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Re: Lady Minto Hospital Emergency Department Project - Request for CRHD Cost-Sharing

Dear Kevin,

On behalf of our funding partner, the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation, Island Health is requesting 30% cost-sharing on this project which is currently included in the CRHD ten-year capital plan.

The Emergency Department (ED) project will be an extension to the Lady Minto Hospital which is designated under the Hospital District Act. As noted in your plan, the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation is the primary funder of this project. The Foundation has raised \$4,000,000 to-date, and plan to start another capital campaign in November to raise an additional \$3,000,000.

The schematic design phase has been completed on the project, and the total project cost at this stage is estimated at \$9,927,747.

Island Health's routine capital is fully committed to other initiatives, so we are not in a position to contribute capital to this project at this time. However, we have committed to funding all of the ongoing annual operating costs of the new ED.

If CRHD cost-sharing is approved, the project funding sources would be as follows:

Lady Minto Hospital Foundation	70%	\$6,949,423
CRHD	30%	\$2,978,324
Total		\$9,927,747

By March 2021, we expect to have the Design Development and Construction Document phases completed, and we expect to have the new ED completed by September 2022.

We thank you for your consideration of this request, and we are hopeful that the CRHD will financially support this project which will significantly improve emergency healthcare in the Salt Spring community.

Yours sincerely,

Scott McCarten

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