

Councillor Request Inquiry # 115

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Honourable Brian Mason
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Dear Minister Mason,

Re: Regional Transportation Priorities

Thank you for your letter dated July 4, 2016 outlining your department's continued support for the Capital Region Board's Regional Transportation Prioritization reports. These reports are but one example of the Board's many types of collaborative efforts that serve to streamline the relationship and communication between the Region's 24 municipalities and the Province.

The funding and construction of these priorities is key to fulfilling the goals and objectives of the Capital Region Growth Plan, which benefits not only the economy and the lifestyle of the residents of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region but also the wellbeing of Albertans through efficient movement of people, goods and services.

In this regard, your letter did identify a number of priority projects ready for construction that are receiving provincial funding through Budget 2016 and the Capital Plan. For this support we are genuinely appreciative.

As you can imagine there is a lot more work to do and this is reflected in the other priority lists in the report, attached here: Table 3.3 *Projects Ready for Design - Roadway*, Table 3.4 *Projects Ready for Design - Transit* and Table 3.5 *Projects Ready for Functional Planning or Study*. To that end, this is to request an update on the status of the priority projects not included in Budget 2016 and the Capital Plan, as well as the status of the priorities on the two other lists – these are the projects that lay the foundation for a truly integrated and sustainable region.

On behalf of the Capital Region Board, I thank you for your continued support in seeing through to fruition our work in establishing a regional transportation network, ensuring the ongoing success and prosperity of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region, for all Albertans.

Sincerely,

Nolan Crouse
Chair, Capital Region Board

Encl: *Tables 3.3, 3.4, 3.5: 2016 Regional Transportation Prioritization Report*

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Table 3.3: Projects Ready for Design - Roadway

| Rank | Project Name | Project Type | Score | # |
|------|--|--------------------------------|-------|------|
| 1 | QE2/65 Avenue (Leduc) Interchange & Arterial | Interchange | 176 | S4 |
| 2 | Nisku Spine Road (Twp Rd 510 to 25 Ave) | New Link | 158 | S5A |
| 2 | Nisku Spine Road (25 Ave to Highway 625) | New Link | 158 | S5B |
| 4 | 50 Street (Ellerslie Road to 41 Avenue SW) | Widening | 124 | S6 |
| 5 | Yellowhead Trail (156 Street to St Albert Trail) | Upgrade to Free Flow | 120 | C4 |
| 5 | Yellowhead Trail (50 Street to 97 Street) | Upgrade to Free Flow | 120 | C5 |
| 5 | Yellowhead Trail (Victoria Trail to 50 Street) | Widening | 120 | C6 |
| 8 | Ray Gibbon Drive (Anthony Henday to Villeneuve Road) | Twinning | 107 | C9 |
| 9 | Anthony Henday Drive (SW River Xing to QE2) | Widening | 99 | C20 |
| 10 | Highway 28A (Highway 15 to Highway 28) | Twinning | 96 | NE3 |
| 10 | St. Albert Trail - Boudreau Rd and Hebert Intersections | Intersection upgrades | 96 | NW7 |
| 12 | Terwillegar Drive (Whitemud Drive to Anthony Henday Drive) | Upgrade to Free Flow | 91 | C17 |
| 13 | Highway 625 (Nisku to Range Road 241 Beaumont) | Twinning | 84 | S7 |
| 14 | Fort Road (Yellowhead Trail to 66 St) | Widening/Intersection Upgrades | 81 | C16 |
| 15 | QE2 Highway Widening on Southbound Dir to Highway 19 | Widening; Add Southbound Lane | 76 | S16 |
| 16 | Highway 15 (Manning Dr.) near Meridian Street | Interchange | 74 | NE10 |
| 17 | Highway 625 (Range Road 241 to Highway 21) | Twinning | 74 | S12 |
| 17 | 170 Street (Ambleside Dr to 41 Avenue SW) | Widening | 74 | C14 |
| 17 | Highway 628 (Highway 60 to Highway 779) | Reconstruct and Surface | 74 | W3 |
| 20 | 41 Ave (127 St to 170 St) | Upgrade existing road | 73 | S20 |
| 21 | 41 Ave (91 St to 50 St) | Upgrade existing road | 73 | S21 |
| 22 | Nisku Spine Road (Allard Ave to 65 Ave) | Upgrade existing road | 72 | S3B |
| 23 | Anthony Henday Drive (50 St. Northeast Overpass) | Interchange | 66 | C18 |
| 23 | Anthony Henday Drive (135 St Overpass SW) | Interchange | 66 | C19 |
| 23 | Whitemud Drive / Highway 628 (231 Street to Highway 60) | Twinning | 66 | W4 |
| 23 | Highway 16 (Interchange at 830) | Interchange | 66 | E1 |
| 27 | Highway 16 (Highway 824 to Elk Island Park) | Access management | 64 | E2 |

Table 3.3: Projects Ready for Design – Roadway Continued...

| Rank | Project Name | Project Type | Score | # |
|------|---|------------------------------|-------|-----|
| 27 | 170 Street CN Grade Separation | Grade Separation | 64 | C15 |
| 27 | QE2 Highway/Ellerslie Rd. Interchange Upgrading | Upgrade Existing Interchange | 64 | S8 |
| 27 | Whitemud Drive / Highway 628 (Anthony Henday Dr. to 231 Street) | Upgrade existing road | 64 | W5 |
| 27 | Nisku Spine Road (Highway 625 to Airport Road) | Upgrade existing road | 64 | S9 |
| 32 | Twp Rd 510 (QE2 to 50 Street) | Upgrade existing road | 51 | S19 |
| 33 | Nisku Spine Road (65 Ave to Highway 623 (Rollyview rd.)) | New Link | 48 | S10 |
| 34 | Highway 627 (Anthony Henday Dr. to 199 St) | New Link | 44 | W6 |
| 34 | 91 Street (Ellerslie Road to 41 Avenue SW) | Widening | 44 | C25 |
| 36 | Ray Gibbon Drive (Highway 37 to Highway 2) | Extend-first 2 lanes | 38 | NW2 |
| 36 | Ray Gibbon Drive (Villeneuve Rd. to Highway 37) | Extend-first 2 lanes | 38 | NW3 |
| 38 | Manning Drive (137 Avenue - Anthony Henday Drive) | Widening | 37 | C8 |
| 38 | Anthony Henday Drive (109/111 Ave Overpass) | Interchange | 37 | C21 |
| 38 | Anthony Henday Drive (Add 137 Ave Ramps) | Interchange | 37 | C22 |
| 38 | QE2 Highway/Highway 2A Interchange | Replace Interchange | 37 | S11 |
| 42 | 127 Street (Edmonton City Limit to St. Albert Trail/Highway 2) | New Link | 27 | NW4 |

Table 3.4: Projects Ready for Design - Transit

| Rank | Project Name | Project Type | Score | # |
|------|---|-----------------|-------|----|
| 1 | Campbell Regional Park n Ride (on Edmonton lands) | New Park n Ride | 129 | T9 |
| 2 | West LRT (Downtown to Lewis Estates) | LRT Extension | 108 | T5 |
| 2 | South LRT (Century Park to Ellerslie) | LRT Extension | 108 | T6 |
| 2 | NW LRT (NAIT to Campbell Rd Transit Centre) | LRT Extension | 108 | T7 |
| 2 | NE LRT (Clareview to Gorman) | LRT Extension | 108 | T8 |

See Figure 2: Projects Ready for Design Map

Table 3.5: Project Functional Planning or Study - Roadway

| Rank | Project Name | Project Type | Score | # |
|------|---|---|-------|------|
| 1 | New Northeast River Crossing (Highway 21/Twp Rd 540 to Highway 28A) | New Link | 126 | NE4 |
| 2 | Yellowhead Trail (97 Street to St Albert Trail) | Upgrade to Free Flow | 120 | C7 |
| 3 | 170 St Corridor Study (Terwillegar to QE2 south of Leduc) | Corridor Study | 111 | S22 |
| 4 | Twp Rd 534/Aurum Rd (Anthony Henday Dr. to Highway 21) | Realignment of Road + New Interchange on Hwy 21 | 110 | E7 |
| 5 | 170 Street Extension (Highway 19 to Highway 39) | New link | 108 | S13 |
| 5 | 170 Street (41 Avenue SW to Highway 19) Extension | New Link | 108 | S14 |
| 7 | Highway 831/Heavy Haul Road (Highway 15 to Highway 28) | Widening and Intersection Improvements | 97 | NE6 |
| 8 | Highway 21 (Highway 14 to Highway 628) | Twinning | 96 | E3 |
| 9 | Highway 21 (Highway 16 to Ft Sask) | Upgrade to Freeway; build interchanges | 89 | E4 |
| 10 | Highway 834/Heavy Haul Road (Highway 16 to Highway 15) | Widening and Intersection Improvements | 81 | E8 |
| 11 | 97 Street (167 Avenue to Anthony Henday Dr.) | Widening | 80 | C23 |
| 12 | Highway 16 (Sherwood Drive to Highway 824) | Widen to 6 lanes and build interchanges | 76 | E5 |
| 12 | Highway 15/37/825 Intersection - Interchange | Interchange | 76 | NE1A |
| 12 | Highway 16 (Anthony Henday Dr. to Highway 779) | Widening | 76 | W8 |
| 15 | Highway 21 (Highway 625 to Highway 14) | Twinning | 74 | E9 |
| 16 | Highway 15 (East of Fort Saskatchewan to Lamont) including Intersection Improvements at Highways 830, 45 and 29 | Twinning and Intersection Upgrades | 72 | NE7 |
| 17 | Hwy 2A extension (QE2 to 170 St /Highway 39) | New Link | 71 | S15 |
| 18 | Highway 15 North Saskatchewan Bridge Crossing at Fort Saskatchewan | Bridge Upgrade | 70 | NE11 |
| 19 | Highway 16 at Highways 43 & 770 | Interchange | 66 | W10 |
| 20 | St. Albert Trail (North City Limit to Boudreau Rd) | Widening/Intersection Upgrades | 64 | NW6 |
| 21 | Highway 830 (Highway 16 to Highway 15) | Widening | 54 | E10 |
| 22 | Nisku Spine Road (Highway 623 to Highway 2A/QE2) | New Link | 48 | S18 |
| 23 | Highway 21 (Highway 628 to Highway 16) | Upgrade to Freeway; build interchanges | 42 | E11 |
| 24 | Highway 28 (195 Avenue to Highway 28A) | Twinning | 37 | NE8 |
| 25 | 127 Street (Anthony Henday Dr. to Edmonton City Limit) | New Link | 27 | C24 |
| 26 | Highway 627 (199 St to Highway 60) | Twinning | 17 | W9 |

Table 3.6: Project Functional Planning or Study - Transit

| Rank | Project Name | Project Type | Score | # |
|------|--|---------------------------------|-------|-----|
| 1 | Regional HOV Transit Priority Study (Hwy 16, Baseline Rd./98 Ave, Wye Rd./ Sherwood Pk Fwy./ QE2 Hwy to Leduc) | HOV Lane/ Transit Priority | 209 | T1 |
| 2 | Acheson Industrial Area Transit plus Park & Ride | New Service & Park n Ride Study | 149 | T4 |
| 3 | Strathcona County High-Speed Transit (LRT) | LRT Extension Study | 115 | T2 |
| 4 | Fort Saskatchewan Regional Park n Ride | New Park n Ride | 105 | T11 |
| 4 | Spruce Grove Regional Park n Ride | New Park n Ride | 105 | T13 |
| 6 | NW LRT (Campbell Rd TC to North St. Albert Park n Ride) | LRT Extension | 61 | T14 |
| 7 | EIA/City of Leduc/Leduc County Transit Study | Transit Service Study | 47 | T3 |
| 8 | North St. Albert Regional Park n Ride at the north end of St. Albert Trail | New Park n Ride | 44 | T12 |

See Figure 3: Project Functional Planning or Study Map