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## PROJECT UPDATE

### PROVINCIAL FUNDING BOOST

Over the past several years, the North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project has faced escalating construction costs. Wildfires and flooding, supply chain disruptions and inflation have impacted the cost of materials, labour and fuel. To cover the increased costs, the project team sought out additional funding to bring an affordable, fiscally responsible community wastewater system to the North Okanagan.

In June 2023, the Regional District of North Okanagan received \$9.5 million from the Province of BC to expand community sewer services to sections of Electoral Areas B and C that rely on septic systems. This additional funding will enable work to resume on the NOWRP, with construction anticipated to start in Spring 2024.



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The funding received from the provincial government is a significant investment in the future of our region. The North Okanagan Wastewater Recovery Project is a critical initiative that will help protect our environment, promote sustainability and support the economic growth of our communities.

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Kevin Acton, Chair, Regional District of North Okanagan

### SEEKING PRICING FROM CONTRACTORS

Now that additional funding has been secured, the next step in the process is to select a contractor for the construction of the wastewater collection system. A request for proposal has been issued, and it is anticipated that a contractor will be selected by early 2024.

## STAY IN THE LOOP!

For more information and to sign up for project updates, visit the new [Wastewater Recovery Project website](http://www.northokanaganwastewater.ca).



## ENVIRONMENTAL & ARCHAEOLOGICAL TESTING COMPLETE

Over the past several months, the project team completed environmental and archaeological testing on the project site. The testing confirmed that construction work can begin without causing negative environmental or archaeological impacts on the project site.



### QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Submit any questions through the online [form](#) or call 778-738-4097



## WHAT'S NEXT?

Our anticipated construction start is the Spring of 2024.

WE ARE  
HERE

1 LAUNCH

2 DESIGN

3 CONSTRUCT

4 OPERATE

### HERE'S WHAT'S NEXT:

- Select a contractor (early 2024)
- Host community information sessions (Spring 2024)
- Begin construction (Spring 2024)

Community information sessions will be held in **Spring 2024** to provide homeowners and business owners with more information about the project status and connection to the system. Stay tuned for more details by signing up for project updates.

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