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His Worship Greg Wilson  
Mayor, City of Dryden  
30 Van Horne Avenue  
Dryden ON P8N 2A7  
[gwilson@dryden.ca](mailto:gwilson@dryden.ca)

Dear Mayor Wilson:

I am pleased to announce the launch of the 2021-22 Gas Tax Program and to advise you of your funding allocation.

Our government is committed to working with municipalities to improve Ontario's transportation network and support economic growth. Investing in transit will reduce traffic congestion, create jobs and help businesses to develop and prosper.

The City of Dryden will be eligible to receive an allocation of **\$66,714** for this program year.

In the coming days we will be forwarding the electronic versions of your Letter of Agreement, along with program guidelines, reporting forms and the Canadian Content for Transit Vehicle Procurement policy to the primary contact at the City of Dryden.

Please return a scanned copy of the signed Letter of Agreement, in pdf format, and the required supporting by-law (if applicable), and the 2021 Reporting Forms to **MTO-PGT@ontario.ca**.


The ministry recognizes that COVID-19 impacted gasoline sales in 2020-21. As a result, the province has committed \$120M in *one-time* additional funding to address the impacts of COVID-19 on the 2021-22 Gas Tax program. The one-time additional funding announced through the 2021 Fall Economic Statement (FES) maintains the funding envelope at the level of the 2020-21 program year. This funding will help stabilize 2021-22 program allocations as the province continues its COVID-19 recovery and transit systems begin to build back their ridership levels.

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In order to further mitigate the impact of COVID-19, the ministry is using 2019 ridership instead of 2020, and will be using municipal spending figures from either 2019 or 2020, whichever is higher, when calculating municipal allocations. These actions will stabilize allocations, ensure that all municipalities can receive their largest allocation possible under the program, and ensure that no municipality is unduly penalized.

If you have any questions regarding the Gas Tax program, please contact Kevin Dowling, Acting Director, Municipal Programs Branch, at [kevin.dowling@ontario.ca](mailto:kevin.dowling@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Caroline Mulroney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Caroline Mulroney  
Minister of Transportation

c. The Honourable Greg Rickford, MPP, Kenora—Rainy River