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Fabric Building Community Rink Announcement

Norway House, MB – Cobra Structures is partnering with Norway House Cree Nation on the construction of two new fabric building community rinks.

"This is about giving our players and families extra time to skate and play the sport they want, hockey being one of them," said Norway House Cree Nation Chief Larson Anderson. "We know that keeping our children busy and teaching them about teamwork is important."

In total the project includes three outdoor ice rinks under two fabric-covered buildings. The first building is 65' wide x 126' long with one 60' x 120' rink underneath. The second building is 65' x 140' with a 60' x 100' rink and a 60' x 40' skating area.

"The whole idea is to have older kids on a single rink themselves as the three rinks represent three different learning stages of skating," said Cobra Structures vice-president Shane Prevost.

The fabric cover provides a cost-effective recreational option for Norway House Cree Nation, added Prevost. No concrete is involved, while the fabric protects the rinks from snowfall and decreases maintenance. The community can also use the rinks for events year-round.

"The need to be creative and to think outside the box when it comes to facilities and housing is important for First Nations including here in Norway House," said Chief Larson Anderson.

Chief Larson Anderson and Cobra Structures have partnered on several other community projects, including a hybrid fabric building gym and daycare built with 13 upcycled shipping containers. Norway House Cree Nation is also a partner of Bison Container Homes, a sister company of Cobra Structures.

Construction of the rinks is ongoing in Norway House Cree Nation with an estimated completion date of March 2021. All Cobra Structures employees are required to stay isolated in on-site camps to abide by the community's current health protocols.

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