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County Receives \$1.16 Million for Winfield Lagoon Upgrades

The Government of Alberta awarded \$1.16 million from the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership to the County of Wetaskiwin for Winfield lagoon upgrades. This funding will cover 75% of the total cost of upgrading the lagoon. The total cost of this project is estimated at \$1.54 million.

“The County of Wetaskiwin would like to thank the Honorable Devin Dreesen and the Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors for providing funding for the Winfield Lagoon upgrade project,” stated Reeve Josh Bishop. “This project will provide the residents of Winfield with a critical service upgrade and protect the environment from premature releases and ensure regulatory compliance. We appreciate the Government of Alberta's prioritization of this project.”



The current wastewater lagoon at Winfield has been in operation for approximately 15 years and needs upgrades to meet current operational and environmental requirements. Work involves cell rehabilitation, and the installation of an underdrain and liner. This upgrade will increase the capacity and treatment performance of the lagoon and reduce the need for emergency discharges during heavy rainfall events. The Winfield lagoon upgrade project will involve detailed design and tender preparation in 2023, with construction scheduled for 2024.

“Investments like this are vital to supporting the County’s Hamlet Revitalization Strategy by ensuring the sustainability of core services to Winfield residents. It is critical that our communities remain viable to serve the residents, industries and resource sectors operating in rural Alberta,” stated Reeve Bishop.

“The Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) is grateful for the recent investment in the Winfield lagoon. Dependable infrastructure in our communities enables resident and business confidence which leads to increased business investment, growth and the overall creation of new economic opportunities,” stated Joan Miller, Director of Economic Development.

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