

BACKGROUNDER

Ministry of Transportation

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SUMMARY OF BC TRANSIT SERVICE EXPANSIONS

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| Vernon Region | \$160,000 | Increased service frequency to growth areas and increased handyDART service starting in December. |
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| Victoria Regional Transit | \$693,000 | Implement TravelChoices strategy, increased service frequency in high growth areas, and increased handyDART service. |

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