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BANCROFT IMPROVES WASTEWATER TREATMENT, PROTECTS ENVIRONMENT

Bancroft, Ontario — Government representatives joined staff from the Town of Bancroft and community members today to celebrate the completion of upgrades to the Bancroft Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Work to upgrade the plant included adding a backup power system, a laboratory, integrated aerobic digestion facility, and a septage receiving station. As a result of the project, residents in Bancroft will benefit from a safer waste water treatment system and a cleaner environment for years to come. The governments of Canada and Ontario each contributed up to \$3,219,167 toward the project. The Town of Bancroft contributed the balance of the total eligible project costs of up to \$9,657,500.

"Our government is proud to help build better and safer infrastructure in our communities, such as these wastewater treatment upgrades, which benefit residents and the local environment," said Daryl Kramp, Member of Parliament for Prince Edward-Hastings. "Projects like this help stimulate local economic activity, while also helping our communities remain sustainable in the long-term."

"Our government is making strategic infrastructure investments that are strengthening our communities, stimulating the economy and creating jobs for Ontario families," said the Honourable Bob Chiarelli, Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation. "Work to modernize this treatment facility created up to 16 jobs in the community and will give residents of Bancroft a healthy and environmentally sustainable waste water system."

"The Town of Bancroft is pleased to see the completion of this much needed expansion to our waste water treatment facility," said Bernice Jenkins, Mayor of the Town of Bancroft. "We would like to extend our thanks to the senior levels of governments for supporting our community at this time and to accommodate future growth."

Under the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund, the governments of Canada and Ontario worked together with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and local partners to respond to local needs through infrastructure upgrades providing clean, safe drinking water, better sewage systems, improved waste management processes, safer local roads and bridges, as well as other health and safety priorities.

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