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Peachland receives \$310,000 in grant funds

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Peachland was the recipient of more than \$310,000 in grants from several sources recently.

The province is contributing \$279,197 to the town's coffers through the Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF) and \$4,132 through the Climate Action Revenue Incentive (CARI).

Communities across B.C. participate in the SCIF's \$30 million pay out, which is used to help regional districts and small communities meet basic local government services.

Another \$3.8 million is being returned to local governments through CARI as reimbursement for carbon taxes paid in 2010.

"These grants are a major investment in community safety initiatives and infrastructure," said Penticton MLA Bill Barisoff. "These programs recognize the critical role that municipalities play in delivering important public services and ensure they have the means to do so."

The District of Peachland will also receive \$27,500 from the Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) to assist in Peachland Creek water monitoring.

The OBWB announced a total of \$300,000 in funding for 19 projects throughout the valley.

Peachland will update existing Water Survey of Canada infrastructure to collect real-time stream flow and water quality data, according to the OBWB.