
News Release

UPGRADES TO HWY 12 FROM HWY 312 TO WALDHEIM ACCESS ACCELERATED INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING CREATES JOBS IN SASK.

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, June 5, 2009 – Maurice Vellacott, MP, and Martensville MLA, Hon. Nancy Heppner, announced today that the governments of Canada and Saskatchewan have set aside \$2,500,000 toward upgrades to Highway 12 from the junction of Highway 312 to the Waldheim Access.

“Our Government is making smart investments that will inject additional capital into our economy and keep people working during these tough economic times while improving Saskatchewan’s infrastructure,” said Vellacott. “This infrastructure will contribute to our quality of life, as well as help to boost our regional economy now and for years to come.”

“We have one of the fastest growing constituencies in the province and our government continues to invest in this growth,” Martensville MLA Nancy Heppner said. “Upgrading Highway 12 will ensure the safety and growth for the communities and people that travel it everyday.”

The federal and provincial governments are accelerating infrastructure spending across Saskatchewan providing funding to provincial and municipal construction-ready projects. Including the past week, a total of 124 projects in Saskatchewan will receive federal funding worth \$173.9 million. With provincial and municipal contributions included, the overall investment grows to \$423.1 million. Projects being funded include several highway and local roads improvements, and wastewater initiatives in many communities across the province

Under its Economic Action Plan, the Government of Canada is allocating \$12 billion to infrastructure projects across the country. This is further complemented by an earlier commitment of \$33 billion to infrastructure.

Canada and Saskatchewan are working together to create jobs and boost the economy, while making significant investments that help communities improve their infrastructure. Both governments have agreed to work together to ensure that these funds are delivered quickly and efficiently.

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To learn more about Canada’s Economic Action Plan, visit www.actionplan.gc.ca.

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