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Rural Programs Branch

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Donna White, Treasurer Township of North Huron PO Box 90, 274 Josephine Street Wingham, Ontario NOG 2W0 dwhite@northhuron.ca

Dear Donna White,

Re: Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) Top-Up Application Component – 2017 Intake

Thank you for your application under the 2017 OCIF Top-up Application Component.

I am writing to inform you that the selection process for the 2017 OCIF Top-Up Application Component intake is now complete. Applications were reviewed and assessed based on the criteria outlined in the program guidelines. Following a detailed review of the application and supporting materials you submitted, the Mill Street Trunk Storm Sewer Upgrade project was unfortunately not selected for funding. The ministry received hundreds of applications, and at this time, demand for the program exceeds available funding. While this project was not selected for funding under this intake, your municipality will be receiving \$854,287 in formula-based funding from 2018 to 2020 to put towards important local infrastructure projects.

We used an evidence-based approach and relied on the advice of a multi-ministry review team in the assessment process. Projects were assessed primarily on health and safety criticality, as well as demonstrated financial need and completeness of asset management plans.

Staff are available to provide additional details on your project's assessment, including a summary of how your project was assessed and areas of focus that may strengthen future applications. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Project Analyst, Mary Wyga, via email Mary.Wyga@ontario.ca or by calling (519) 826-4943 or 1-877-424-1300.





Ontario is committed to helping small, rural and northern communities address critical infrastructure challenges. This commitment includes increasing the formula-based funding under OCIF to \$200 million per year by 2019 and making approximately \$100 million per year available for annual application intakes.

The 2018 OCIF Top-up Application Component intake is expected to launch this spring. We will be in contact with eligible applicants prior to the launch to provide application submission information.

Thank you for your interest in the OCIF Top-up Application Component.

Sincerely,

Joel Locklin

Manager, Infrastructure Renewal Programs