



**Melville celebrates construction underway of its \$14 million wastewater project
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Today, the City of Melville celebrated the early stages of construction of its more than \$14 million wastewater project.

Construction on the Wastewater Treatment System Expansion project began in early June. Work involves construction of new wastewater cells, including the conversion of an existing borrow pit into a new cell. The borrow pit was previously used to extract clay material that was utilized in various projects throughout the City. Work also includes construction of an aerated moving bed bioreactor (MBBR) and a pump station, along with associated works. The MBBR is a biological sewage treatment process that uses micro-organisms to break down sewage. The project is targeted to be completed by in 2023. The contractor for the project is PME Inc.

Once completed, the expansion project will benefit Melville residents by increasing wastewater storage capacity. That increased capacity will help better protect the environment, accommodate surrounding rural and small urban municipalities to safely dispose of their effluent, and position the City of Melville for growth.

Under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, the Government of Canada will contribute up to \$4,320,560 toward the project and the Government of Saskatchewan will contribute up to \$3,600,107. The City of Melville is funding the remainder of the project.

“Reliable and efficient wastewater treatment protects people and the environment. The expansion of the Melville wastewater treatment system will help improve the well-being of residents and support sustainable growth in the region for years to come. Our Government will continue to work with our provincial and municipal partners to build resilient communities,” said the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities.

“The Government of Saskatchewan is proud to invest more than \$3.6 million to support Melville’s important wastewater project. Our provincial government continues to invest in infrastructure to help build better communities, enhance quality of life and continue positioning Saskatchewan for growth in this new decade – and beyond,” said Mr. Warren Kaeding, Melville-Saltcoats MLA, on behalf of the Hon. Don McMorris, Saskatchewan’s Minister of Government Relations.



“It is with great appreciation that the City of Melville acknowledges the receipt of federal-provincial support to help fund our Wastewater Treatment System Expansion Project. This project will benefit our community and surrounding area by positioning our city for growth, as this completed infrastructure will help attract new businesses, new industries and new residents for years to come,” said His Worship Walter Streelasky, Mayor of the City of Melville.

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