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## Member Bulletins

### **IMPORTANT: Pre-Register for the STIP Consultation Workshop at the Spring 2016 Convention**

The AAMDC and Alberta Transportation have collaborated to develop a consultation session to provide members with an opportunity to provide feedback on how they would like the Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP) to be structured when it returns in the 2017-18 budget year.

[Learn more...](#)

### **Spring 2016 Emergent Resolution Process Reminder**

As per the AAMDC's [resolution process policy](#), an emergent resolution is defined as a resolution submitted to the AAMDC after the resolution deadline (*February 16, 2016 for the Spring 2016 Convention*) that deals with a subject or problem that has arisen subsequent to the resolution deadline.

[Learn more...](#)

### **Government of Alberta Launches Consultations on Transportation Issues**

On Tuesday, March 1, the Government of Alberta launched a [consultation process](#) on several transportation initiatives, including the development of a provincial transit strategy, criteria for future funding in support of municipal transit initiatives, and a framework for delivering rural bus services.

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### **AAMDC Spring 2016 Convention Workshop Information**



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### **City of Airdrie**

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Technician](#)

### **MD of Greenview**

[Grande Cache Community  
Coordinator](#)

[Finance Officer, Financial  
Reporting](#)

### **Town of High Level**

[Community Peace Officer 1](#)

[Museum & Visitor Assistant](#)

### **MD of Lesser Slave River**

[Seasonal Terrain Crew](#)

**Town of Okotoks**

The upcoming [AAMDC Spring 2016 Convention](#) takes place **March 14-16, 2016** at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton. Part of the jam packed agenda are three exciting workshops.  
[Learn more...](#)

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## Announcements

### Register Now to Attend the Alberta Smart City Symposium

The Symposium is the only regular event in Alberta focusing on cross sector collaboration and specific Smart community applications. It is a forum for hundreds of senior public sector, academic, and private sector leaders to gather and consider the innovative future of Alberta's communities.  
[Learn more...](#)

### Alberta Human Rights Commission: Upcoming Forums and Webinars

Education and engagement is an important service the Alberta Human Rights Commission provides in an effort to work towards its mandate is to to foster equality and reduce discrimination. Together with the Human Resources Institute of Alberta, Enbridge Pipelines Inc., Sturgeon County and the AAMDC, the Alberta Human Rights Commission is pleased to offer the Duty to Accommodate: Human Rights Employment Forum Series.  
[Learn more...](#)

### Upcoming Workshop: Waste Diversion System Basics for Councilors

Community leaders, managers, and operators need to understand "best practices" around managing and diverting household wastes from landfills. Register now to attend this workshop being offered by the Edmonton Waste Management Centre for Excellence.  
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[Transportation Supervisor](#)

**Parkland County**  
[Economic Diversification](#)  
[Marketing Specialist](#)

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**Sturgeon County**  
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[Manager](#)

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## Upcoming Events

**AAMDC Spring Convention  
& Trade Show**  
March 14-16, 2016



## Electronic Voting Device Return

If you're still in possession of an electronic voting device from the AAMDC Fall Convention, please have them delivered to the following address:

**AAMDC**  
**2510 Sparrow Drive**  
**Nisku, AB T9E 8N5**

# Reminders

## **Register Now to Attend March AUMA Webinar: The Future of Coal**

Alberta has approximately six billion tonnes of coal reserves, nine coal mines, and 18 coal-fired power plants. Under existing federal regulation, 12 of the power plants will be shut down or placed on standby by 2029 and the remaining six would reach end of life between 2030 and 2061. Alberta's Climate Leadership Plan includes an accelerated approach which would shut down all coal fired plants by 2030. This AUMA webinar will feature Robin Campbell, President of the Coal Association of Canada.

[Learn more...](#)

## **Register Now to Attend Land Use 2016**

Land Use 2016 will bring together decision makers and researchers from Alberta and around the world to explore the theme of Regional Planning — how it influences the provision of ecosystem services, the use of agricultural land, and governance. The conference will also showcase research funded by the Alberta Land Institute over the past two years.

[Learn more...](#)

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# News

- Firefighters get fired-up for [provincial training grants](#)
- [FCM welcomes expanded role for municipalities on climate change](#)
- Graham Thomson: [What if the Alberta election had been held this year?](#)
- [Agri-business boom keeping economic downturn at bay](#) in parts of southern Alberta
- Alberta government launches [transit strategy consultations](#)
- Albertans can do their part to [help prevent wildfires](#)
- Province supports [Peace River and Westlock to prevent business and roads from flooding](#)

- NDP to [introduce essential services legislation](#) after court clears way for public service strikes
- Sohi hopes [infrastructure cash for Alberta will flow](#) in time for construction season
- [Financial cost of major weather events rising](#) for Canadian taxpayers
- [Provincial investment in local flood defenses will protect homes, businesses and the economy](#)
- Albertan [Farmers and NDP may finally be reaching common ground](#)
- Alberta supports public transit with [third call for GreenTRIP projects](#)

## Rural View



AAMDC District 4  
Director Tom Burton at  
the Alberta  
Transportation transit  
engagement  
announcement.

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May 14, 2016

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