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### **\$2.3 MILLION TO PAVE LOCAL ROADS IN TAYLOR**

TAYLOR – Residents of Taylor will benefit from joint federal and provincial funding of \$2.3 million to pave local roads, Prince George-Peace River MP Jay Hill and Peace River South MLA Blair Lekstrom announced today. This project is just one example of the commitment of both governments to strengthening the British Columbia economy by reducing red tape, creating jobs, and getting shovels in the ground sooner.

“This shows our commitment to working with all levels of government to support community development, accelerate infrastructure investments and improve the quality of life for the residents of Taylor,” said Hill.

“It is great to see three levels of government working together to pave our local roads in Taylor,” said Lekstrom. “This project will not only help with easier, safer access around the municipality, it will help us by creating jobs.”

This project will see a number of local gravel roads upgraded to basic paved municipal standards, with asphalt surfaces and sidewalks. Local transportation will be improved, as will access to local facilities and services.

The project is expected to create approximately 35 jobs, at a time when the need for economic stimulus is greatest.

The governments of Canada and British Columbia will each invest up to \$1,185,333 in the project. The District of Taylor will contribute the balance of the remaining project costs.

“I’d like to thank both levels of government for their contributions to upgrading the basic infrastructure in Taylor,” said District of Taylor Mayor Fred Jarvis. “The benefits to the project will be threefold. It will be the catalyst to regenerate interest in the community, promote the health and well-being of our children and seniors by providing a safe walking environment throughout the community, and reduce the particulate levels that were being generated by traffic on gravel roads.”

This project is one of 41 projects across the province that will break ground quickly thanks to a joint federal-provincial investment of \$110 million. Together with local government contributions, the total investment in local infrastructure improvements in British Columbia during this first intake exceeds \$175 million. The governments of Canada and British Columbia have taken steps to get shovels in the ground and to flow money faster for targeted infrastructure projects in British Columbia communities in the 2009 and 2010 construction seasons.

For more information on the Building Canada plan, visit [www.buildingcanada.gc.ca](http://www.buildingcanada.gc.ca) or [www.bcbuildingcanadafundcommunities.ca/](http://www.bcbuildingcanadafundcommunities.ca/)

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