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Featured:

Large Scale Wind and Solar Decision Support Tools for Rural Municipalities – Your Input is Needed!

The Miistakis Institute, in partnership with AAMDC and Wheatland County, are in the first phase of developing municipal decision support tools related to large scale wind and solar energy development applications. We are currently gathering baseline information from rural decision makers related to these types of renewable energy developments.

[Learn more...](#)

Member Bulletins

AHS Launches New Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council – Seeking Members

Alberta Health Services has a new Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council and are seeking members. Applications are currently being accepted. The deadline for submissions is **September 22, 2017**.

[Learn more...](#)

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

Job Postings

Town of High Level
Water Treatment Plant Operator

Director of Finance

Town of Drayton Valley
Communications and

Announcements

Register Today for RiskPro 2017!

Jubilee Insurance is pleased to announce the presentation of RiskPro 2017 to be held this September at three locations throughout the Province. In response to overwhelming member feedback, we are once again offering two day insurance and risk symposiums. The symposiums will benefit our municipal members as well as those from the Alberta Seniors Housing Association.

[Download your registration form here!](#)

[Learn more...](#)

2017 Federal Gas Tax Fund - Alberta Municipal Asset Management Survey

Municipal Affairs is requesting your participation in the 2017 Federal Gas Tax Fund - Alberta Municipal Asset Management Survey. The results of the survey will enable Alberta to report on municipal progress in asset management, which is a requirement under the Federal Gas Tax Fund Agreement that Alberta has with the Government of Canada. Survey results will also be used to help identify opportunities to provide municipalities with additional supports and resources in asset management. Please complete the survey by **September 15, 2017**.

[Learn more...](#)

Understanding Alberta's Government

Journalist and political analyst Paul McLoughlin returns to CSAE on **October 11, 2017**, bringing his insights about the current Alberta political situation and how government makes its policy decisions.

[Learn more...](#)

The Importance of Rural Transportation to Alberta citizens: Information Day

Lots is happening in rural transportation - and we all need to know about it! Communities, organizations and individuals have lots to share. Come ready to tell your rural transportation successes, perspectives and questions.

[Learn more...](#)

Marketing Coordinator

MD of Provost

Municipal Auditor

Lac La Biche County

Records & Information Management Coordinator

Planning & Development Clerk

CSR Supervisor

[Click here to view our job board.](#)

Upcoming Events

District 1 Meeting
September 15, 2017

District 5 Meeting
September 22, 2017



CANADA 150

As Canada celebrates it's 150th Birthday, please **send us** information or pictures of your municipalities celebration so we can share them.

Looking for information from a previous issue?

Rural Alberta Innovation and Learning Commons: September 29 to October 1

The Rural Alberta Innovation and Learning (RAIL) Commons conference will be occurring at Olds College from September 29 to October 1. RAIL Commons is exceptional learning forum for councillors, mayors, CAOs, EDOs, economic and community development professionals, and students.

[Learn more...](#)

Preliminary 2018 Equalized Assessment

The preliminary 2018 equalized assessment (EA) is available for review through the *milenet* ASSET system. This EA has been prepared using your municipality's 2016 property assessment data (2017 tax year), as reported to the province by your municipality's designated assessor.

To obtain your municipality's preliminary 2018 EA please log in to the *milenet* system at www.milenet.ca and refer to the instructions [here](#).

Please take this opportunity to review the preliminary EA for completeness and accuracy by comparing:

- the assessment data shown in the column title "Municipality's Reported Assessment" to the municipality's current 2016 assessment year data; and
- [the Comparison Report](#) which is being included for the first time to provide municipalities with insight into the EA changes. Please note that the 2018 and 2017 EA will reflect declared revised assessments reported as of August 25, 2017.

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Where It All Starts: Rural Alberta with the AAMDC
featuring Doug!

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Reminders

Send AAMDC Your Feedback on the MGA Regulations

Following the passing of the *Municipal Government Amendment Act* (2015) and the *Modernized Municipal*

Government Act (2016), a number of regulations had to be updated or created. The second round of these regulations are now available for review. Alberta Municipal Affairs has allowed feedback and input during this 60-day comment period which ends **September 22, 2017**.

[Learn more...](#)

2017 R.W. Hay Award: Call for Nominations

The AAMDC extends an invitation to member municipalities to nominate outstanding rural administrators for the R.W. Hay Award for Rural Administrative Excellence. Any chief administrative officer that has served or is serving in the current calendar year in an AAMDC member municipality is eligible to be nominated. The **deadline for nominations is September 22, 2017**.

[Learn more...](#)

Occupational Health and Safety System Review - Seeking Member Input

The Government of Alberta is reviewing the Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) system and is looking for feedback from key stakeholders including municipalities. The review examines the legislation, as well as our compliance, enforcement, education, awareness and prevention efforts. The deadline to submit your input is **October 16, 2016**.

[Learn more...](#)

Munis 101 Schedule Change – Course Now Offered on Weekend in Peace River

Based on requests from several municipalities in northern Alberta, the EOEP has revised their schedule for Munis 101 courses offered within the mandatory ninety-day councillor training timeframe established in the amended *Municipal Government Act*.

[Learn more...](#)

Apply for FCM's 2018 Sustainable Communities Awards today

There's still time to nominate your community for FCM's 2018 Sustainable Communities Awards. The awards recognize innovative municipal sustainability projects in asset management, brownfields, climate change, energy, sustainable neighbourhood revitalization and design, transportation, waste, and water. The application deadline is **September 15, 2017**.

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In the News

- [No end to pine beetle battle](#) in Alberta, experts say
- Update 6: [Southwestern Alberta fire situation](#) (Sept 13, 5:15 pm)
- [Editorial: Pipeline victim](#) of overreach
- Graham Thomson: Connecting the dots — [NDP environmental policy](#) and hurricane Irma
- [Plant fungus creeping northwest](#), infecting Alberta fields
- [Why governments miscalculate](#) your risk of flooding
- [Diversifying economies](#) in coal communities
- [Federal pot plan set](#) for scrutiny at parliamentary hearings
- [Government to unveil 'Alberta Cannabis Framework'](#) this fall: spokesperson
- [Pot-related policing, border enforcement efforts](#) to get \$274M from Ottawa
- [Alberta minister blasts National Energy Board's](#) 'historic overreach' on Energy East pipeline
- Governments of Canada, [Alberta invest in transit](#)
- [Clash over caribou](#), jobs in Whitecourt
- [TransCanada seeking 30-day suspension](#) of Energy East application
- [Parliament is back in session soon](#): a legislative primer
- Mending fences and facing critics: [How Alberta's NDP spent the summer](#)



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