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Partnerships BC to operate as Infrastructure BC with expanded mandate

Vancouver, BC - Partnerships BC is announcing today that the organization will now operate as Infrastructure BC, which better reflects the services provided by the Crown Corporation.

“As we build and recover from COVID-19, our government is committed to getting British Columbians back to work with good paying jobs in the construction industry,” said Selina Robinson, Minister of Finance. “In Budget 2020, we committed \$22.9 billion in infrastructure spending, the highest capital spending in B.C.’s history. Infrastructure is a big part of our plan to keep B.C. moving ahead – building schools, hospitals, roads and more affordable housing that our growing province needs – and into recovery.”

“Infrastructure BC is the provincial centre of expertise supporting the planning, procurement and implementation of public infrastructure projects,” explains Dana Hayden, Infrastructure BC Board Chair.

Operating since 2002, working with owners, the crown agency has led 61 completed project procurements throughout Canada with a value of \$21.4 billion.

Through Infrastructure BC, government will begin to provide information about approved projects, as well as those under consideration – including those in early stages of planning that may not receive government approval. This will come in the form of an information brochure updated each year in spring and fall, which will allow private sector firms to better plan and compete on projects.

“The construction environment of today requires a broad spectrum of procurement options. Infrastructure BC will assist government and project owners in selecting the best delivery model to build complex projects such as highways, bridges, schools, and hospitals,” states Mark Liedemann, Infrastructure BC President and CEO.

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Quick Facts:

- Infrastructure BC services include project planning, including procurement analysis (through Concept Plans and Business Cases), procurement management, design and construction oversight, contract administration, and project communications support.
- Infrastructure BC is a self-sustaining organization operating on a fee for service basis, governed by a Board of Directors and reports to the Minister of Finance as its sole shareholder.
- Infrastructure BC is currently managing nine projects in procurement. The delivery models for these projects include Progressive Design Build, Design Build, and Construction Management.

BACKGROUNDERS – Completed/Active Procurement Projects

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