

University of Manitoba Track Resurfacing Project Details

- This is Phase 1 of a project that will upgrade the athletics track at the University of Manitoba.
- Phase 2 will be completed next year at a total project cost of nearly \$2M, funded by the 2017 Canada Summer Games.
- The resurfacing of the track comes 17 years after the last upgrade that was part of the retrofit for the 1999 Pan American Games and nearly 50 years after the stadium was constructed for the 1967 Pan American Games.
- The University of Manitoba has committed to making the stadium a dedicated Athletics facility – one of only a few across Canada.
- Representatives from the 2017 Canada Summer Games, the University of Manitoba and Athletics Manitoba worked in partnership to define the project needs.
- Consultant on the project – DIALOG Architects with Doug Wournell the lead consultant on the project; both DIALOG and Doug have extensive experience in building sport facilities across Canada and in particular in Western Canada.
- Materials provided by Beynon Sports, a US based company offering global services. Beynon Sports is the world leader in track and field surfacing with over 2500 installations worldwide.
- The BSS 1000, Full Pour, 13MM installed surface is certified by the IAAF (International Association of Athletics Federations) as having been tested and it meets the technical requirements for use in all international athletics competitions.
- The BSS 1000 is a full pour polyurethane surface that allows athletes to perform at their highest level while training or in competition. This surface is durable enough to resist the roughest weather and the toughest competition and requires no advanced maintenance. Its bioengineered force reduction layer integrates very fine styrene-butadiene (SBR) rubber granules with environmentally friendly polyurethane to create an impermeable shock-absorbing cushion.
- Track resurfacers: Playteck Enterprises Inc. located in New Brunswick; Matt Auffrey, President.
- Resurfacing of the track took approximately three weeks and the lining an additional week.
- Lining of the track was undertaken by James Vivash of Tracktech. Mr. Vivash is certified by the IAAF and Athletics Canada and recently undertook the line marking and certification for the 2015 World Athletics Championships in Beijing.
- Upon completion the track will achieve the distinction of being certified as an IAAF Class II track & field facility. There are only nine in all of Canada (Class I certification is for Olympic tracks).

