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TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBJECT: Canada - Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program Update

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

This report provides an update on HRM's projects under the Canada-Nova Scotia Infrastructure program.

BACKGROUND

On October 4, 2000, the Canada - Nova Scotia Infrastructure Agreement was signed in Halifax. With equal contributions from the Government of Canada, the Province of Nova Scotia and other partners including municipalities, the Canada/Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program will represent a total investment of \$195 million over six years. The primary focus of the Infrastructure Program is "green" projects that will protect or enhance the quality of our environment, such as potable water, waste and wastewater systems and improved air quality. The secondary priorities include local transportation infrastructure, cultural and recreational facilities, affordable housing, remote and rural telecommunications links and high-speed Internet connections for public institutions.

Halifax Regional Municipality is allocated \$25,792,000 of funding from the Canada-Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program (CNSIP). Those funds were applied for as approved by Regional Council. HRM currently has 19 projects under the CNSIP program.

DISCUSSION

Completed Projects

The following projects are complete and HRM has received final payment from CNSIP:

North Preston Community Centre
Beaver Bank Road Trunk Sewer Upgrade
Beaver Bank Water, Phase IV, A

The following projects are complete and HRM is currently finalizing the administrative requirements to receive final payment:

Little Salmon River
Maplewood Water, Phase I
Miller Lake Water
Beaver Bank Sewer - Phase IV AB & C
Beaver Bank Water, Phase IV, B & C

MacIntosh Run Sanitary Sewer Upgrade is substantially complete. Staff will be working with the contractor to finalize outstanding issues by October 31, 2005. We will then proceed with finalizing the administrative requirements.

Projects in Progress

Maplewood Water Phase II, Herring Cove Water and Sewer Phase 1A, Prince's Lodge Water and Sewer, and the Harbour East Artificial Turf are currently projected to be completed on budget and on time.

Due to the size and complexity, Beaverbank Water and Sewer was allocated seven separate projects. Four of the projects are complete. The Beaverbank Water Reservoir was tendered , however only one tender was received. That bid has remained sealed and staff will retender in late 2005 or early 2006. Water and Sewer phases VI D and E are currently under construction. The project deadline has been extended to March 31, 2008. Projected completion is July 2006.

Moser River Fire Station was originally budgeted as a \$625,000 project. Projected costs are currently \$856,000. Council approved additional funding of \$251,000 to come from the Rural Fire Reserve. The tender has been awarded to Jetco Contracting. The project is expected to be completed by March 31, 2006.

The Mainland Commons Recreation Facility is a \$8.0 million project. HRM has been approved for CNSIP funds of \$2.7 million. We are currently undertaking a Community Consultation with expected completion in mid-December. Once community agreement has been reached, the

architects will begin work on the schematic design. The CNSIP deadline has been extended to March 31, 2008.

The tender for the Highway 111 Interchange project was awarded and construction began on August 2, 2005. Through the tender approval, Council reallocated appropriate funds to allow the project to move forward and the project is currently projected to be completed in August 2006.

Staff will return to Council March, 2006 with the next update.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications.

MULTI-YEAR FINANCIAL STRATEGY IMPACTS

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

None. Information only.

ATTACHMENTS

1. CNSIP project list and status

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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CNSIP Project List and Status

Project #	Project Name	Total Budget	Approved CNSIP	% Approved Funding	\$\$ To Be Spent	Projected Final Cost Sept 15/05	Variance Budget to Projected	Projected CNSIP Sept 15/05	Variance Approved CNSIP to Projected	Status
Completed Projects										
05-00-0314	Little Salmon River	1,132,000	754,666			1,214,926	-82,926	754,196	470	Project complete, awaiting final audit
05-00-0315	Maplewood Water, Phase I	450,000	277,977	66.67%	615,000	465,452	-15,452	277,977	0	Project complete, awaiting final audit
05-00-0360	Miller Lake Water	200,000	133,333	66.67%	1,620,000	227,559	-27,559	133,333	0	Project complete, awaiting final payment
05-00-0324	North Preston Community Centre	2,972,000	1,981,333	66.67%	3,106,200	3,115,993	-143,993	1,981,333	0	Project complete, received final payment June 6/05
05-00-0193	Macintosh Run - Sanitary Sewer Upgrade	1,000,000	517,477	51.75%	876,022	776,216	223,784	517,477	0	Project substantially complete, contractor issues to be resolved Oct 05
Sub Total Completed Projects										
		5,754,000	3,664,766			5,023,930	-269,930	3,664,316	470	
Projects in Progress										
05-03-0091	Maplewood Water, Phase II	615,000	410,000	66.67%	615,000	615,000	0	410,000	0	Under construction, projected completion Dec 31/05
05-00-0368	Prince's Lodge Water & Sewer	1,620,000	1,080,000	66.67%	1,620,000	1,620,000	0	1,080,000	0	Under construction, projected completion prior to Mar 06. Phase 1A is under construction. Projected completion July 2006.
05-00-0315	Herring Cover Water and Sewer	3,106,200	2,070,800	66.67%	3,106,200	3,106,200	0	2,070,800	0	Project deadline extended to March 31, 2008.
05-03-0069	Moser River Fire Station	876,022	416,666	47.56%	876,022	856,000	20,022	416,666	0	Tender award approved Sept 9/05, 4-6 month construction, completion Dec - Feb 06
05-00-0318	Harbour East Artificial Turf	4,000,000	1,600,000	45.71%	4,000,000	4,000,000	0	1,600,000	0	Project under construction. Projected completion June 2006.
05-00-0343	Manland Commons Rec Facility - Phase I	7,912,000	2,683,682	33.50%	8,000,000	7,912,000	0	2,683,682	0	Project deadline extended to March 31, 2008. Community Consultation in progress. Consultation expected to be complete in mid-December. Project deadline has been extended to March 31, 2008.
05-00-0199	Highway 111/Woodside Connector	12,100,000	2,500,000	26.71%	12,100,000	12,100,000	0	2,500,000	0	Tender awarded, projected completion August 2006. Project deadline has been extended to March 31, 2008.
Sub Total Projects in Progress										
		30,229,222	10,761,148			30,209,200	20,022	10,761,148	0	
Beaver Bank Group										
05-00-0196	Beaver Bank Road Trunk Sewer Upgrade	750,000	500,000	66.67%	750,000	749,796	204	496,489	3,511	Project complete, received final payment May 10/05. Both phases under construction. Phase 4D to be completed in Dec 2005. Phase 4E to be completed in July 2006. Project deadline extended to March 31, 2008.
05-01-0157	Beaver Bank Sewer Service - Phase IV, DE	3,492,650	2,328,433	66.67%	3,492,650	3,492,650	0	2,328,433	0	Project complete, awaiting final audit
05-00-0197	Beaver Bank Sewer - Phase IV AB & C	4,411,500	2,941,000	66.67%	4,411,500	4,411,500	0	2,941,000	0	Project complete, awaiting final payment
05-01-0146	Beaver Bank Water - Phase IV, BC	2,250,000	1,500,000	66.67%	2,250,000	2,250,000	0	1,500,000	0	To be re-tendered in late 2005 or early 2006. Project deadline extended to March 31, 2008
05-01-0153	Beaver Bank Water Reservoir	3,000,000	2,000,000	66.67%	3,000,000	3,000,000	0	2,000,000	0	Both phases under construction. Phase 4D to be completed in Dec 2005. Phase 4E to be completed in July 2006. Project deadline extended to March 31, 2008.
05-01-0156	Beaver Bank Water Service - Phase IV, DE	2,717,650	1,811,767	66.67%	2,717,650	2,717,650	0	1,811,767	0	Project complete, received final payment May 10/05
05-00-0313	Beaver Bank Water, Phase IV, A	428,200	285,467	66.67%	428,200	428,200	0	285,467	0	
Sub Total Beaver Bank Group										
		17,050,000	11,366,667			17,049,796	204	11,363,156	3,511	
Total CNSIP										
		53,033,222	25,792,601			52,282,926	-249,704	25,788,620	3,981	