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Selkirk Hospital Project receives approval to proceed to the end of the Design Development Stage

Stonewall, MB - The Interlake RHA is pleased to announce that approval has been received from Manitoba Health Capital Planning Branch, to proceed to the end of the design development stage for a new permanent replacement facility for the current Selkirk & District General Hospital.

"To this point in the project, we have consulted with staff, physicians and stakeholders through various User Group meetings and are pleased with the schematic design of the new hospital", noted Interlake RHA Vice President Planning, Doreen Fey.

At the end of the design development stage, the next step will be the approval of the capital cost estimate, which will include the finalization of all building design elements including the engineering systems and building materials.

"We appreciate the support of the Province of Manitoba and Manitoba Health Capital Planning Branch as we move this landmark project forward within our region", added Kevin Beresford, Interlake RHA Chief Executive Officer.

As of today, we have scheduled the next round of User Group Meetings from April to June 2010 and are hopeful to be in the ground by the fall of 2011.

For more information regarding the Selkirk Hospital project, please contact the Interlake RHA at 467-4742 or toll free at 1-888-488-2299.