



## Infrastructure Planning Grant Program

# Frequently Asked Questions

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This FAQ document supports information on the Infrastructure Planning Grant Program (IPGP) [webpage](#) and provided in the IPGP [Program Guide](#). Applicants are advised to refer to all these resources prior to filling out the - ASapplication for the program.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

**Q: Who can apply for the IPGP?**

A: Local governments (municipality and regional districts).

B: Local governments can submit applications on behalf of improvement districts, or other small water system operators and must include the letter of request from that organization.

C: First Nations are not eligible to apply under this grant.

**Q: Do I need to answer all the questions on the application form?**

A: Yes. Please note that answering N/A to required questions may affect your project's scoring and ranking in the technical assessment process.

**Q: I don't know how to answer one of the questions on the application form. What should I do?**

A: Please contact Ministry program staff for guidance if you do not know how to answer a question. We can provide advice. Ministry program staff are happy to provide advice and clarify where we can. However, please note that we are a small team. With many potential applications, we are limited in capacity, we ask that applicants with questions review the program materials on the website first. This will increase the quality of the conversation and corresponding advice.

### ELIGIBILITY

**Q: Is my project eligible for under the Infrastructure Planning Grant?**

A: Review program 'Eligible Projects', section 2.3 of the [Program Guide](#).

B: This program is for planning, not for capital projects.

C: Preference will be given to applications that will lead to capital projects.

**Q: What types of projects are supported by IPGP?**



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**A:** There are a wide variety of projects that could be eligible under the Infrastructure Planning Grant Program such as renewable energy plan; watershed management plans, climate adaptation plans for more information, please review the [Program guide](#).

**Q: Can we start the project prior to being approved for funding?**

**A:** The application submission date becomes your eligible cost date, and could start your project; however, funding is not guaranteed. If the community is successful any eligible costs incurred after submission date will be reimbursed through an approved grant.

### WHEN CAN I APPLY and WHAT ARE THE FUNDING TIMELINES

**Q: What are the application timelines?**

**A:** We have two rounds of reviews per year (early Spring and early Fall)

**B:** We accept applications on a continuously open basis.

**Can our community submit more than one application at the same time?**

Yes, there is a section in the application form that asks you if you are submitting more than one and if so, to prioritize them to those that are of greater interest to the community applying.

**We won't have a 'letter of support' from interested/pertinent parties by the submission deadline – will our application be deemed eligible if we can't submit it with the application?**

No, if you can't get the letters of support and other supporting documentation in with the application, please let the program lead know this via email [infra@gov.bc.ca](mailto:infra@gov.bc.ca) and submit your application by the deadline.

### CONTACT US

Contact staff with questions **prior** to the application deadline to allow time to answer questions. Contact information for staff:

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