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**City Reviews Capital Plans for Federal Funding Opportunities**

With the federal budget announcement of \$12 billion available for infrastructure funding over the next two years, Campbell River City Council intends to pursue all available opportunities.

*“In light of the changing and challenging economic times we expect to experience, we’ve asked staff to review all capital works plans and make sure we’re applying for our fair share of funding from both provincial and federal government sources,”* confirms Mayor Charlie Cornfield.

Through the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, local governments in BC have been making the case that there is an infrastructure gap in our communities that requires greater involvement of senior levels of government.

*“We have pressed for new and accelerated infrastructure programs, funding for recreation infrastructure and money for social housing,”* says the Mayor.

*“Working in conjunction with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, in the coming days and weeks, we will focus our efforts to ensure that the promised infrastructure funding flows through to our local government as soon as possible,”* he adds.

*“The federal budget assures us that infrastructure programs will be structured to ‘get shovels in the ground quickly,’ and we look forward to acting quickly to counter economic challenges,”* Mayor Cornfield concludes.

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