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SUMA Welcomes Funding for Municipal Infrastructure

The Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) welcomes the signing of the integrated bilateral agreement between the Province of Saskatchewan and Government of Canada. Today's agreement will provide more than \$896 million in federal funding to support infrastructure projects in Saskatchewan.

"Saskatchewan hometowns are responsible for more than half of all public infrastructure in the province. This infrastructure delivers clean drinking water, removes waste, provides transportation, fosters recreation, and more," said SUMA President Gordon Barnhart. "Funding provided through the new bilateral agreement will help our hometowns maintain and improve the infrastructure that their residents rely on daily, enhancing quality of life in Saskatchewan."

The Government of Canada is investing approximately \$308 million in public transit projects, \$416 million in green infrastructure projects, \$56 million in community, cultural, and recreational infrastructure projects, and \$116 million in rural and northern community infrastructure projects.

Projects funded through the Investing in Canada plan will be cost shared between the federal government, provincial government, and municipalities.

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