Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut



Community Transportation Initiatives Program

2023-24

Introduction

The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut is pleased to present a summary of projects proposed and completed under the Community Transportation Initiatives Program in 2023-24.

The Community Transportation Initiatives Program provides financial contributions to Nunavut municipalities for the construction and maintenance of community access roads and marine facilities that connect communities to economic development opportunities and traditional livelihood activities. Typical activity areas may include recreational sites, camps, sites of special cultural importance, local resources and access to water or ice in support of fishing, hunting and tourism opportunities. The program budget for 2023-24 was $2,300,000, unchanged from 2022-23.

The program is application based, with funding allocated to communities based on the merit of the project proposals and level of community support. Funding decisions seek to maximize the total number of communities receiving contributions. Community involvement, local benefit, cost, and mitigation of potential environmental impacts are considered in the evaluation of proposals.

Nine (9) funding requests totaling $1,973,000 for Community Access Road projects were received from nine communities in 2023-24. The full $1,800,000 budget was allocated to all nine proposed projects. The total reported program expenditures for which project accounting has been received from municipal audited statements was $1,602,912.

The Community Transportation Initiatives Program also supports Community Marine Infrastructure with a budget of $500,000 in 2023-24 for minor marine infrastructure projects proposed by municipalities.

Proposal requests totaling $434,200 for Community Marine Infrastructure projects were received from three (3) communities in 2023-24. The requested amount was committed to the proposed projects in the three communities. Unfortunately, as detailed below, total eligible expenditures by the recipients were only $34,200.

Qikiqtaaluk Region Projects

In 2023-24, four (4) Qikiqtaaluk communities (Grise Fiord, Igloolik, Pond Inlet and Sanikiluaq) submitted proposals totaling $740,000 for access road and trail projects. All projects were approved for funding near the levels requested, for a total of $690,000.

The proposals were to rehabilitate or extend existing roads or trails.

Igloolik and Qikiqtarjuaq also submitted proposals to the Community Marine Infrastructure program and were approved for a total of $400,000.

Access Trails and Roads projects

Grise Fiord

Greenlander Road Maintenance – The hamlet was approved for a contribution of $55,000 for this project to maintain and improve the Greenlander Mountain access road.

Igloolik

Igloolik Point Road Upgrade – The hamlet was approved for a contribution of $190,000 to improve the Igloolik Point Road.

Pond Inlet

Taliruaqjuk Access Trail Continuation – The hamlet was approved for $275,000 to continue and complete the new access road.

Sanikiluaq

Access Road Upgrade – The hamlet was approved for $170,000 to upgrade an existing access road and create a new connection to the municipal road network.

Community Marine Infrastructure projects

Igloolik

Floating Dock and Sealift Beach – The hamlet was approved for $100,000 for maintenance and upgrades to the community's floating dock, as well as minor improvements to the community's sealift area. Unfortunately, none of this work was initiated.

Qikiqtarjuaq

Sealift Road and Laydown Area – A contribution of $300,000 was approved in connection with a larger, federally-funded project to build a new road to the DEW Line Beach sealift area, and to improve the laydown area. No eligible expenditures were made during the fiscal year, so the accountable advance was repayable.

Kivalliq Region Projects

In 2023-24, four (4) Kivalliq communities (Baker Lake, Chesterfield Inlet, Coral Harbour and Rankin Inlet) submitted proposals requesting $915,000 for access road projects. All projects were approved for a contribution to assist with their projects reflective of the total funding available under this program. The contributions approved totaled $860,000. The funding was used to extend existing roads/trails and maintain and repair existing access roads.

Rankin Inlet was the only Kivalliq community to request marine infrastructure funding this fiscal year.

Access Trails and Roads projects

Baker Lake

Prince River Access Road – The hamlet was approved for $190,000 to work on continuing the roadway toward the mouth of Prince River.

Chesterfield Inlet

Access Trail – The hamlet was approved for $225,000 for maintenance on existing access trails as well as permitting work for future quarry sites and river crossings.

Coral Harbour

Qikiqtaugalik Trail Continuation – The hamlet was approved for $225,000 to construct an additional 10 km of this access trail.

Rankin Inlet

Qajakuvik Access Trail Maintenance – The hamlet received a contribution of $220,000 to build up the base of a segment of the existing access road.

Community Marine Infrastructure projects

Rankin Inlet

Johnson's Cove Boat Launch – The hamlet was approved for a $34,200 contribution to build a new 15 by 30 foot concrete pad at the Johson's Cove boat launch.

Kitikmeot Region Projects

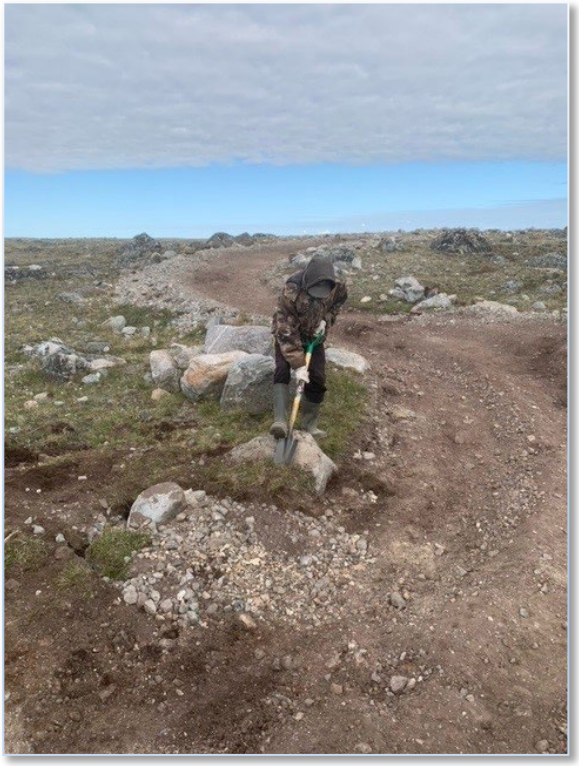
For the Kitikmeot region in 2023-24, only Taloyoak submitted a proposal requesting access trail funding. The hamlet requested $318,000 for maintenance to four access trails; funding was approved in the amount of $250,000.

No communities in the Kitikmeot region requested marine infrastructure funding in 2023-24.

Access Trails and Roads projects

Taloyoak

Access Trail Maintenance – The hamlet was approved for $250,000 for maintenance of the access trails serving Red Fish Lake, Middle Lake, Pangnikto Lake and Netsilik Lake.



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Access Road Projects

Community	Proposal Description	Approved	Expended
Baker Lake	Prince River Access Road	$190,000	$185,469
Chesterfield Inlet	Access Trail Maintenance and Planning	$225,000	$225,000
Coral Harbour	Qikiqtaugalik Trail Continuation	$225,000	$225,000
Grise Fiord	Greenlander Road Maintenance	$55,000	$44,000
Igloolik	Igloolik Point Road Upgrade	$190,000	$152,000
Pond Inlet	Taliruarjuk Access Trail Road Continuation	$275,000	$275,000
Rankin Inlet	Qajakuvik Access Trail Maintenance	$220,000	$220,000
Sanikiluaq	Access Road Upgrade	$170,000	$170,000
Taloyoak	Access Trail Maintenance (Red Fish Lake, Middle Lake, Pangnikto Lake & Netsilik Lake)	$250,000	$106,443
	TOTAL	**$1,800,000**	**$1,602,912**

Community Marine Infrastructure Projects

Community	Proposal Description	Approved	Expended
Igloolik	Maintenance and Upgrades to Floating Dock and Sealift Beach	$100,000	-
Qikiqtarjuaq	Sealift Road and Laydown Area	$300,000	-
Rankin Inlet	Johnson's Cove Boat Launch	$34,200	$34,200
	TOTAL	**$434,200**	**$34,200**