

## Backgrounder

### Communities in the Northwest Territories to benefit from improved critical community and recreational infrastructure

Joint federal and community funding through the Community, Culture and Recreation Stream (CCRIS) of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF), and the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) will support ten infrastructure projects across the Northwest Territories.

The Government of Canada is investing \$4,517,848 through the CCRIS for nine recreational infrastructure projects, and an additional \$80,000 through the CCBF, for the Nahanni Butte Performance stage project. Local communities are contributing over \$1.4 million in total for these projects.

Through the DMAF, the Government of Canada is investing \$19,985,264 to improve community resilience to and to better mitigate the impacts of wildfires across the territory.

#### *Projects information:*

Location	Project Name	Project Details	Federal Funding	Recipient Funding
Northwest Territories	Building resilience to wildfire in 29 communities in the Northwest Territories	Funding will support the creation of fire breaks and fuel reduction strategies to better improve community protection from wildfires and help build resilience in the face of increasing natural disasters.	\$19,985,264	-
Fort Smith	Fort Smith Riverside Park and Lookout Update	The scope of this project includes the renewal of the Slave River lookout platform and further development of the snowboard/sliding hill by installing a lift, lighting, and a permanent storage building with public washrooms, a warming room and a community fire pit.	\$738,750	\$246,250
Gamèti	Gamèti N'aowo	This project involves expanding the existing cultural camp in Gamèti by constructing four tent pads, four (5-person) cabins, three kilometres of recreational trails, and widening the existing cultural camp road and trail.	\$300,000	\$100,000
Hay River	Hay River Metis Trades, Cultural and Traditional Learning Facility	Funding for this project will support the construction of a 4,800 square-foot community facility that will support training opportunities and deliver a variety of traditional and cultural skills development programs. It	\$675,000	\$225,000

		will also promote inter-generational sharing of traditional activities.		
Inuvik	Gwich'in Camp Ventilation System Upgrade	The scope of the project includes the installation of a ventilation system that uses sensors to measure the need for fresh air and automatically delivers the amount of required air to help reduce cost and improve the facility's sustainability.	\$46,575	\$15,525
Kakisa	Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation Community Hall Green Space Gathering Area	Upgrades to the Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation Community Hall will include the expansion of the gravel parking lot, the addition of viewing platforms, and the development of a picnic area.	\$117,145	\$39,049
Nahanni Butte	Nahanni Butte Performance Stage	Project funding will support the development of a modern stage for live performances that will be equipped with performance instruments and sound boxes for stage shows and recreational activities.	\$317,000*	-
Paulatuk, Hamlet of	Paulatuk Community Hall	Funding will support the design and construction of a community hall for cultural gatherings which will have capacity for 150 people.	\$2,268,378	\$781,622
Tsiigehtchic	Tsiigehtchic Wellness Camp Remodel	The scope of this project involves the rehabilitation and upgrade of the current wellness camp by converting three existing canvas tent frames into solid wood built structures.	\$22,500	\$7,500
Yellowknives Dene First Nation	YKDFN Cultural Spaces Development Phase 1	Funding will support the study and functional design of cultural spaces, including access to and development of culturally significant sites, outdoor gathering areas, and the upgrade of the Dettah Old Cemetery.	\$112,500	\$37,500

\*Aggregated amount. Funding amounts break down to \$237,000 through the Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure Stream and \$80,000 through the Canada Community-Building Fund.