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**To:** Minister of Infrastructure

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Dear Sir/Madam:

I am pleased to provide you with an important update on the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF): the federal government has recently advised of **the elimination of the 60 per cent expenditure constraint and for a program-wide extension until March 31, 2020.**

These changes arise from the work we have done together to ensure the federal government was aware of the need for flexibility in the timelines and expenditure requirements under the CWWF program. Based on feedback provided by municipalities across Ontario, and that provided by my colleagues across the country, on September 20, 2017 I wrote the federal government on behalf of all provinces and territories outlining the challenges of the federal timelines and expenditure requirement. I also raised these issues in discussions I recently held with Minister Sohi at the Ontario-Canada Ministers' meeting on December 8, 2017. I am pleased that by working together, we were able to collaborate with the federal government and achieve this outcome.

Now, with over 1,360 projects approved in Ontario, and over 30 per cent of projects confirmed to be underway, Ontario's municipalities and First Nations are well placed to benefit from water, wastewater and stormwater capital works improvements in their communities.

I would also like to note the importance of the program reporting requirements, as the federal government has made timely reporting a condition of the program extension, building on the existing requirements. The CWWF Team at Infrastructure Ontario will be reaching out to you shortly to identify the necessary reporting and associated deadlines, and are available to provide any assistance you require in completing your reporting requirements.

Should you have any questions, please contact the CWWF Team at Infrastructure Ontario at 1-844-803-8856 or email [CWWF@infrastructureontario.ca](mailto:CWWF@infrastructureontario.ca).

I look forward to continuing to work together as you implement these important projects across Ontario.

Sincerely,

Bob Chiarelli  
Minister