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THE VOICE FOR RURAL ALBERTA

Featured:

Bill 8 – *An Act to Strengthen Municipal Government* Released!

In a continuation of the review of the Municipal Government Act, the Government of Alberta has introduced **Bill 8: An Act to Strengthen Municipal Government**.

[Learn more...](#)

Member Bulletins

AAMDC Submission on Species at Risk Policies

The implications of the Species at Risk Act (SARA) has been identified as a priority by AAMDC members through the endorsement of several resolutions. The AAMDC recently provided a submission to the Government of Canada regarding seven draft policies, which support consistent implementation of SARA.

[Learn more...](#)

FCM's Climate and Asset Management Network Now Taking Applications

Applications are now open for FCM's Climate and Asset Management Network, which provides peer-learning opportunities, grant funding and training to help municipalities better integrate climate and sustainability goals into asset management approaches.

Learn more about the **key issues** facing rural Alberta and our **position statements**.

Job Postings

AAMDC
Legal Counsel

County of Grande Prairie
Peace Officer Supervisor - Sergeant

Parkland County
Records Management Technician

[Learn more...](#)

Government of Canada Releases Recommendations on Navigation Protection Act

Over the past several months, the federal Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure, and Communities has been reviewing the Navigation Protection Act, including changes made to it in 2009 and 2012, when it was still known as the Navigable Waters Protection Act. The intent of the review was to ensure that changes made in 2009 and 2012 to narrow the scope of the Act did not compromise the protection of the navigability of Canada's waterways.

[Learn more...](#)

Register for the EOEP's Upcoming Courses

The EOEP will introduce a brand-new series of courses that will be offered directly after the upcoming municipal election in fall 2017. The new EOEP will be led by Munis 101, which will provide both new and returning elected officials with the skills and knowledge that they need to excel in their positions. Munis 101 will meet Municipal Affairs mandatory training requirements under the revised Municipal Government Act.

[Learn more...](#)

Spring 2017 Convention Highlights

With the Spring 2017 convention behind us, we would like to share with you this spring convention's highlights. Convention highlights is a compilation of the events, speakers, and sessions held at the AAMDC's Spring 2017 convention and trade show.

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Announcements

FCM Webinar Series: Sustainability and Climate Change Funding

Do you need funding for an innovative environmental project in your municipality? Are you looking for grants to help your community adapt to climate change or reduce

Red Deer County
Peace Officer (CPO1)

Strathcona County
Director, Transportation Planning and Engineering

MCCAC
NEET Program Coordinator

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greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions? The webinars are taking place from April 25 to April 27 for an overview on the new climate change funding available, and learn how funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) can help your municipality with environment- and climate-related projects.

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Click the link above to watch our video, *Where It All Starts: Rural Alberta with the AAMDC* featuring Doug!

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Reminders

Alberta Trail Hero Deadline April 15

In recognition of the 150th Anniversary of Confederation, Alberta TrailNet Society is issuing an Alberta Trail Hero 150 Award to citizens who have contributed to recreational trails within the province. They are inviting each rural and urban municipality or recreation board to nominate an individual in their community or organization to receive this award.

[Learn more...](#)

2017 ASB Summer Tour: July 11-14

Register NOW to get the early-bird pricing for the 2017 ASB Summer tour, co-hosted by Red Deer County and Mountain View County. The theme for this years tour is Growing Tomorrows Agriculture.

[Learn more...](#)

2016 Financial Reporting

This is a reminder that the 2016 financial information return and the audited financial statements with the respective auditor's reports are due to Municipal Affairs by May 1, 2017

Return forms are available for download for:

- Municipalities - [Click here](#)
- Regional Services Commissions - [Click here](#)

In the News

- Province set to lead on [municipal legislation](#)

- Farmers warn of '[significant consequences](#)' to industry as result of federal tax changes
- Government and municipalities are celebrating the success of the [Alberta Municipal Solar Program](#).
- Panels and videos prepare [women to run for office](#)
- CRTC orders wireless providers to [implement a national](#) public alerting system for mobile phones
- Funding will help [rural communities diversify](#)
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