



News Bulletin

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Latest News

2019 Canadian Infrastructure Report Card



Monitoring the State of Canada's Core Public Infrastructure

[FULL REPORT - 2019 Canadian Infrastructure Report Card](#)

This year's report provides a timely update on the state of Canada's public infrastructure across all core public infrastructure asset categories: roads and bridges; culture, recreation and sports facilities; potable water; wastewater; stormwater; public transit; and solid waste. It finds that the state of our infrastructure is at risk, which should be cause for concern for all Canadians. In order to change course, Canada's public infrastructure will require significant attention in the coming decades.

Province streamlines approach to drainage

On October 2, 2019, the Province of Manitoba issued a [press release](#) regarding its new streamlined approach to drainage under *The Water Rights Act*.

Key regulation points:

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- 14-day approval period for registrable drainage projects
- Exemption for 'like-for-like' municipal culvert replacements
- Ability to bundle project applications under certain conditions
- Increased application fees (registrable projects: \$25 to \$100; licensed projects: \$25 to \$500)
- [NEW online Water Licensing Portal](#) to track applications and map water control works

The AMM is mindful of the potential effects of a fee increase on encouraging potential illegal drainage and therefore believes the impact of the fee increase should be closely monitored to ensure its effectiveness on speeding up the licensing process and reducing the existing backlog. We are also working with Manitoba Sustainable Development to ensure greater flexibility is provided to municipalities regarding municipal 'sign-off' stipulations; we feel municipalities should be able to determine what types of projects they want to be made aware of and have control over within their jurisdictions.

Going forward, the AMM will be closely monitoring the implementation of these regulations and impacts on our members. We will also continue to provide regular updates as more information becomes available.

Province launches Manitoba Works Plan



Manitoba Works outlines a number of broad actions to support economic growth and the creation of 40,000 private sector jobs over the next four years. As the Manitoba government advances this commitment and the [Economic Growth Action Plan](#), they want to hear from business, industry and stakeholders about specific actions and initiatives that you feel will create the conditions for growth in our economy.

To share your views, please complete the survey at www.manitoba.ca/manitobaworks/index.html by **Friday, October 25, 2019**.

For more information, click [HERE](#).

Public Consultation on AAC Recommendations for a Transportation Accessibility Standard

On behalf of the Accessibility Advisory Council (AAC), the Disabilities Issues Office requests your assistance in obtaining feedback from your network on a future accessibility standard for transportation.

As required by [The Accessibility for Manitoban's Act](#), the AAC has posted its Discussion Paper on its Recommendations for a Transportation Accessibility Standard on www.AccessibilityMB.ca. As explained in the attached letter, Council invites organizations and individuals to make submissions to access@gov.mb.ca by **November**



2019 Convention Registration NOW OPEN!

Early-Bird Registration available until October 21!

Click [HERE](#) for more information

Manitoba Launches Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program

The Manitoba government has officially launched the [Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program \(ICIP\)](#), a program that will invest a combined more than \$3 billion across the province over the next 10 years. [Backgrounder](#).

Coming this Fall to RRC

[Building Code Courses Brochure](#) with [registration form](#)

[Water & Wastewater Refresher Courses](#) with [registration form](#)

[Onsite Wastewater Management Systems Installers Certification Course](#) with [registration form](#)



Specialty Programs offered by the Trading Company to AMM Members

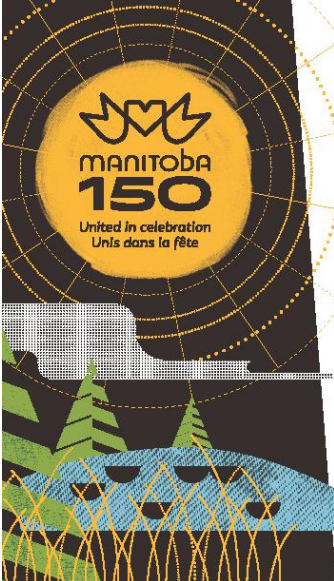
Exciting new feature called GROUP

20, 2019.


The AAC also invites you and your network to attend, in person or via webinar, a public consultation at the Viscount Gort Hotel, Main Floor, 1670 Portage Avenue in the afternoon of **November 7, 2019**. Please see the [attachment](#) for further details.


Manitoba 150 Funding Available

Program guidelines and application details are available at Manitoba150.com




2020 marks the 150th anniversary of Manitoba becoming a Province. We invite all Manitobans to join us as we celebrate our past and build legacies for our future.

BUILD 150 | PRESENTED BY  RICHARDSON FOUNDATION
Leave a lasting legacy across the province. Apply for funding and see your community project come to life!

HONOUR 150 | PRESENTED BY  CANADA LIFE
Recognize today's community champions with a Manitoba 150 medal. Nominate someone today!

CELEBRATE 150
Host a Manitoba 150 celebration in your community. Apply for funding and make 2020 memorable!

Program guidelines and application details are available at MANITOBA150.COM

DISCOVER OUR BEAUTY, MEET OUR PEOPLE. EXPERIENCE OUR CULTURE, EXPLORE OUR HISTORY  FUNDING PARTNER

PSCS FAQ for Municipalities

As the decades-old FleetNet emergency communications system is currently being replaced, municipalities will start transitioning to the new Public Safety Communications Service (PSCS) in 2020.

Engineered to be highly reliable, the PSCS is based on modern communications standards and will be built with modern infrastructure and equipment.

Compatible radios are available for sale at a discount via our Trading Company.

Click [HERE](#) for the PSCS FAQ

Alcom Electronic Communications

New **EXCLUSIVE** Official Supplier for Motorola Commercial and Professional Two-way Radio Equipment



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TRAINING SESSIONS.

Group training allows you to add third party training or classroom training completion data to their participant training files within Safetyhub.

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Conflict: Is it really what you said?

People First HR's David Grad discusses the importance of assessing the role of our relationships in a conflict in an 'Ask the Expert' article linked [HERE](#) for AMM members.

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AMM Board selects NEW Executive Director



Denys Volkov

Following an extensive and thorough search facilitated by a professional HR Service, the AMM Board of Directors is proud to announce **Denys Volkov** as the AMM's new Executive Director **effective January 1, 2020**.

Since joining the AMM in 2011, Denys has been an instrumental part of the AMM team in his capacity as Director of Advocacy and Communications. Over the past eight years, Denys has worked hard on addressing many policy files and priorities of AMM members, and the AMM Board of Directors is confident that he will continue to advance our advocacy efforts and grow our Trading Company while leading our association forward.

Ultimately, Denys's skills, vision for the AMM's future, and his extensive knowledge of municipal Manitoba based on 14 years of professional work experience within the sector make him the ideal person to take over from outgoing Executive Director Joe Masi.

The AMM Board looks forward to working with Denys in his new capacity, and wishes to express their deep appreciation to Joe Masi for leaving the AMM on such a solid foundation. Our association is very proud and thankful to Joe for his dedication and leadership over the last twenty years, which has been recognized by his counterparts nation-wide.

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