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Eastern Ontario CFDC Network Inc  
Accepting Applications for EODP Regional Projects

***For Immediate Release***

The Eastern Ontario CFDC Network Inc is pleased to announce that we are now accepting Regional Project applications from not-for-profit organizations, municipalities, municipal organizations, and Aboriginal organizations, for the Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP). EODP is an economic development initiative, first announced by Prime Minister Stephen Harper in August 2006, aimed at addressing socio-economic challenges in rural Eastern Ontario. The program benefited from a \$10-million-a-year investment in 2006, 2007 and 2008. On May 1, 2009, the Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Industry, announced a two-year investment in the EODP totaling \$20 million. The longer-term commitment in the EODP is expected to result in a greater number of strategic economic development initiatives and improved partnerships to benefit Eastern Ontario communities. EODP is managed by the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario).

The objective of EODP Regional Projects is to support regionally-based initiatives which stimulate business and community development opportunities, by promoting socio-economic development leading to a competitive and diversified regional economy, through the successful development of business / job opportunities and sustainable self-reliant communities within Eastern Ontario.

Applications for regional projects will be accepted up to November 20, 2009 at 4:00 pm either in electronic or hard copy format for projects that must be completed by March 31, 2010. For more information on EODP Regional Projects, or to obtain applications and guidelines, visit [www.eocfdc.ca](http://www.eocfdc.ca) or call the EO Network Inc . (905) 372-8315 ext.243

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