



March 25, 2020

Ref: 218732

To: Secretary-Treasurer and Superintendent
School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)

Capital Plan Bylaw No. 2020/21-CPSD08-02

Re: Amendment to Ministry Response to the Annual Five-Year Capital Plan Submission for
2020/21

This is an amendment to the letter sent on March 5, 2020 (Ref: 218161) in response to your School District's 2020/21 Annual Five-Year Capital Plan submission, submitted to the Ministry prior to June 30, 2019, and provides direction for advancing supported and approved capital projects.

This amendment changes your Blewett Elementary School (Blewett) expansion project approval as reflected in the MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS table below. Blewett has not been approved to continue to business case development as the project does not meet the Ministry's priorities for capital investment. Specifically, based on the 10-year enrolment projections provided by the School District, the Ministry now recognizes that the school's existing capacity meets the requirement for current and future enrolment and has made the decision to remove support for this project.

The Ministry has reviewed all 60 school districts' Annual Five-Year Capital Plan submissions to determine priorities for available capital funding in the following programs:

- Seismic Mitigation Program (SMP)
- Expansion Program (EXP)
- Replacement Program (REP)
- Site Acquisition Program (SAP)
- Rural District Program (RDP)
- School Enhancement Program (SEP)
- Carbon Neutral Capital Program (CNCP)
- Building Envelope Program (BEP)
- Playground Equipment Program (PEP)
- Bus Acquisition Program (BUS)

Below you will see the major capital projects supported to proceed with Concept Plans* as well as minor capital projects from the Ministry's 2020/21 annual capital programs that are approved for funding and are able to proceed to procurement.

*Concept Plan approval is a new step required before a Project Definition Report (PDR) will be supported. Your respective Regional Director or Planning Officer will provide you with more information if you have major capital project supported to proceed to a Concept Plan.

MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS (SMP, EXP)

There are no new major capital projects supported to proceed to concept plan or business case.

PDRs Past Due

| Project # | Project Name | Project Type | Original Due Date | Next Steps |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 127791 | Blewett Elementary | Addition | January 15, 2020 | Submit draft PDR as soon as possible |

Note: This amendment removes support for the Blewett expansion project approval.

MINOR CAPITAL PROJECTS (SEP, CNCP, BEP, PEP, BUS)

New projects for SEP, CNCP, BEP, PEP

| Facility Name | Program Project Description | Amount Funded by Ministry | Next Steps & Timing |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|
| Mount Sentinel Secondary | CNCP - HVAC - Mechanical upgrade | \$244,000 | Proceed to design, tender and construction. Project is to be completed by March 31, 2021. |
| South Nelson Elementary | SEP - Mechanical Upgrades - HVAC upgrades | \$850,000 | Proceed to design, tender and construction. Project is to be completed by March 31, 2021. |
| Trafalgar Middle | SEP - Electrical Upgrades - Electrical System upgrades | \$400,000 | Proceed to design, tender and construction. Project is to be completed by March 31, 2021. |

New projects for BUS

| Existing Bus Fleet # | New Bus Type | Amount Funded by Ministry | Next Steps & Timing |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| A3083 | C (70-75) with 0 wheelchair spaces | \$140,544 | Proceed to ordering the school bus(es) between March 4, 2020 and May 4, 2020 from the list of approved vendors available through the Bus Standing Offer portal on the ASTSBC website at http://www.astsbcc.org |

Note: An Annual Programs Funding Agreement (APFA) accompanies this Capital Plan Response Letter which outlines specific Ministry and Board related obligations associated with the approved Minor Capital Projects for the 2020/21 fiscal year as listed above.

In accordance with Section 143 of the *School Act*, Boards of Education are required to adopt a single Capital Bylaw (using the Capital Plan Bylaw No. provided at the beginning of this document) for its approved 2020/21 Five-Year Capital Plan as identified in this Capital Plan Response Letter. For additional information, please visit the Capital Bylaw website at:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/capital/planning/capital-bylaws>

The Capital Bylaw and the APFA must be signed, dated and emailed to Ministry Planning Officer Ravnit Aujla at Ravnit.Aujla@gov.bc.ca as soon as possible. Upon receipt the Ministry will issue Certificates of Approvals as defined in the APFA.

With the 2020/21 Capital Plan process now complete, the Capital Plan Instructions for the upcoming 2021/22 Annual Five-Year Capital Plan submission process (with supplementary intake spreadsheets) will be provided within the next few weeks. These plans are to be submitted to the Ministry no later than June 30, 2020.

Please contact your respective Regional Director or Planning Officer as per the [Capital Management Branch Contact List](#) with any questions regarding this Capital Plan Response Letter or the Ministry's capital plan process.

Sincerely,



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