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DEEP RIVER, ONTARIO

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\$2.00 (HST INCL.)

AECL to get almost \$1.6B

BY TERRY MYERS

Another year, another record level of funding for Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.

AECL will receive almost \$1.6 billion in funding next year, to support both decommissioning and development at the Chalk River Laboratories, according to the federal government's main spending estimates, published last week.

Total funding for AECL will be \$1.591 billion for the fiscal year 2024-25, which begins April 1.

The funding is broken down into two components: \$1.196 billion for "nuclear decommissioning and radioactive waste management" and \$394.8 million for "nuclear laboratories." The money allocated to the laboratories includes \$235.8 million in operating funding and \$159 million for capital projects.

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AY CARAMBA, THAT'S COLD! Forty brave souls threw themselves into the frigid waters of the Ottawa River Sunday morning as part of the fourth "Polar Bear Plunge-raiser" in support of the Ontario SPCA's Renfrew County Animal Shelter at Petawawa Point. Donations were still being tallied but as of event time, the hardy plungers had raised more than \$7,000 to support the shelter's work.



SPRING FORWARD!

Daylight time begins Sunday

INSIDE:



MACK GIRLS WIN SNOWBOARD SILVER

QUOTEWORTHY:

"It's private property, sir. You don't have a say if your neighbour is building a house."

- Mayor Ann Giardini.

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