
News Release

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA INVESTS TO STRENGTHEN LOCAL ECONOMY AND CREATE JOBS

DRYDEN, Ontario, June 25, 2010 — Greg Rickford, the Member of Parliament for Kenora, on behalf of the Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Industry and Minister responsible for FedNor, today announced that the Government of Canada is investing \$135,511 in the City of Dryden to assist with infrastructure costs associated with hosting the 2010 Canadian Masters Windsurfing Championships.

“This funding clearly demonstrates how our government is making strategic investments to benefit the residents of the Dryden region today and for years to come,” said MP Rickford. “By providing the city with the tools it needs to host major events such as the 2010 Canadian Masters Windsurfing Championships, we are helping residents take charge of their economic development future.”

The announcement made today through FedNor’s Northern Ontario Development Program complements measures in Canada’s Economic Action Plan to help communities overcome the challenges brought on by the global economic downturn. Initiatives such as the Community Adjustment Fund and Infrastructure Stimulus Fund are important tools in the Government of Canada’s strategy to revitalize the economy of Northern Ontario.

“Our government is committed to getting things done for Canadians by strengthening the local economy, creating jobs and providing greater opportunities for small business owners and entrepreneurs,” said Minister Clement. “Investing in tourism projects such as this one is just another example of how our economic development efforts are benefiting the businesses and families of Dryden and the surrounding areas.”

FedNor funding will help with among other things, the purchase of a leader board, bleachers and festival tent, enabling the municipality to host national and international events.

“The City of Dryden is excited and pleased to receive FedNor’s support for this outstanding Canadian Masters Windsurfing Championships,” said Anne Krassilowsky, Mayor of Dryden. “In partnership with the Northwest Ontario Windsurfing Association, we look forward to hosting one of the largest spectator events in the region. The three-day event will attract many visitors to our community, enhancing tourism and local business.”

By supporting people, communities and business through its programs and services, FedNor is opening doors and building futures for a prosperous Northern Ontario.

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