

APPENDIX A - Category Specific Supplement

DISASTER MITIGATION INFRASTRUCTURE

I. Objectives

To invest in disaster mitigation infrastructure that contributes to economic growth, a clean environment and stronger communities.

II. Subcategories

- Construction, modification, reinforcement or relocation of public infrastructure that protects from, prevents, reduces the impact and/or likelihood of, or mitigates the potential damage resulting from natural hazards, including impacts or events related to climate change.

Notes: *Construction, modification or reinforcement of public infrastructure excludes normal routine, maintenance and operational work (e.g., dredging of sediment, gravel removal, debris traps, etc.). The relocation of entire communities is also excluded.*

III. Outcomes and Benefits

The project must demonstrate how it provides benefits to British Columbians in support of one or more of the following outcomes:

- Reducing the social, physical and/or economic risks associated with natural hazards and/or adverse effects related to climate change;
- Improving the resiliency of public infrastructure to natural hazards and/or adverse effects related to climate change; or
- Supporting an all-hazard risk assessment and related mitigation plan to address disaster risks.

IV. Project Specific Criteria

- Must demonstrate the economic advantages and the broader public benefits of the project.
- Must have conducted a risk assessment that supports the proposed mitigation project. The risk assessment shall include: the likelihood of a natural hazard occurring and the potential impacts of such an event (including social, economic and environmental impacts).
- Must demonstrate that the project is the most-effective mitigation approach, including other structural and non-structural mitigation options.
- Must demonstrate that project design has taken into consideration the increasing magnitude of natural hazards and any “down-stream” negative consequences of the structural mitigation project.