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## NEWS RELEASE

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North West Regional Hospital District  
City of Terrace  
Regional District Kitimat Stikine

### **MILLS MEMORIAL REPLACEMENT MOVES FORWARD**

TERRACE- The Province has approved the Concept Plan for the replacement of Mills Memorial and the Provincial Treasury Board has given permission to move forward with the business plan which will guide construction.

For the North West Regional Hospital District Board, the replacement of Mills Memorial has been the number one priority project many years. The Board has been united in its desire to see services increased in our communities and to see the establishment of a Level 3 Trauma Center.

Previously the NWRHD Board committed to funding the business plan 100% upfront to move this project forward. Now the North West Regional Hospital District Board has unanimously committed to be a funding partner with the Province.

The board will monitor the development closely and work with the Province and Northern Health for better health care for all residents. We thank the current and past boards, our residents, the Northern Health Authority, the Ministry of Health and the Premier for supporting this project.

“It is so very important that our residents can access health care close to home. The replacement of Mills Memorial will strengthen our existing medical facilities. The North West Regional Hospital District Board has been committed to this project and is pleased to be partnering with the Province to make it a reality.” Harry Nyce, North West Regional Hospital District Chair.

“Today’s announcement is great news for Terrace and all of Northwest B.C. We now have Treasury Board approval to proceed with the new hospital business plan and with the Northwest Regional Hospital District’s funding commitment we are one very important step closer to the construction of a new hospital in our community.” Carol LeClerc, Mayor of Terrace.

“The Regional District Kitimat-Stikine is encouraged by today’s commitment from the Province to investment in the region. This is a positive step in improving infrastructure for our residents. This project will increase investor confidence by providing a facility with capacity to provide health care for employees of current and proposed projects throughout the North West.” Phil Germuth, Regional District Kitimat-Stikine Chair.



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