



Backgrounder

Watrous Long-term Care Construction Project

Current Situation

- Manitou Lodge currently houses 35 long-term care residents while, at the same time, 10 long-term care residents reside in Watrous Hospital.
- Manitou Lodge was constructed in 1957.

The Project

- The project's scope includes the construction of a new 43 bed long-term care facility that will be attached to the existing Watrous Hospital building.
- The project will cost \$14.4 million which includes \$11.9 million for actual construction. The Ministry of Health is contributing \$9.1 million toward the planning and construction. The local community is contributing \$5.3 million for planning, construction, and equipment and furnishings.

Timelines

- Saskatoon Health Region received approval from the Ministry of Health in February 2009 to replace Manitou Lodge.
- Saskatoon Health Region updated and finalized the project's Functional Program throughout the month of March 2009 and, subsequently, received approval from the Ministry to proceed to design development in April 2009.
- The contract for architectural services was awarded to LM Architectural Group of Winnipeg, MB. Design development involving a variety of working groups including staff and clients was undertaken.
- In June 2010, approval of the Design Development Report and construction documents was received from the Ministry of Health which permitted the Region to proceed to tendering of the project. Tender for construction was advertised at the beginning of August.
- On September 8, administrators presented the tender to Saskatoon Health Regional Authority, recommending that it be awarded to Humboldt Lumber Mart Ltd. and this was approved. Construction is expected to begin this fall.

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