



# News Release

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## Supporting water treatment infrastructure in Nunavut

**Clyde River, Nunavut (May 23, 2024)** – The Government of Canada is investing \$2 million for critical improvements to drinking water treatment facilities in Nunavut. This was announced by Minister Dan Vandal and Nunavut's Community and Government Services Minister David Joanasié.

The funding will be used to develop proposals for upgrading the drinking water treatment facilities in Clyde River, Coral Harbour, and Igloolik. Part of this will be studies on design options, cost estimates, and technical aspects.

Additionally, the design and construction phases for upgrades to drinking water treatment facilities in Arctic Bay, Grise Fiord, Pond Inlet, Rankin Inlet, and Sanikiluaq can now begin, following the completion of an additional planning phase project. This project received a joint investment from the federal and territorial governments.

"Investing in infrastructure is key to improving northerners' quality of life and positioning Nunavut communities for growth. These crucial planning projects will lay the groundwork for improving the quality and accessibility of drinking water for Nunavummiut. We will continue to support projects that ensure the health and well-being of Nunavummiut for generations to come."

*- The Honourable Dan Vandal, Minister of Northern Affairs, PrairiesCan and CanNor, on behalf of the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities*

"This investment into critical planning projects contributes greatly to our goal of enhancing the drinking water infrastructure in Northern communities, and is a key step towards ensuring that Nunavummiut have access to safe and reliable community water sources. This is a significant contribution in our efforts towards creating a stronger and healthier Nunavut."

- *Government of Nunavut, Minister of Community and Government Services, David Joanasie*

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