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Subject: A message from the Minister of Infrastructure

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Dear Chair Iannicca:

On behalf of the Ministry of Infrastructure, I would like to thank you for participating in the 2020 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference. It was a pleasure to meet with you and your delegation. I appreciated our discussion about how we can work together to advance critical infrastructure to support Ontario's economic recovery and build healthy communities.

As we discussed, the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Plan (ICIP) will provide Ontario with a total of \$11.8 billion in federal funding over 10 years. This money is allocated through four funding streams: Rural and Northern Infrastructure, Public Transit, Green Infrastructure, and Community, Culture and Recreation. Ontario has launched intakes for all four of the ICIP funding streams. To date, Ontario has nominated 760 projects to the federal government, of which over 390 have been approved.

The federal government recently announced a new COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure stream under ICIP with additional eligible project types. The stream does not provide new money. It provides Ontario the opportunity to allocate up to 10 per cent of unallocated ICIP federal funding to utilize the stream. Ontario appreciates the potential flexibility the new stream could provide. We are reviewing the details to determine how this stream could support Ontario's infrastructure priorities, while also maintaining funding for an additional intake of ICIP Green. More information will be available soon.

Ontario will continue to ask for additional federal funding to make more investments in infrastructure projects and broadband that are critical to the province and our municipal partners as well as continue to push for additional flexibility and expedited project approvals within ICIP. I am committed to working with municipalities and the federal government to streamline the delivery of programs through bi-lateral funding agreements that support the best interests of the people of Ontario. I look forward to continuing the conversation and working to support your municipality as these opportunities become available.

Thank you again for meeting with me. I look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Laurie Scott
Minister of Infrastructure

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