



Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency  
Agence canadienne de développement économique du Nord

# Overview of Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor)

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# Background

- Commitment in 2008 Speech from the Throne:  
*Economic Development in Canada's North, led by a new stand-alone agency, is a key element of our Northern Strategy*
  - Economic development programming for Canada's three territories previously delivered by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
- Budget 2009 provides \$50M / 5yrs in operating funding
- PM announces launch of CanNor August 2009



# Legal / Administrative Framework

- CanNor established via OICs August 18, 2009
- Stand-alone department (Schedule 1.1 to *FAA*), reporting to Minister of INAC
- Headquarters in Iqaluit, with regional offices in Yellowknife and Whitehorse, and a liaison office in Ottawa
- Legal authority to pursue economic development found in Section 5 of *DIAND Act*
- Programs/services to three territories
- Nicole Jauvin appointed President / Deputy Head



## Role of Regional Economic Development Agencies

- CanNor mandate similar to pre-existing federal regional economic development agencies:
  - ACOA, CED-Q, WED, FedNor, and the new Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario)
- Same three broad functions:
  - Delivery of regional programming
  - Coordination / delivery of national economic policy at the regional level
  - Policy research and advocacy of regional interests within the federal system



# Summary of CanNor Programs

<b>Transfers from INAC</b>	<b>New measures</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategic Investments in Northern Economic Development (SINED)</li><li>• Aboriginal economic development programs</li><li>• Promotion of official language minority communities</li><li>• Secretariat to Federal Councils</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Northern Project Management Office</li><li>• B09 stimulus package (Community Adjustment Fund, Recreational Infrastructure Canada)</li><li>• Skills development (in collaboration with HRSDC)</li></ul>



# Key Priorities

- Program delivery
- CanNor development – senior management direction
  - HR – CanNor expected to grow over next 18 months, with most hires North of 60
  - Corporate services – MOU with INAC, CanNor capacity
  - Programs/services/initiatives, e.g. overall picture, HRSDC / Infrastructure Canada programs/services
- Value-added to Northerners
  - Ongoing relations with partners/stakeholders
  - Potential development of new programs



Any questions / feedback