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Regional Recreation Facility Feasibility Study - Phase 1

First phase of study will explore viability of new recreation complex for Kings Region

The Municipality of the County of Kings, Town of Wolfville and Town of Kentville are pleased to announce a two-phase assessment of a prospective multi-use community recreation complex to serve residents throughout Kings County, members of the communities of Glooscap First Nation and Annapolis Valley First Nation, businesses, and visitors to the Annapolis Valley.

This work builds on earlier community and stakeholder engagement completed by the project partners to assess community recreation needs in 2019. The project is divided into two phases. This initial phase will determine the overall viability of a new recreation complex, the best range of services to offer, and the most equitable site for a new facility that will also spur regional economic development.

A subsequent phase involving a detailed design of the facility will be conditional upon approval of respective Councils once Phase 1 is complete. Phase 1 is scheduled to conclude by March 2022.

As representatives of the third most populated county in Nova Scotia, the partners to this project recognize the need for recreation infrastructure to overcome existing service gaps, capture new opportunities, and maintain the Kings Region as one of the best locations in the country to live, work and play.

Sierra Planning and Management is leading the Phase 1 study, along with Perkins and Will Architects and CBCL Ltd.

The study team is currently scheduling a variety of stakeholder meetings to begin the process of visioning for the future to meet the needs of our strong and growing communities.

Please register and follow <u>www.wolfvilleblooms.ca/regionalrecfacility</u> for project updates and to provide your feedback throughout the project.

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