

Highlights

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Minister Meeting Highlights - The Honourable Diana McQueen, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Resource Development - November 4, 2013

Summary of the meeting with Minister McQueen includes discussion on Aggregate Resource Management, Draft South Saskatchewan Regional Plan, Flood Hazard Mitigation, Potable Water use in Resource Extraction and the MGA review process. Learn more...

Member Bulletins

AAMDC Affects Significant Changes to Bill 28

The AAMDC has continued to work diligently on your behalf regarding Bill 28 and we are pleased that our advocacy efforts on the minister's task force have resulted in substantive amendments to the bill. **Learn more...**

Guidelines for Municipal Procurement Released

The Government of Alberta has released a set of guidelines as a resource for municipalities as they seek to understand their obligations under the New West Partnership Trade Agreement (NWPTA) and Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT). Learn more...

Recommendation to Restructure Municipal Grants

Early in 2012, the Government of Alberta began a results-based budgeting process that conducts a review of every government program and service. **Learn more...**

Reminder

Call for Member Input – Government of Alberta Proposed Changes to the Local Authorities Pension Plan

The Government of Alberta announced its intention to reform the province's public-sector pension plans, including the Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP). We encourage members to participate in the government consultation. Learn more...

Trails in Alberta Highway Rights-of-Way: Policies,





With 197 active bridge files, the County of Wetaskiwin stays busy repairing and replacing bridges and culverts as they wear down after years of use.

Learn more in our *On the Road* community profiles.

New Job Postings

Red Deer County Fire Inspector

Parkland County Human Resources Assistant

Mackenzie County Finance Controller

Leduc County
Director, Intergovernmental
Affairs & Corporate Services

Early Years/Bridges FASD Coordinator

Town of Swan Hills Community Peace Officer

Municipal District of Greenview No.16 Heavy Equipment Technician

Utilities Operator

City of Spruce Grove Operator - Parks and Open Spaces

Lamont County
Construction Supervisor

Click **here** to view all current job postings.

Guidelines, and Standards Available for Review and Comment

Alberta Transportation has completed a policy manual entitled "Trails in Alberta Highway Rights-of-Way: Policies, Guidelines, and Standards" and is requesting the input of the AAMDC before proceeding with the policies. **Learn more...**

Announcements

It's Your Call - Planning for the Future of Sport in Alberta Dr. Richard Starke, Minister of Tourism, Parks & Recreation, invites you to help set the priorities for amateur sport in Alberta. A series of regional conversations, from November 25 to December 11, are taking place throughout rural Alberta to make sure Albertans have an opportunity to provide their insights from a rural/regional perspective and address priorities for sport and setting the stage for our future. Register here.

Consultation Notice for Proposed Designated Materials Recycling Regulation

The Government of Alberta is consulting on several **proposed changes** to the province's existing regulatory framework for recycling. The proposed changes are intended to reduce municipal solid waste in Alberta, streamline Alberta's regulatory framework, and provide options to shift end-of-life management costs from taxpayers to producers and consumers. **Learn more...**

Register today! for Come Together Alberta - a Provincial Diversity Conference

Join the discussion and celebrate diversity in Alberta at Come Together Alberta, a provincial diversity conference, on February 6 and 7, 2014 in Calgary. The conference will bring together municipalities, business and community organizations to collaborate in embracing Alberta's growing diversity.

Learn more...

News

- Alberta continues work with municipal partners to improve ground ambulance services.
- Prairie farm groups want Ottawa to penalize railways for grain shipment backlog.
- Updated provincial flood statistics.
- University of Alberta students get a glimpse of rural health care.
- Alberta municipal groups pleased with amendments to controversial planning bill.
- Municipal Affairs minister defends regional planning bill.
- Rural municipalities want program funding restored.
- Municipalities welcome revamped legislation to manage growth.
- Could recycling regulations be on the way for Alberta?
- Concern over county bridges.

- Provincial MS strategy applauded.
- Wireless code gives customers new rights starting today.
- **Defibrillators** may be hard to find in emergencies: CBC investigation.

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