



GPSG Welcome New Members

The Growth and Prosperity Stakeholder Group has welcomed new members Norfolk Treherne-Rathwell Natural Gas Group to represent the interests of potential customers in the that area. They have garnered support from the Municipality of Norfolk Treherne to continue on with the Project and will be considering options for collecting their requested contribution towards the South Central Natural Gas Project.

Preparing Application to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program

The GPSG is eager to continue moving forward with this Project as the call for applications for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Fund has recently opened. The South Central Natural Gas Project aligns with the Rural and Northern Infrastructure Stream outcome of providing more reliable and efficient energy. This Project would extend the natural gas distribution network from the TransCanada pipeline to the Municipalities of Norfolk Treherne, Glenboro South Cypress, Lorne, Louise, and RMs of Victoria and Thompson. Adding 430 kms of pipeline and providing service to over 2,300 new customers including public facilities, residential, commercial businesses, and farms in 13 communities and surrounding rural areas. This will provide efficient and reliable energy while replacing 5,445 tonnes of coal and 4.2 million liters of propane annually. Diversifying energy options reduces the effect of power outages; while transportation of natural gas through a pipeline is less prone to inclement weather and improves

traffic safety and decreases wear and tear on roads. Natural gas provides affordability with projected cost savings of \$3.7 million annually with expectations that lower energy costs will positively impact growing and retaining businesses in the agricultural and manufacturing sectors and public facilities, leading to increased tax revenue and jobs for local communities, the Province and across Canada. Out of the total \$49.5 million required the GPSG is requesting \$36.3 million from Federal and Provincial funding.

Do you have plans for using natural gas or expanding your business if natural gas became available in this area? The Province needs to hear this message. Please submit a letter of support to strengthen our application. Email manager.gpsg@gmail.com

Next Steps for the South Central Natural Gas Project

Once the majority of the funding is confirmed, further details on planning and engineered designs can be completed.



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