULTI-PHASE PROJECTS

When applying for projects that will be phased, the Application **must** be for the amount of the current phase, with supporting information. Additionally, please submit the complete project budget along with a phasing plan.

6. PROJECT APPROVAL

If an Application has been approved by the Department, and/or Infrastructure Canada, a letter will be sent to the Ultimate Recipient. This letter will include all of the information required to enter into a funding agreement.

Project funding will equal the Project Cost less the amount of Tax rebate. The rebates are to be used by the Ultimate Recipient as part of the project funding. Interim financing of the rebates is the responsibility of the Ultimate Recipient.

The Ultimate Recipient is required to apply for the appropriate tax rebates.

Applicants will be notified, in writing, if their Application is not successful.

7. KML FILE CREATION

A KML file is an open, portable geographic data type. It contains both data, and rendering information. KML files are required as part of ECCM's submission to Infrastructure Canada for ICIIP Projects. Below is a quick guide to creating a KML file from Google Earth (Note: Google Earth is free).

1. Navigate to your project location using one or more of the following options:
 - a. Typing an address or coordinates in the search bar;
 - b. Clicking, dragging, and scrolling in the map viewer; or
 - c. Using the navigation tools.
2. Draw your project on the map in the proper location using the placemark, polygon, and path tools. You may draw as many components of varying types (point, line, or polygon) as necessary.
3. Choose the appropriate drawing tool for the type of component you are drawing:
 - a. Placemark: point project components (wells, outfalls, culverts, etc.).
 - b. Polygon: project components that consist of an area of any shape (building footprints, vegetation cuts, sewer/wastewater lagoons, etc.).
 - c. Path: linear project components (roads, sewer lines, railways, pipelines, trails, transmission lines, etc.).
4. Export the shapes to .KML to be shared.
5. KML files are to be emailed to the InfrastructureMAE@gov.nl.ca inbox, to accompany your Application. **Indicate the Application Number in the Subject Line of the email.**

8. COST OF PREPARING APPLICATION

Applicants must bear any costs of preparing, submitting, or answering questions related to an Application. ECCM will not provide financial assistance for any costs associated with preparing project cost estimates, or preparing and submitting Applications.

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ANNEX A – Project Description Format

The format and information in this Annex are required for the Project Descriptions in the ICIP Application Form and ACEA Form. If the Applicant does not use this format, review of the Application will be delayed, and the Application **may be rejected**.

ICIP Application Form - Project Description must follow the format below:

Project consists of _____ (describe the project) _____ in the town of _____ (indicate the town/LSD) _____.

The scope of the project includes _____ (describe the scope of the project) _____.

The project aims to _____ (describe what the project aims to achieve when complete) _____.

Example Project Description from a recent project (recipient name changed):

The project consists of upgrading aged and faulty sewage lift station in the community of Anytown.

The scope of the project includes mechanical upgrades to the lift station, retention tank replacements, and 40m of service line replacement to community center.

The project aims to have fully functional sewage lift station conforming to the latest construction codes.

ACEA Form - Project Description Must Outline the Information below:

Please describe the project purpose, components, associated works, undertakings/activities and schedule.

When describing the project components and activities (e.g., clearing, demolition of existing works, excavation or drilling, dredging, decommissioning etc.), please provide a description of the environment where this work is taking place.

For example, are the works and related undertakings taking place on developed land (e.g., deforested, built-up, or agricultural land), or land that is forested, vegetated or previously undeveloped?

It is important to describe any work taking place near water and to indicate who owns and controls the land that will be affected by the project.

Example ACEA Project Description from a recent project (recipient name changed):

Project consists of installing new sewer lines and replacing outdated, corroded water lines to 18 houses, 1 post office, and 1 church.

Project aims to alleviate the problem with raw sewage from private septic systems going in to the ocean and gray water going in to the ditches along the roadside.

This project will result in dry sewer services until the next phase when a lift station can be installed.

Replacing outdated, corroded waterlines will alleviate future waterline leaks and possible collapse of main waterline.

ANNEX B – MCW Program Information

MUNICIPAL CAPITAL WORKS FUNDING (MCW)

Program Overview

MCW projects are funded on a provincial/municipal cost share basis. Funding is to be used for the creation of new infrastructure or the capital renewal of existing; it is not to be used for normal maintenance or operational costs.

MCW Eligible Recipients

1. Incorporated Towns (currently not under a Multi-year Capital Works agreement)
2. Local Service Districts
3. Nunatsiavut & Inuit Community Governments

Cost Share Ratios for MCW Funding

Project Category	Population	Municipal Share	Provincial Share	Gas Tax Eligibility
Water, waste water, disaster mitigation	Less than 3,000	10%	90%	As there is no federal funding cost shared in these programs, a Municipality may choose to use Gas Tax for the full municipal share
	3,000 and 7,000	20%	80%	
	Greater than 7,000	30%	70%	
Recreational projects, Community/Council Buildings, Fire halls	All population bands	40%	60%	
Roads and other funding requests	All population bands	50%	50%	

- Projects which are regional in nature, with a signed Memorandum of Understanding between the regional parties, may qualify for a 10 per cent lower municipal cost shared ratio (unless the project already falls into the 90/10 category).
- Percentages are payable on project eligible costs (total cost less HST rebate)

Eligible and Ineligible Projects for MCW Funding

Eligible Projects - Water, Waste Water, Disaster Mitigation (Municipalities only)

- Upgrades of water/sewer systems
- Water supply development/Intakes
- Flowmeters
- Insulation of freeze-prone mains
- Water transmission mains
- Sewage treatment systems
- Sewer trunk/collector/service lines
- Monitoring programs
- Power supply extension to water/wastewater infrastructure
- Access roads to water supplies
- Chlorination system
- Replacement of deteriorated main lines
- Pump houses
- Water storage tank
- Water treatment facilities
- Sewage lift stations
- Sewer outfalls
- Seawall / Breakwater Projects related to protection of subsurface infrastructure

Eligible Projects - Recreational Projects, Community/Council Buildings, Fire Halls

- Town hall
- Major renovations/repairs
- Wellness center
- Sports field
- Multi-purpose sports complex
- Walking trails
- Outdoor ice pads
- Splash pads
- Fire hall
- Power supply extensions
- Library
- Swimming pool
- Arenas
- Ice resurfacing machines
- Preliminary studies
- Playground

Eligible Projects – Roads and Other Funding Requests

- Retaining walls
- Pedestrian Crosswalks
- Traffic Study
- Culverts
- Signage
- Raising of manholes, catch basins / valves
- Recapping of existing roads
- Seawall / Breakwater Projects for the protection of road infrastructure
- Storm drainage
- Traffic lights and line painting where approved by the department
- Curb and Gutter
- Street Lighting
- Sidewalks
- Bridge
- Generators
- New pavement on existing and new roads
- Road widening and upgrading
- New road construction (Subject to Departmental review)
- Installation of guide rails
- Local/Main/Collector roads that have NOT been paved in the last 10 years

Ineligible Projects For MCW Funding

- New subdivisions
- Purchase of spare parts, maintenance materials, etc.
- Thawing of frozen service lines
- Disaster mitigation for private property
- Cleaning of screens and strainers
- New water and/or sewer to service new development
- Flushing of existing mains
- Paving less than 100m

Eligible and Non Eligible Expenses for MCW Projects

Eligible Expenses for MCW Projects

- Consultant fees & expenses
- Costs related to operation of site
- Relocation of public utilities affected by construction
- Property acquisition where approved by the department
- Preliminary studies
- Testing
- Property and road reinstatement where impacted by project

Non Eligible Expenses for MCW Projects

- General maintenance work
- Private access roads
- Repairs to fire fighting vehicles
- Legal Surveys
- Annual lining of sports fields
- Team uniforms
- Municipal costs related to administrative Capital Works Projects
- Assets which will not belong to Ultimate Recipient after construction
- Maintenance to town offices and buildings
- Land Purchases without departmental approval – additional information may be required
- Recipient labour (unless the project is pre-approved for project to be managed by recipient)
- Purchase of digital signs and mobile traffic control lights (unless business case provides sound reasoning)
- Landscaping (in isolation)
- Snow clearing equipment
- Vehicle rentals/lease/purchase
- Heavy construction equipment
- Cleaning of equipment
- Media Ads
- Patching as defined in master specification (in isolation)
- Purchase of related firefighting equipment
- Survey Equipment (purchase is not acceptable for any type of equipment)
- Buildings whose purpose is not within the authority of UR under the Municipalities Act
- Construction Materials (unless the project is pre-approved for project to be managed by recipient)

ANNEX C – ICIP Funding Program Information

INVESTING IN CANADA PROGRAM (ICIP)

Information outlined in this Annex is taken from the *Integrated Bilateral Agreement (for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program) Canada - Newfoundland and Labrador* which can be found at the following link <https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/2018/2018-nl-eng.html>. It is encouraged for Applicants to review this document to ensure their project meets all program requirements.

Program Overview

Composed of four funding streams:

1. Public Transit;
2. Green Infrastructure;
3. Community, Culture and Recreation; and
4. Rural and Northern Communities.

ICIP Eligible Recipients

1. Incorporated Cities.
4. Incorporated Towns.
5. Local Service Districts.
6. Nunatsiavut & Inuit Community Governments.
7. When working in collaboration with a municipality, a public or not-for-profit institution that is directly or indirectly authorized, under the terms of provincial or federal statute, or royal charter, to deliver post-secondary courses or programs that lead to recognized and transferable post-secondary credentials.
8. A private sector body, including for-profit organizations and not-for-profit organizations. In the case of for-profit organizations, they will need to work in collaboration with one or more of the entities referred to above or an Indigenous government listed below.
9. The following Indigenous Ultimate Recipients:
 - a. A band council within the meaning of section 2 of the *Indian Act*;
 - b. A First Nation, Inuit or Métis government or authority established pursuant to a self-government agreement or a comprehensive land claim agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada and an Indigenous people of Canada, that has been approved, given effect and declared valid by federal legislation;
 - c. A First Nation, Inuit or Métis government that is established by or under legislation whether federal or provincial that incorporates a governance structure.And

- d. A not-for-profit organization whose central mandate is to improve Indigenous outcomes, working in collaboration with one or more of the Indigenous entities referred to above, a municipality, or Newfoundland and Labrador.

Note: For-profit applicants should consult the *Canada - Newfoundland and Labrador Integrated Bilateral Agreement (for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program)* or contact the local ECCM Regional Engineer to determine Recipient and Project eligibility.

Cost Share Ratios for ICIP Funding

Non-Municipal Recipients			
Stream	Applicant Type	Federal Share	Ultimate Recipient Share
Public Transit (St. John's and Corner Brook only) Improved capacity, quality or access to existing public transit	For-profit	25.00%	75.00%
Green Infrastructure Includes Climate Change Mitigation; Adaption, Resilience, Disaster Mitigation; and Environmental Quality sub-streams	Indigenous	75.00%	25.00%
	Not-for-profit	40.00%	60.00%
	For-profit	25.00%	75.00%
Community, Culture and Recreation Increased access to and/or quality of cultural, recreational and/or community infrastructure	Indigenous	75.00%	25.00%
	Not-for-profit	40.00%	60.00%
Rural and Northern Communities Improved and more reliable road, air, and marine infrastructure, improved food security, improved broadband connectivity, more efficient and/or reliable energy and potential projects under other streams	Indigenous	75.00%	25.00%
	Not-for-profit	50.00%	50.00%
	For profit	25.00%	75.00%

Municipal Ultimate Recipients					
Stream	Population Other Criteria	Federal Share	Provincial Share	Municipal Share	Gas Tax Eligibility
Public Transit Improved capacity, quality or access to existing public transit networks (St. John's and Corner Brook only)	New construction/expansion	40.00%	33.33%	26.67%	Max Federal share is 40%, therefore not eligible for Gas Tax
	Public transit rehabilitation	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%	Max Federal share is 50%, therefore not eligible for Gas Tax
Green Infrastructure Includes Climate Change Mitigation; Adaption, Resilience, Disaster Mitigation; and Environmental Quality sub-streams	Population less than 3,000	40.00%	50.00%	10.00%	Max Federal share is 40%, therefore not eligible for Gas Tax
	Population of 3,000 to 7,000	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%	Max Federal share is 40%, therefore not eligible for Gas Tax
	Population greater than 7,000	40.00%	30.00%	30.00%	Max Federal share is 40%, therefore not eligible for Gas Tax
Community, Culture and Recreation Includes increased access to and/or quality of cultural, recreational and/or community infrastructure	All population bands	33.34%	33.33%	33.33%	Max Federal share is 40%, therefore eligible for up to 6.66% Gas Tax, Municipal Share would then be 26.67%
Rural and Northern Communities Includes improved and more reliable road, air, and marine infrastructure, improved food security, improved broadband connectivity, more efficient and/or reliable energy and potential projects under other streams	Population less than 100,000	33.34%	33.33%	33.33%	Population less than 5,000 - Max Federal share is 60%, therefore eligible for up to 26.66% Gas Tax, Municipal Share would then be 6.67%
					Population greater than 5,000 - Max Federal share is 50%, therefore eligible for up to 16.66% Gas Tax, Municipal Share would then be 16.67%

Eligible Projects for ICIP Funding

Stream	Outcomes
Public Transit (St. John's and Corner Brook)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved capacity of public transit infrastructure 2. Improved quality and/or safety of existing or future transit systems 3. Improved access to a public transit system
Green Infrastructure	<p>Climate Change Mitigation Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased capacity to manage more renewable energy 2. Increased access to clean energy transportation 3. Increased energy efficiency of buildings 4. Increased generation of clean energy <p>Adaptation, Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased structural capacity and/or increased natural capacity to adapt to climate change impacts, natural disasters and/or extreme weather events <p>Environmental Quality Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased capacity to treat and/or manage wastewater and stormwater 2. Increased access to potable water 3. Increased capacity to reduce and/or remediate soil and/or air pollutants
Community, Culture and Recreation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved access to and/or increased quality of cultural, recreational and/or community infrastructure for Canadians, including Indigenous peoples and vulnerable populations
Rural and Northern Communities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved food security 2. Improved and/or more reliable road, air and/or marine infrastructure 3. Improved broadband connectivity 4. More efficient and/or reliable energy 5. Improved education and/or health facilities (specific to Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action)

Ineligible Projects for ICIP Funding

Stream	Ineligible Projects
Public Transit	Inter-city bus, rail, port or ferry infrastructure that is not part of a public transit system.
Green Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Climate Change Mitigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. is eligible under the Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund’s three priority areas b. Energy retrofit project, unless project is on an asset that would be considered eligible for funding under this Agreement or under the National Housing Strategy c. involves emergency services infrastructure ii. Adaptation, Resilience and Climate Change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. relocates whole communities b. involves emergency services infrastructure c. addresses seismic risks
Community, Culture and Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. has a private sector, for-profit Ultimate Recipient ii. is a stand-alone daycare facility, for-profit daycare facility, daycare facility associated with a school board, or a daycare facility funded under Canada’s Early Learning and Child Care initiative iii. is a religious site that serves as a place of assembly for religious purposes, iv. is a professional or semi-professional sport facility v. Within Community Infrastructure Projects that meet an outcome in the Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure Outcomes Table, elements of the Project that include dedicated spaces for healthcare, education or tourism purposes; provincial or municipal services; or for-profit uses are ineligible for contribution funding under this Agreement, except for dedicated healthcare or education spaces that benefit Indigenous people by advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Calls to Action, as approved by Canada.
Rural and Northern Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Early learning and childcare facility ii. Health facility, or an education facility, except to benefit Indigenous peoples by advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Calls to Action iii. Highway or trade corridor infrastructure, except for portions that connect communities that do not already have year round road access iv. is resource development infrastructure, notably industrial resource development access roads

Investments in health and education facilities are not eligible for contribution funding under this Agreement, except as otherwise specified.

Eligible Costs for ICIP Projects

- All costs considered by Canada to be direct and necessary for the successful implementation of an eligible Project
- The incremental costs of employees of an Ultimate Recipient may be included as Eligible Expenditures for a Project under the following conditions:
 - The Ultimate Recipient is able to demonstrate that it is not economically feasible to tender a Contract; and
 - The arrangement is approved in advance and in writing by Canada.
- Costs will only be eligible as of Project approval, except for costs associated with completing climate lens assessments which are eligible before Project approval, but can only be paid if and when a Project is approved by Canada.

Ineligible Costs for ICIP Projects

- Costs Incurred before Project approval and any and all expenditures related to Contracts signed prior to Project approval
- Costs Incurred for cancelled Projects
- Costs of relocating entire communities
- Land acquisition
- Leasing land, buildings and other facilities; leasing equipment other than equipment directly related to the construction of the Project; real estate fees and related costs;
- Any overhead costs, including salaries and other employment benefits of any employees of the Ultimate Recipient, any direct or indirect operating or administrative costs of Ultimate Recipients, and more specifically any costs related to planning, engineering, architecture, supervision, management and other activities normally carried out by the Ultimate Recipient's staff
- Financing charges, legal fees, and loan interest payments, including those related to easements
- Any goods and services costs which are received through donations or in kind
- Provincial sales tax, goods and services tax, or harmonized sales tax for which the Ultimate Recipient is eligible for a rebate, and any other costs eligible for rebates
- Costs associated with operating expenses and regularly scheduled maintenance work
- Cost related to furnishing and non-fixed assets which are not essential for the operation of the Asset/Project
- All capital costs, including site preparation and construction costs, until Canada has confirmed that environmental assessment and Aboriginal consultation obligations as required under IBA Sections 11 (Environmental Assessment) and 12 (Aboriginal Consultation) have been met and continue to be met.

Federal Climate Lens Assessment

A Federal Climate Lens Assessment will only be required for certain funding streams and projects that exceed a certain funding limit.

Program Stream	GHG Mitigation Assessment	Climate Change Resilience Assessment
Green Infrastructure: Climate Change Mitigation sub-stream	All projects. (Demonstrates alignment with sub-stream outcome.)	If total eligible project costs are \$10M or greater.
Green Infrastructure: Adaptation, Resilience and Disaster Mitigation sub-stream	If total eligible project costs are \$10M or greater	All projects. (Demonstrates alignment with sub-stream outcome.)
All other streams and sub-streams	If total eligible project costs are \$10M or greater	If total eligible project costs are \$10M or greater

See document [here](#) for further details. ECCM will contact Applicants who have submitted Applications requiring a Federal Climate Lens Assessment.