

city of

Wetaskiwin

PRESS RELEASE

Wetaskiwin receives \$1.5 million from province for asphalt overlays

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(Wetaskiwin, Alberta) - The City of Wetaskiwin has received \$1,504,288 from the province's Municipal Stimulus Program to help cover the cost of asphalt overlays.

The Municipal Stimulus Program helps position communities to support local jobs and participate in future economic growth. The City of Wetaskiwin's infrastructure deficit is extensive, and asphalt overlays are an area that the City is behind industry best practice for rehabilitation. This money was directed toward the asphalt overlays project, which would not have been completed in 2020 if not for this provincial funding.

"We know that our roads need all the help they can get," said Wetaskiwin Mayor Tyler Gandam. "Receiving extra funding to help address these issues will help us catch up on the required work that we will continue to fix as we are able."

The Municipal Stimulus Program distributed \$500 million to municipalities and Metis settlements. Funding was distributed on a per capita basis with a \$50,000 minimum funding amount for municipalities with smaller populations.

Quick Facts:

- The Government of Alberta provides additional capital infrastructure funding to municipalities and Metis Settlements through the Municipal Stimulus Program (MSP) to position communities to participate in future economic growth, and reduce municipal red tape to promote job-creating private sector investment. Eligible project categories include roads, bridges, water and wastewater systems, public transit, and recreation.
- The City of Wetaskiwin has received over \$20 million in grant funding throughout 2020. [Find out more here.](#)

About the City of Wetaskiwin

Wetaskiwin is a secure, connected, and inclusive community home to a diverse population of 12,655 people. Located only 30 minutes south of the Edmonton International Airport, the City of Wetaskiwin provides a high quality of life through ample recreation opportunities, diverse cultural activities, and a modernized, business-friendly downtown.

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