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THE VOICE FOR RURAL ALBERTA

## Featured:

### DEADLINE APPROACHING: Send 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. The deadline for feedback to Alberta Municipal Affairs on the MGA Regulations is September 22, 2017.

[Learn more...](#)

## Member Bulletins

### AAMDC Climate Change Position Statements Now Available

As part of our advocacy efforts, the AAMDC regularly develops position statements that summarize the AAMDC's positions on key policy areas. With the recent release of the *AAMDC Climate Change Advisory Committee Final Report*, climate change-specific position statements are now available.

[Learn more...](#)

### Broadband Connectivity in Rural Canada – Submit your brief!

The House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology is undertaking a study on

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

### Job Postings

Town of Millet  
**Director of Public Services**

Lethbridge County  
**Waste and Wastewater Operator**

Sturgeon County  
**Assessment Technician**

broadband connectivity in rural Canada. As part of their process, the Committee is encouraging interested stakeholders to submit their views through a brief.

[Learn more...](#)

## Infrastructure and Asset Management Alberta (IAMA) Workshop on October 11<sup>th</sup> – Mark your calendar!

Infrastructure and Asset Management Alberta (IAMA) is hosting a workshop in Red Deer on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 focused on advancing your asset management program. IAMA is a network of professionals, organizations, and agencies with an interest in infrastructure or asset management.

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# Announcements

## Fall 2017 Convention Registration **Now Live!**

Registration for the Fall 2017 Convention, Banquet, and Partners Program is now open!

[Learn more...](#)

## CERI 2017 Electricity Conference

As Canada debates our move toward a lower carbon future, choices must be made. How much do we rely on traditional generation and the traditional grid? How far do we advance technologies and distribution networks? Can carbon capture and storage play a role in the new energy system? Will energy storage systems live up to promised performance? How do demand management and electric vehicles impact the overall demand?

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# Reminders

City of Leduc  
**Facility Operator**

Town of High Level  
**Water Treatment Plant Operator**

**Director of Finance**

Town of Drayton Valley  
**Communications and Marketing Coordinator**

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

## Upcoming Events

District 5 Meeting  
September 22, 2017

District 3 Meeting  
October 2, 2017



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?*

## 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...](#)

## 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...](#)

## 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...](#)

## 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

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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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October 16, 2016.

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## 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*.

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## In the News

- Alberta [agriculture societies unsure of funding status](#) with the province
- [Alberta supports growth](#) in agri-food sector
- [Time hasn't run out on Alberta debate](#) about twice-yearly clock changes, premier says
- [Municipal cooperation](#): Have your say
- [Busing big issue](#) at School Act talks
- New AMA president says [Alberta needs more physicians in rural areas](#)
- Why [Canadian cell phone bills are among the most expensive](#) on the planet
- [Red Deer seeks City Charter powers](#) under Municipal Government Act
- [Council endorses Bill 21](#), Bill 8 transition plan
- Protected or not, [Canadian species are in serious decline](#): WWF report



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