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CANADA AND SASKATCHEWAN INVEST IN INFRASTRUCTURE

Redberry, Saskatchewan, Today MP Maurice Vellacott and MLA Randy Weekes, announced that the governments of Canada and Saskatchewan have set aside \$30,000 in funding for the Marshy Creek bridge replacement in Redberry, as well as \$645,177 in funding for a local road project in Redberry.

R.M. of Great Bend, SK, Today MP Maurice Vellacott and MLA Randy Weekes, also announced that the governments of Canada and Saskatchewan have set aside \$718,514 in funding for a local road project in the R.M. of Great Bend.

“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.”

“This money will provide a stimulus to our local economy while helping to improve the local roads and the Marshy Creek bridge in Redberry,” said Biggar MLA Randy Weekes. “Working together, the governments of Saskatchewan and Canada are investing in the infrastructure needed for the growth of our rural communities. This is also a fantastic investment for the RM of Great Bend,” said Biggar MLA Randy Weekes. The improvement of roads within this RM will ensure that residents have an improved quality of life and will boost the local economy.”

The new federal \$4-billion Infrastructure Stimulus Fund provides funding to provincial, territorial and municipal construction-ready infrastructure rehabilitation projects that will be built during this year’s and next year’s construction seasons. A total of 43 projects will receive a joint federal-provincial investment of close to \$23.2 million (\$12.6 million federal, \$10.6 million provincial) under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund. Projects being funded included improvements to local roads and water and wastewater initiatives in many communities across the province.

For provincial assets, the federal and provincial governments will each contribute up to fifty per cent of eligible costs. For municipal projects, the federal government will contribute up to one-third of eligible costs, with municipalities and the provincial government expected to contribute the remaining portion.

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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