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## Brampton to Receive Funding for a New Innovative Stormwater Project

Brampton, Ontario, March 13, 2018— Ms. Ruby Sahota, Member of Parliament for Brampton North is proud of our government's investments in innovative green infrastructure projects that contribute to a clean growth economy and strengthen the middle class by ensuring communities are healthy and sustainable places to live. That's why the Government of Canada is partnering with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities—and municipalities such as Peel Region—to help achieve these national objectives.

Today, MP Sahota, on behalf of the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, highlighted more than \$925,000 in funding for an important stormwater project in Brampton. This project is supported by the Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program (MCIP). The program will be delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada.

Thanks to this funding, residents of Brampton will soon benefit from Mississauga Road Low Impact Development Stormwater Project, which has the potential to reduce vulnerability of new or existing municipal assets to climate change impacts such as flooding and increased instream water temperature by using LID as an approach that considers upstream solutions before end of pipe actions. The Region of Peel, with support from Credit Valley Conservation (CVC), will be retrofitting the storm drainage system for Mississauga Road, a six lane regional road, located between Queen Street and Williams Parkway to include a bioswale infiltration and filtration system, a Low Impact Development (LID) practice.

This project is part of the 68 initiatives that have been approved in communities across Canada for funding amounting to just over \$3.7 million and announced on March 13, 2018.

Improving Canada's infrastructure lays – in large part – in the hands of the municipalities. Communities across the country want to be sure they are investing their infrastructure money wisely, and that they are aware of and ready to adapt to the potential effects of climate change as

OTTAWA Room 513 Justice Building Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6 Tel: (613) 995-4843 Fax: (613) 995-7003 they make local infrastructure investment decisions. The projects announced today demonstrate the work being done on these fronts in municipalities large and small.

## **Quotes**

"Through this investment, Brampton will be able to plan, build and maintain its infrastructure more strategically. Investments in green infrastructure projects, like the one announced today, help build healthy, liveable, cleaner, and more sustainable communities now and for future generations."

Ruby Sahota, Member of Parliament for Brampton North

"It's exciting to see so many municipalities—big and small—stepping up to do things differently. All three programs behind today's announcement are helping communities do just that and learn from each other along the way. We are proud to fund these initiatives and know that local action in communities across Canada is driving change on a national scale. Together, we're making real progress toward Canada's climate and sustainability goals."

Jenny Gerbasi, FCM President

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