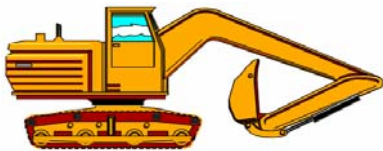


# HRM 4-Pad Arena Complex



Halifax Regional Council has approved the building of a 4-pad arena facility as their **top priority**. As the owner of 16 of the existing 21 ice surfaces in the Municipality, HRM has identified through careful and lengthy community, sport, and partner consultation that there is an immediate need for 25 ice surfaces in order to fill the void of existing user demand, new sport development, and existing gender deficiencies.

## Construction is underway!



You may notice an increase in construction traffic to and from the site as construction ramps up. Please note all contractors and subcontractors must comply with by-law N-200 (the regulation covering noise).



## Milestone Dates

**January 18, 2008** - Expression of Interest Call (EOI) Issued for 4-Pad Arena Potential Design Build and Operate Partners

**April, 2008** - Short List Developed as a Result of Evaluation and Rating of EOI Submissions

**August 11, 2008** - Request for Proposals Issued to Short Listed Proponents

**January 27, 2009** - Council Approved Successful Proponent and Negotiations Begin for Design Build Contract and Operating Agreement

**May 12, 2009** - Design Build Contract and Operating Agreement Approved by Council. Phase 1 of Project Approved by Council

**May 29, 2009** - Site for 4-Pad Purchased

**July 2009** - Design Build Agreement signed with Ellis Don Construction

**August 2009** - Operating Agreement signed with Nustadia Recreation Inc.

**Fall 2010** - Construction is completed - 4-Pad Arena Facility Opens

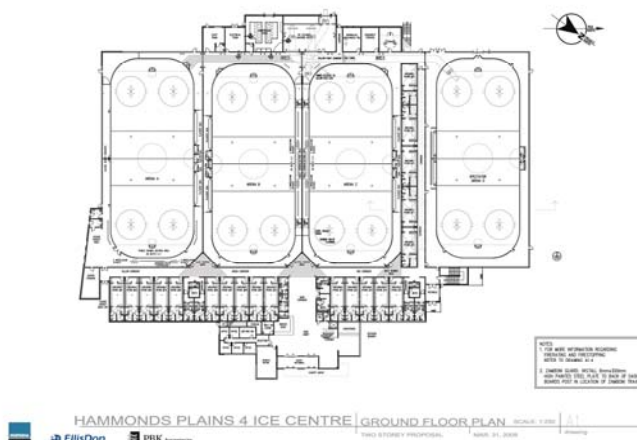


## 4-Pad Schematics

### Interior Lobby



### First Floor



The availability of ice time has decreased while the following needs have increased:

- female sport development
- more ice time for ringette
- requests by figure skating associations
- recreational family skating
- growing demand and opportunities for adults (male and female recreational sport leagues)
- sledge hockey development (currently no facility is fully accessible and able to grow this important sport)
- desire for more ice time for minor hockey associations

Regional Council intends the 4-Pad Arena to be constructed and open for citizens' use in Fall of 2010 and is keenly aware of the risks associated with existing aging facilities. Further loss of arena inventory will result in existing youth programming being cancelled or moved further into the non-prime usage hours i.e. after 10 pm in the evening.

This 4-Pad Arena will allow for access in all of the identified areas of need, and in addition, as a regional facility, introduces a unique type of inventory - 4 pads in one facility - that enhances its economic viability as a sport and recreation facility. This is a sound and progressive business approach to meeting the needs of citizens.

### 4-PAD QUICK FACTS:

- HRM has commenced construction of this facility
- Total project cost is \$39 million which includes land purchase, design, construction and pre-opening expenses
- HRM will own the facility
- The facility will be located at 61 Gary Martin Drive in Hammonds Plains
- The HRM 4-pad Arena will open in Fall 2010
- HRM has signed a Design Build contract with Ellis Don Ltd.
- HRM has signed an Operating Agreement with Nustadia Recreation Inc.
- Staff and Nustadia will begin to work immediately on the completion of a Community Access Plan (this plan will ensure fair access – i.e. scheduling to the facility including sport, gender, etc.) and will be working with stakeholders in order to complete this prior to the opening of the facility



For further information please visit our website at [www.halifax.ca/facilities/Multi-PadArena.html](http://www.halifax.ca/facilities/Multi-PadArena.html) or contact Betty-Lou Killen at 902-490-4833 or email [killenb@halifax.ca](mailto:killenb@halifax.ca)