



MINISTER
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Robert Hedley
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Dear Robert Hedley:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Town of Snow Lake Council resolution 302/21 requesting that Manitoba provide emergency funding to rebate water charges to residents in response to the Town's boil water advisory, and your application to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to the address the renewal and replacement of water and sewer lines.

Please note that Municipal Relations does not have the mandate to provide funding to municipalities to compensate residents in the event of boil water advisories. However, I am pleased to inform you that the Town of Snow Lake Water and Sewer Lines Renewal Phase III project has been approved to receive provincial funding as a Manitoba Water Services Board cost-shared project.

Project funding has been approved with a 60% provincial cost-share of up to \$3,710,400, and a 40% local share of \$2,473,600, based on an estimated total project cost of \$6,184,000. The Water Services Branch will provide project management services on behalf of the Town and the Manitoba Water Services Board (MWSB). Although there is no federal funding contribution as with the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), I trust that this approach will allow this project to move forward. As you are aware, there is significant demand for ICIP funding across the province, demonstrated by the volume of submissions received. Project submissions to ICIP far exceeded what can be supported under the program.

To initiate the project and move forward with this funding opportunity, please send a resolution of council requesting MWSB technical and financial assistance to Travis Parsons, General Manager at the Water Services Branch (Travis.Parsons2@gov.mb.ca) at your earliest convenience to enter into a cost-share agreement to complete the works.

We look forward to working together to accomplish this important project on behalf of the residents of the Town of Snow Lake.

Sincerely,



Honourable Derek Johnson
Minister

- c. Honourable Reg Helwer, Minister of Central Services
Travis Parsons, General Manager, Water Services Branch