COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 8, 2005

CANADA-ONTARIO MUNICIPAL RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (COMRIF) INTAKE ONE FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT AND FUTURE INTAKE DATES

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Finance & Corporate Services, the Commissioner of Engineering & Public Works and the Director of Reserves & Investments recommend:

THAT the information contained in this report with respect to the COMRIF program be received for information purposes.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact as this is an information item.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information pertaining to the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF) program Intake-One funding announcements and provide information on future intake dates.

Background - Analysis and Options

On November 15, 2004, the \$900 million COMRIF program was launched to improve and renew public infrastructure across the province. COMRIF targets the infrastructure needs of small urban and rural communities with a population of less than 250,000 people.

The City of Vaughan submitted an application entitled <u>"Watermain Replacements – Various Locations"</u> in the amount of \$9,516,000 for the first Intake deadline of January 10, 2005 of which \$6,344,000 was to be funded from the COMRIF program (if approved) and the balance of \$3,172,000 was approved in the City's 2005 capital budget.

Over 350 applications were received by COMRIF requesting Federal and Provincial assistance valued at over \$1.3 billion, for projects valued at over \$2 billion for Intake-One. On April 25, 2005 COMRIF announced funding for 120 of those applications which did not include the City of Vaughan application. COMRIF used a weighting of three criteria to determine which projects received funding:

- Public Health & Safety a score is given based on the risk to public health & safety.
 For water projects the associated risks would include the risk of microbiological contamination or real structural failure (as opposed to proactive replacement);
- Value for Money the cost effectiveness of the approach and the amount per benefitting household. This ratio is calculated by dividing the project value by the number of benefitting households (based on this calculation, smaller municipalities would derive a higher value per benefitting household for projects of similar amounts);
- 3. <u>Public Policy Priority</u> alignment with current public policy priority of the Federal and Provincial governments for Intake One these were cleaner water, better sewage systems, improved waste management and safer local roads and bridges.

Discussions with COMRIF staff indicated that their weighting of these three criteria for City of Vaughan projects was low compared to other municipal submitted projects and therefore did not make the funding cut-off. They would most likely rank low if re-submitted in the future. The low weighting is attributed to Criteria #2, Value for Money. This is due to Vaughan's large population.

The criteria for Intake Two is expected to be announced in June 2005 with a fall application deadline. After Intake Two is announced and the Public Policy Priorities have been established – staff will bring forward a plan for Council approval prior to the next submission deadline.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

COMRIF and this report are consistent with the Vaughan Vision Statement "promotes a safe, livable and sustainable environment" and through the enhancement of non-tax revenues by evaluating and increasing grants and subsidies available from external agencies.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

The COMRIF funding announcement did not include approved funding for the City of Vaughan application entitled "Watermain Replacements – Various Locations". When the Intake Two deadline is announced, Staff will bring forward additional projects for Council approval for submission. With the anticipation of an Intake Two announcement in June 2005 with a fall deadline and a Spring 2006 Intake, Staff are continuing the process of preparing for these deadlines.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – COMRIF Funding Announcement April 25, 2005 Attachment 2 – COMRIF Backgrounder – Intake One Funded Projects

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CANADA AND ONTARIO INVEST OVER \$249 MILLION IN MUNICIPAL RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

News Release - Communique

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CANADA AND ONTARIO INVEST OVER \$249 MILLION IN MUNICIPAL RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Ontario residents to benefit from improvements to local communities

NORTH BAY – Delivering on their commitment to build strong, sustainable communities, the governments of Canada and Ontario today announced investments of up to \$249,178,024 in 120 communities through Intake One of the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF).

Together with municipal contributions, the total investment in local infrastructure improvements will be over \$370 million. The investments announced today will provide municipalities with the support they need to renew essential infrastructure in their communities.

Local announcements with specific project details are being made across the province. A listing of funded projects is available in the attached backgrounder.

These investments cover the full range of COMRIF Intake One priorities, including improvements to provide clean, safe drinking water, better sewage systems, improved waste management processes, and safer roads and bridges. There are two additional application intakes planned under COMRIF.

"Through these investments in sustainable public infrastructure, the Government of Canada is making real progress on the New Deal for Cities and Communities in Ontario," said Joe Comuzzi, Minister of State (Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario) and federal Minister responsible for COMRIF. "By working collaboratively with our municipal and provincial partners to make these investments, we are improving the overall quality of life for Canadians across Ontario."

"This news will make a real difference to our small urban and rural communities," said John Gerretsen, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. "Ontarians in 120 communities will directly benefit from these essential infrastructure upgrades - part of our government's plan to build healthy, strong communities."

"COMRIF is an important trilateral partnership for Canada, Ontario and municipalities in this province. It demonstrates that investment in municipal infrastructure is a shared responsibility that creates tangible economic and environmental benefits locally, provincially and nationally," said Roger Anderson, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Under COMRIF, the governments of Canada and Ontario are working together with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and local governments to enhance and renew Ontario's aging public infrastructure, improve the quality of the environment, protect the health and safety of citizens, support long-term economic growth and build strong, sustainable communities by giving municipalities the tools they need.

The Governments of Canada and Ontario are each contributing up to \$298 million to COMRIF. With municipal investments, this program is expected to stimulate up to \$900 million in capital investments over five years.

"The New Deal for Cities and Communities recognizes that municipalities require stable, long-term and predictable funding for infrastructure," said John Godfrey, Minister of State (Infrastructure and Communities). "Through initiatives such as COMRIF, the Government of Canada is working with our partners to support the growth of sustainable communities across the country - this is part of the New Deal for Cities and Communities." The Government of Canada's funding for this initiative was provided for in the February 2005 federal budget and complements other initiatives such as the five-year gas tax transfer of \$1.865 billion to Ontario municipalities, added Minister of State Godfrey.

"The announcement today is great news for communities across Ontario, and together we are making sure that the renewal of public infrastructure takes place," said David Caplan, Ontario Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal. "There's a pressing need now and in future for the kind of collaborative funding solutions that programs such as COMRIF provide."

COMRIF Intake Two will be launched in the coming weeks through a public announcement and direct contact with eligible municipalities. All Ontario municipalities of less than 250,000 people are eligible to apply to COMRIF to improve their local infrastructure. Eligible municipalities can submit one application per intake, and may decide to re-submit a project that was not funded under Intake One.

For further information on the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund, please visit www.comrif.ca or contact the COMRIF Joint Secretariat at 1-866-306-7827.

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Important Notices

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Backgrounder

CANADA-ONTARIO MUNICIPAL RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (COMRIF) INTAKE ONE FUNDED PROJECTS

Community	Project Title	Federal/Provincial Investment (each) (Up to \$)	Total Eligible Costs (Up to \$)
Adelaide Metcalfe, Township of	Construction of Kerwood Wastewater Collection System	1,067,097	3,201,290
Alnwick / Haldimand, Township of	Rehabilitation of Radcliffe Bridge	95,833	287,500
Amherstburg, Town of	Disconnection of Private Storm Drains Disconnection of Roadway Drains Realignment of Existing Sanitary Trunk Sewer Elimination of Overflow Weirs in Sanitary Manholes Separation of Combined Sewers	1,250,000	3,750,000
Armour, Township of	Replacement of Ferguson Road Bridge	269,500	808,500
Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh Township of	Replacement of Kerry's Line Bridge at Site 22 Replacement of Kerry's Line Bridge at Site 23	171,667	515,000
Athens, Township of	Replacement of the Elbe Creek Bridge	94,250	282,750
Belleville, City of	Upgrading of Belleville Water Pollution Control Plant and Pumping Station	644,167	1,932,500
Billings, Township of	Improvements to Kagawong Bay Hill Main Access Corridor	164,690	494,070
Black River-Matheson, Township of	Rehabilitation of #9 Hooker Creek Bridge Replacement of #22 Lava Mountain Bridge Rehabilitation of #8 Watabeag Bridge Rehabilitation of #30 Wavell Road South Bridge	693,000	2,079,000
Blandford-Blenheim, Township of	Reconstruction of Bridge #21 Improvements to Bridge #30 Reconstruction of Bridge #64	561,833	1,685,500
Bonfield, Township of	Reconstruction of Line 3 North Bridge	101,827	305,480
Brant, County of	Rehabilitation of the Fairchild Creek Bridge	366,667	1,100,000
Brighton, Municipality of	Replacement of Goodfellow Road Bridge	133,750	401,250
Brock, Township of	Replacement of Gibbs Bridge Replacement of Argue Bridge	316,667	950,000



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Burpee and Mills, Township or	Improvements to Bell Road Improvements to Indian Point Road Improvements to McKinley Road Improvements to Union Road Improvements to Williams Road	212,650	637,950
Carlow / Mayo, Township of	Replacement of York River Bridge	275,000	825,000
Casey, Township of	Reconstruction of Notre Dame Street in Belle- Vallee	16,133	48,400
Central Manitoulin, Township of	Reconstruction of Carnarvon/Blue Road Bridge #003 Reconstruction of Carnarvon/Ketchankookem Trail Bridge #007 Reconstruction of Carnarvon/Monument Road Bridge #002	281,750	845,250
Centre Wellington, Township of	Reconstruction of Bridge Structure 20-P Reconstruction of Bridge Structure 6-N	1,079,440	3,238,320
Champlain, Township of	Construction of a Wastewater Treatment Plant	2,793,385	8,380,155
Clarington, Municipality of	Rehabilitation of Cedar Park Bridge Rehabilitation of Stephen Bridge Rehabilitation of Colwill Bridge 99023 Rehabilitation of Bridge 99099 Rehabilitation of Bridge 98097 Rehabilitation of Bridge 99524	557,000	1,671,000
Clearview, Township of	Upgrading of Rural Halls' Water Supply and Treatment in Avening, Brentwood, Dunedin, Singhampton and Sunnidale	81,250	243,750
Dufferin, County of	Reconstruction of Black's Bridge	500,000	1,500,000
Dysart et al, Township of	Replacement of Burnt River Bridge Rehabilitation of Coleman Lake Bridge	173,267	519,800
Ear Falls, Township of	Rehabilitation of Spruce Street Rehabilitation of Aspen Street Rehabilitation of Birch Drive Rehabilitation of Balsam Avenue Rehabilitation of Forest Drive Rehabilitation of Poplar Avenue Rehabilitation of Chestnut Crescent Rehabilitation of John Street	489,953	1,469,860
East Gwillimbury, Town of	Improvements to Bridges and Culverts	106,667	320,000
Elgin, County of	Rehabilitation of Sunset Road	2,331,117	6,993,350
Erin, Town of	Realignment of 15 Sideroad Reconstruction of Bridge No. 2009 Reconstruction of Bridge No. 2010	355,667	1,067,000



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Essex, Town of	Improvements to Third Concession Road Improvements to Roseborough Road Upgrading of Hanlan Street	899,000	2,697,000
Gananoque, Separated Town of	Renewal of the King Street Bridge	340,450	1,021,350
Goderich, Town of	Upgrading of the Wastewater System	1,538,607	4,615,820
Gorham Local Roads Board	Reconstruction of Kam-Current Road	95,535	212,300
Greater Madawaska, Township of	Construction of Transfer Stations at 4 Closed Waste Disposal Sites	637,083	1,911,250
Greenstone, Municipality of	Upgrading of Geraldton Sewage System	3,129,100	9,387,300
Grey Highlands, Municipality of	Replacement of Fenwick Bridge	123,500	370,500
Grey, County of	Reconstruction of the Grey-Bruce Line Road	4,066,329	12,198,988
Guelph/Eramosa, Township of	Replacement of Eden Mills Bridge	152,500	457,500
Haliburton, County of	Replacement of Culvert 2108 on Deep Bay Road Replacement of Culvert 6060 on Eagle Lake Road Replacement of Culvert 14160 on Haliburton Lake Road	333,333	1,000,000
Hamilton, Township of	Replacement of Macklin Bridge Rehabilitation of Baltimore Creek Bridge Replacement of Raby Bridge	338,333	1,015,000
Harley, Township of	Rehabilitation of Development Road West	86,313	258,940
Horseshoe Bay LRB	Hard Surfacing of Local Road	80,190	178,200
Huntsville, Town of	Reconstruction of Florence Street	325,125	975,375
Huron Shores, Municipality of	Rehabilitation of the Dean Lake Bridge	205,608	616,823
Ingersoll, Town of	Replacement of Hall Street Bridge Replacement of George Street Culvert Rehabilitation of Wonham Street North Culvert Rehabilitation of Henderson Creek Culvert	130,833	392,500
Innisfil, Town of	Replacement of 10th Line Lovers Creek Bridge Replacement of Everton Bridge	277,633	832,900
Johnson, Township of	Replacement of Shewfelt Creek Bridge	50,000	150,000
Joly, Township of	Replacement of Sandhill Road Culvert	63,667	191,000
Kenora, City of	Renewal of the Kenora Water Distribution and Sewer Systems	666,667	2,000,000
Kincardine, Municipality of	Replacement of Stewart Bridge	198,333	595,000
Kingsville, Town of	Construction of a Sewage Collection System in the Hamlet of Ruthven	1,575,467	4,726,400
Kitchener, City of	Rehabilitation of Greenbrook Plaza Bridge	66,337	199,010
Laird, Township of	Realignment of Government Road	60,000	180,000



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Lambton Shores, Municipality of	Construction of Trunk Watermains and Waterlines	5,616,600	16,849,800
Lambton, County of	Replacement of Bear Creek Bridge – County Road 21 (Oil Heritage Road) Rehabilitation of Sydenham River Bridge – County Road 79 (Nauvoo Road)	485,000	1,455,000
Lanark, County of	Rehabilitation of the Little Clyde River Bridge	143,333	430,000
Leeds & Grenville, United Counties of	Replacement of the Spencerville Bridge	355,333	1,066,000
Lennox & Addington, County of	Replacement of Wilton Creek Bridge Replacement of Black Creek Bridge Replacement of Puzzle Lake Bridge	626,000	1,878,000
Macdonald, Meredith & Aberdeen Add', Township of	Implementation of Waste Diversion Project	23,577	70,730
Magnetawan, Municipality of	Replacement of River Road Bridge	132,000	396,000
Manitouwadge, Township of	Rehabilitation of Abandoned and Active Forcemains in Manitouwadge	2,801,470	8,404,410
Mapleton, Township of	Construction of Water Distribution and Wastewater Collection Systems in Moorefield	1,972,667	5,918,000
Markstay-Warren, Municipality of	Improvements to Nipissing Road Bridge Improvements to Noland Road Bridge Improvements to Dondo Road Bridge Improvements to Park Drive Bridge	414,000	1,242,000
Marmora & Lake, Municipality of	Upgrading of Marmora Water Pollution Control Plant	966,667	2,900,000
McGarry, Township of	Construction of a Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrading of the Sewage Collection System	2,754,540	6,121,200
McNab/Braeside, Township of	Reconstruction of Pinegrove/Hwy 17 Link	223,333	670,000
Middlesex Centre, Township of	Replacement of the Gold Creek Bridge	264,783	794,350
Mono, Town of	Replacement of Structure #20 Replacement of Structure #28 Replacement of Structure #8 Replacement of Structure #29	598,000	1,794,000
Neebing, Municipality of	Replacement of the Blake Hall Road Bridge Replacement of the Scoble Line Road Culvert Replacement of the Oleksuk Road Culvert Replacement of the Cloud Bay Road Culvert	55,693	167,080
Niagara Falls, City of	Construction of Bridge Street Sewer System	1,954,495	5,863,484



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Niagara-on-the-Lake, Town of	Replacement of East West Line and Lavigne Drain (85205) Bridge Rehabilitation of East West Line East of Townline Road (85305) Culvert	50,600	151,800
Nipigon, Township of	Upgrading the Nipigon Sewage Treatment Plant to a Secondary Treatment Process	1,900,000	4,000,000
Nipissing, Township of	Rehabilitation of Alsace Road	123,626	370,878
North Bay, City of	Construction of North Bay Water Filtration Plant	14,988,333	44,965,000
North Dundas, Township of	Replacement of Nesbitt Bridge	135,000	405,000
North Middlesex, Municipality of	Upgrading of the Ailsa Craig and Nairn Wastewater Systems	3,563,372	10,690,116
North Stormont, Township of	Replacement of Eighth Road Bridge #6 Replacement of MacDonald Road Bridge #9	143,133	429,400
Northumberland, County of	Rehabilitation of Clapperton Bridge Replacement of the CN Overhead Bridge	205,333	616,000
Norwich, Township of	Replacement of Evergreen Street Bridge Replacement of Avery's Lane Bridge Rehabilitation of Rock's Mill Line Bridge Deck	600,876	1,802,629
Oakville, Town of	Replacement of Lower Wedgewood Creek Culvert on Wedgewood Drive Rehabilitation of Lower Wedgewood Creek Culvert on Lakeshore Road Replacement of Bronte Tributary Culvert	331,667	995,000
Oshawa, City of	Road Resurfacing of Conlin East Road Resurfacing of Conlin West Road Resurfacing of Ritson Street Road Resurfacing of Albert Street Road Resurfacing of Fisher Street	206,700	620,100
Otonabee-South Monaghan, Township of	Reconstruct Bridge #15 Reconstruct Bridge #20	173,333	520,000
Owen Sound, City of	Upgrading of the Wastewater system	1,120,833	3,362,500
Parry Sound, Town of	Upgrading of Parry Sound Wastewater Treatment Plant	5,341,472	16,024,415
Perry, Township of	Resurfacing of Roads	171,067	513,200
Perth, County of	Replacement of Linsman Culvert Replacement of Culvert #044022	104,567	313,700
Peterborough, County of	Rehabilitation of Gannons Narrow Bridge Rehabilitation of Chases Bridge	600,000	1,800,000
Pickering, City of	Rehabilitation of Bulmer Bridge (No. 18) Rehabilitation of Reesor Creek Bridge (No. 44)	199,305	597,916
Prescott & Russell, United Counties of	Rehabilitation of the J. Henri Séguin Bridge	447,231	1,341,692



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Prescott, Separated Town of	Upgrading of the Water Pollution Control Centre	4,805,883	14,417,650
Renfrew, County of	Replacement of Third Line Bridge Rehabilitation of Burnstown Bridge Rehabilitation of Stewartville Bridge	885,000	2,655,000
Rideau Lakes, Township of	Replacement of the Leggett Bridge	120,000	360,000
Sarnia, City of	Elimination of Combined Sewer Overflows to the St. Clair River	2,852,667	8,558,000
Saugeen Shores, Town of	Upgrading of the Saugeen Shores Water System	3,359,229	10,077,686
Sault Ste. Marie, City of	Installation of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition Systems for Water Pollution Control Plants and Sewage Pumping Stations Rehabilitation of Overflow Structures	1,226,667	3,680,000
Schreiber, Township of	Improvements to Isbester Drive	102,933	308,800
Seguin, Township of	Replacement of Tally Ho-Swords Road Culvert Replacement of Turtle Lake Road Bridge 7 Replacement of Turtle Lake Road Bridge 6	370,000	1,110,000
Severn, Township of	Upgrading of Coldwater Sewage Treatment Plant	1,066,666	3,200,000
Shuniah, Township of	Improvements to Lakeshore Drive	1,016,635	3,049,906
South Glengarry, Township of	Reconstruction of Tyotown Road	550,000	1,650,000
South Stormont, Township of	Replacement of Kennedy Bridge Replacement of Johnston Bridge Rehabilitation of Shaver Bridge	312,667	938,000
Southwest Middlesex, Municipality of	Extension of the Trunk Watermain and Construction of a Water Distribution System	1,327,721	3,983,164
Springwater, Township of	Rehabilitation of Finlay Road Bridge	110,000	330,000
St. Catharines, City of	Realignment of Glendale-Merritt Intersection Replacement of Watermain Replacement of Merritt Street Bridge Replacement of Sewermain	2,370,050	7,110,150
St. Clair, Township of	Upgrading of Courtright Sewage Treatment Plant	1,005,330	3,015,990
St. Thomas, City of	Reconstrurction of Wellington Street	375,380	1,126,140
Stone Mills, Township of	Replacement of the Bradshaw Bridge Replacement of the Adair Bridge	347,001	1,041,003
Strathroy-Caradoc, Township of	Replacement of the Strathroy-Caradoc Water Supply System	4,452,111	\$13,356,333



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Sudbury, City of Greater	Improvements to Kingsway Improvements to Municipal Road #80 Improvements to Falconbridge Road Improvements to Municipal Road #15 Improvements to Municipal Road# 90 at Conniston Creek Improvements to Elgin Street Box Culvert at Junction Creek Improvements to College Street Culvert at Nolin Creek	6,933,333	20,800,000
Tarbutt & Tarbutt Additional, Township of	Replacement of Government Road Bridge over Anderson Creek	70,000	210,000
Tecumseh, Town of	Improvements to Tecumseh Road Improvements to Manning Road	3,333,333	10,000,000
Temiskaming Shores, City of	Rehabilitation of Lakeshore Road Combined Infrastructure (Water & Wastewater)	972,900	2,918,700
Tillsonburg, Town of	Rehabilitation of Glendale Drive	83,333	250,000
Tyendinaga, Township of	Replacement of Murphy's Bridge	278,000	834,000
Wellesley, Township of	Reconstruction of Deborah Glaister Line Reconstruction of Ament Line Reconstruction of Maplewood Road Reconstruction of Herrgott Road	416,667	1,250,000
Wellington, County of	Rehabilitation of Barrie Hill Bridge	275,000	825,000
West Lincoln, Township of	Replacement of Caistor/Gainsborough Townline Road Bridge Replacement of Vaughan Road Culvert Replacement of Tober Road Bridge Replacement of Vaughan Road Culvert (2) Rehabilitation of Abingdon Road Culvert	321,667	965,000
West Nipissing, Municipality of	Separation of the West Nipissing Combined Sewer System	4,612,259	13,836,776
Whitby, Town of	Rehabilitation of Downtown Road Infrastructure	121,338	364,014
	Improvements to the Ross Recycling Depot and Composting Area	25,000	75,000
Wilmot, Township of	Reconstruction of Hincks Street	72,133	541,000
Number of Communities with Projects:	120	\$124,589,012	\$370,112,543

