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Building Trades Support Premier's Unprecedented Transit Commitment

(Toronto, ON) Earlier this week, the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, announced that the province is “making the biggest investment in new subways in Canadian history... \$28.5 billion dollars to get Ontario moving.” Premier Ford further stated that “this is... by far... the most money ever invested... to get shovels in the ground and get new subways built.”

“There can be no question that Premier Ford’s announcement is very good news for Ontario’s building and construction trades workers. It is a major boost,” said Patrick Dillon, Business Manager of the Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council of Ontario.

Premier Ford further stated that “the construction of these projects will create tens of thousands of well-paying, middle class jobs for hard-working people across the province. Virtually every major private sector union in this province will see more work and more jobs as a result of this historic infrastructure build. That’s general contract labourers, engineers, carpenters, formers, electricians, heavy equipment operators, mechanics, rail experts, surveyors, and so many more.”

“Our goal is to work with the Government to support long-term investments in transit infrastructure which will help foster skills training and job opportunities for the next generation of workers. And while we do not always agree with the Government, today we must emphasize that the Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council of Ontario stands four square in support of Premier Ford’s plan to get Ontario moving,” concluded Dillon.

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