

### News Bulletin

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Dear Subscriber,

We hope you enjoy this edition of the AMM News Bulletin. A <u>PDF version</u> of the bulletin is available on our website.

### **Latest News**

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Back row L to R: Mayor Bruce Henley. RM of West St. Paul; Doug Eyolfson, MP for Charleswood-St. James-Assiniboia-Headingley; Ron Schuler, MLA for St. Paul; Terry Duguid, MP for Winnipeg South; President Chris Goertzen. Front Row L to R: The Hon. Eileen Clarke, Minister of Indigenous and Municipal Relations; The Hon. MaryAnn Mihychuk, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour

On July 25, President Chris Goertzen witnessed the signing of an agreement for more than \$178 million in federal infrastructure funding available. Manitoba was one of the first provinces in Canada to sign the joint agreement, and is also the only jurisdiction with municipal representatives involved in the project selection process. More

#### **Cosmetic Pesticide Ban Review**



The AMM met with the Honourable
Catherine Cox, Minister of Sustainable
Development on June 6, 2016 and
encouraged her to review the Non-Essential
Pesticide Use Regulation. The Province of
Manitoba has since announced it will review
the regulation and consult with Manitobans
about their experiences with the

legislation. Manitobans can email submissions to:

pesticide.review.2016@gov.mb.ca or respond through an
online survey.

The AMM has submitted a letter outlining its concerns with the regulation. We encourage you to review the letter <a href="here">here</a> and use it to assist you in making a submission on behalf of your municipality.

Submissions will be accepted until September 12, 2016. Please make your views known.

### **Notices**

#### **Biomass Energy Support Program**

Applications are currently being accepted for the Biomass Energy Support Program, which is funded under Growing Forward 2.

## Annual Convention

November 21-23, 2016

RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg

Visit our <u>website</u> for more info!

# AMM Education Workshop

Friday, October 7, 2016 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Clarion Hotel & Suites -Winnipeg

Trainer: Priti Shah, Praxis Conflict Consulting



Registrant sign-in: 8:15 am \$135 plus GST

Register here

## SWANA Fall Courses

Manager of Landfill Operations November 7-9, 2016 Exam Date: November 10, 2016

**Member Registration** 

Non-Member Registration Funding can be used to convert coal heating systems to use biomass as the fuel source. Eligible biomass fuels include:

- agricultural residue such as wheat and flax straw, sunflower hulls or compacted biomass-like wheat and oat pellets;
- forestry residues such as wood chips or salvaged timber; and
- biomass crops such as switchgrass, willow and poplar.

The deadline to apply for research and capital upgrade grants from the Biomass Energy Support Program is Sept. 30. For more information about the program and how to apply, visit:

<u>www.manitoba.ca/agriculture/innovation-and-research/biomass-energy-support-program.html</u>.

#### **Share Your Views concerning stewardship program plans**

Manitoba Sustainable Development wants to hear what you have to say about the stewardship plans for the following programs:

- Packaging and Printed Paper Program
- Household Hazardous Waste Stewardship Program
- End-of-Life Electronics Stewardship Program
- Tire Stewardship Program
- Battery Stewardship Program (primary and rechargeable batteries)
- Manitoba Stewardship Program for Lead-Acid Batteries
- Manitoba Medications Return Program
- Manitoba Stewardship Program for Mercury-Containing Thermostats

You can review the plans at greenmanitoba.ca/new-stewardship-plans or on Manitoba Sustainable Development's public registry: <a href="www.manitoba.ca/conservation/eal/registries/index.html">www.manitoba.ca/conservation/eal/registries/index.html</a>. You may request printed copies of the plan by calling 204-945-0578 or 1-866-460-3118.

Please provide any feedback to: <a href="mailto:stewardship@greenmanitoba.ca">stewardship@greenmanitoba.ca</a>.

#### The deadline for comments on the new plans is OCTOBER 4, 2016.

#### Have Your Say: Phase 2 of Canada's Infrastructure Plan

The Government of Canada plans to invest \$120 billion over the next 10 years to build strong, inclusive and sustainable communities, and they want to hear from you. Phase 1 is already underway, and the Government of Canada is inviting you to share your views on Phase 2 of Canada's infrastructure plan.

You can provide feedback in five ways: eWorkbooks, discussion forums, photo and video submissions, written submissions, and community-led events.

To join the conversation on the Government of Canada's infrastructure plan, <u>visit their website</u> or send a tweet to <u>@INFC\_eng</u> using the hashtag <u>#INFRAconsults</u>.

## Landfill Operations Basics

November 14-15, 2016

#### **Member Registration**

Non-Member Registration

Location:

<u>Best Western Plus</u>

Winnipeg



September 27-28, 2016 Delta Winnipeg

Access, Privacy, Security & Information Management Conference

Visit the conference website for more details and registration information.

manitobaconnections.ca

#### Classified Ads

Buy and sell your municipal equipment!

Post your ad here.

#### Job Postings

Post your municipal job <u>here</u>.

#### Stay Connected





**Consultations on National Housing Strategy now open** 

The federal government has launched consultations on a <u>National</u> <u>Housing Strategy</u>.

Join Our Mailing List!

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has called for strong engagement of the municipal sector in order to produce a practical and sustainable long-term plan that will help improve housing affordability, an issue facing cities and communities from coast to coast to coast.

Make your voice heard by taking this <u>brief survey</u> or <u>submit your views in</u> <u>writing</u> before <u>October 21, 2016</u>.

#### 2016 Excellence in Sustainability Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2016 Excellence in Sustainability Awards. The awards are open to all Manitoba residents, organizations or businesses and initiatives taking place in the province.

The deadline for nominations and applications is noon on **Friday, Sept. 23.** 

#### **More information**

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