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FEDERAL/PROVINCIAL FUNDING FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

Town to receive \$20 million from Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership Program and Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program

Rocky Mountain House, Alta. – The Town of Rocky Mountain House is pleased to announce it has been awarded a cost-shared grant from both the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta towards a new wastewater treatment facility that will serve both Town and County residents.

The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (Rural and Northern Communities stream), delivered through Infrastructure Canada, will contribute \$10,889,200 towards a state-of-the-art mechanical wastewater treatment plant.

The Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership Program, delivered through Alberta Transportation, will provide up to \$9,073,426 to the project.

The Town will address its portion of project financing during the 2021 budget process.

"A mechanical wastewater treatment facility will serve current and future Town and County residents and businesses for years to come," said Town of Rocky Mountain House Mayor Tammy Burke. "The Town of Rocky Mountain House is pleased to see our long-range planning is paying off. Through deliberate examination of our infrastructure needs, we were able to secure a combined \$20 million towards this important project."

The wastewater treatment facility will use a sequencing batch reactor system designed to accommodate a future population of 9,000, and will help the Town reach its strategic plan goal of becoming an Environmental Leader.

"This provincial and federal investment is critical to the quality of life, economic growth and resiliency of our region," said Mayor Burke. "Thank you to Alberta and Canada for this important environmental step forward for our community."

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