

Backgrounder

Northwest Saskatchewan Infrastructure Projects Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF)

Town of Meadow Lake – Arena Energy Efficiency Upgrades

MRIF funding: \$250,000; Project cost: \$703,500

The town will replace existing compressors, electrical panels, pumps and the chiller to increase energy efficiency in the arena and reduce running times in the ice plant. Existing lighting will be replaced with energy efficient bulbs and ballasts. New roof insulation will also be added, and windows between the ice and viewing areas will be upgraded. A heat reclamation system may be installed to capture heat from the ice plant. These changes will all contribute to increased energy efficiency and reduced operating costs for the community.

Resort Village of Candle Lake – Candle Lake Curling Rink Improvements

MRIF funding: \$60,224; Project cost: \$120,450

The curling rink will receive new insulation in the walls and floor, and a concrete floor will be installed. These upgrades will provide a higher quality curling surface and also allow the facility to be used year round. The community will be able to develop additional recreational and leisure programming.

Village of Goodsoil – Recreation Complex Artificial Ice Installation

MRIF funding: \$61,500; Project cost: \$123,000

An artificial ice system will be installed in the skating rink. The natural ice currently in use is susceptible to variable weather conditions, and the rink is unable to open until December each year. An upgrade to artificial ice will mean that the community can enjoy a longer rink season, and this will lead to increased recreation opportunities for residents of Goodsoil and the surrounding area.

Village of Pierceland – Community Hall Air Conditioning and Heating Installation

MRIF funding: \$39,374; Project cost: \$78,750

Air conditioning and heating systems will be upgraded to accommodate the square footage and occupant load of the Community Hall. These improvements will increase opportunities for community activities during the summer months.

Town of Spiritwood – Curling/Bowling Facility Upgrades

MRIF funding: \$88,000; Project cost: \$176,000

The town will complete the mezzanine floor of their recreational facility. The finished curling and bowling facility will serve the community as a location for club activities, community events, other recreational outlets and as a showcase for sport tourism.

Northern Village of Beauval – Sewage Pumping Station Upgrades

MRIF funding: \$785,198; Project cost: \$1,177,795

Beauval will receive upgrades to existing sewage pumping stations to meet existing and future demands. This project will upgrade or replace buildings, controls, and electrical and mechanical components. Both sewage pumping stations will receive back-up power sources with dedicated buildings. The upgrades will improve sewage treatment for the community and prevent any future environmental damage to the Beaver River or residential homes.

Northern Village of Green Lake – Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

MRIF funding: \$407,184; Project cost: \$610,775

The water treatment system in Green Lake will receive significant upgrades and improvements to operate efficiently and maintain compliance with provincial regulatory standards. The upgrades will include well servicing and installation of air lines to monitor well performance and condition. The treatment process will be improved through installation of new equipment and implementation of new procedures. This project will provide area residents with safe, secure and reliable water treatment that will meet the projected needs and demands of the community for the next 20 years.

Total MRIF funding: \$1,691,480

Total project costs: \$2,990,270