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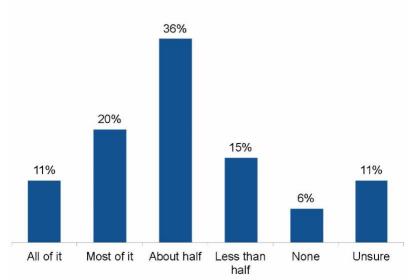
February 22, 2018

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

Majority: carbon tax revenue should go to municipalities



"How much, if any, of any new carbon tax revenues should be earmarked for municipalities?"

On February 20 the AMM presented the results of its recent Probe Research poll asking how much, if any, of any new carbon tax revenues should be earmarked for municipalities.

Out of 1,000 respondents, 67% indicated that municipalities should get between one-half and all of carbon tax revenues.

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Half-Day Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Training Sessions According to President Chris Goertzen, the AMM believes carbon tax revenues should go towards climate-related infrastructure, such as flood readiness and public transit. "Municipalities are front line stewards of the environment that have invested considerably in flood mitigation infrastructure."

Read News Release

AMM meets with Agriculture Minister

On February 20 the AMM met with the Honourable Ralph Eichler, Minister of Agriculture.

One of the priority items discussed was the need for the Province to continue to consult with the AMM when implementing its GRowing Outcomes in Watersheds (GROW)) program to help reduce flooding and improve water management.

Also discussed was hog barn expansion, funding for veterinary services, and farmland beaver damage control.



L to R: President Chris Goertzen, the Hon. Ralph Eichler, and Vice-President Gavin van der Linde

View Position Paper

Who are among Canada's best municipal innovators? Apply today!

At <u>FCMs Innovation Network</u>, we are committed to supporting municipal leaders who represent promising new models that improve decision-making and strengthen delivery of services. That's why we want to name Canada's top 10 municipal innovators.

Showcase yourself, nominate someone else, and share this information with someone you think deserves to be recognized. Applications are due March 19. Criteria and application details are available on our <u>website</u>. Our network of hundreds of <u>collaborators</u> will help us pick among 20 finalists.

Green Jobs Announcement

Recreation Connections Manitoba is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the Summer Work Experience Green Jobs Initiative. This exciting new program will provide direct financial support (via wage subsidies) to municipalities, Indigenous communities and other sector

Hosted by: Manitoba
Sustainable Development Forestry and Peatlands
Branch

Topics:

- Management strategies
- Tree inventory
- Detection techniques
 - Visual surveys
 - Trapping with hands on instruction
 - Branch sampling with hands on instruction

Initial Dates and locations:

- Brandon February 27, 2018
- SteinbachMarch 6, 2018
- Selkirk
 March 15, 2018

Additional dates and locations may be considered, based on expressed interest.

To register, please contact:

Kyla Maslaniec (for <u>Brandon</u> session):

kyla.maslaniec@gov.mb.ca

Sima Feuer (for Steinbach and Selkirk sessions): sima.feuer@gov.mb.ca

Please indicate which training session you wish to participate in, and provide names of all participants from your municipality. Further details will be provided upon registration.

Save the Date: Manitoba Urban Forestry Workshop

March 14, 2018
Canad Inns Destination
Centre
Portage la Prairie

Register Now!

Changing Climate Building Resilience

organizations for new, "green job" employment opportunities for youth.

The Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA) has officially entered into an agreement with the Government of Canada to administer elements of the Summer Work Experience Green Jobs Initiative. Specifically, CPRA will administer this program through municipalities and other sector partners.

Applications must focus on the development of new green jobs for youth. Employers can apply online for a wage subsidy of up to 50% and the maximum subsidy offered is \$5,712.00 for each youth/job. This amount is inclusive of both salary and mandatory employment related costs (MERC). Only one application per organization is allowed, however each application may include requests for multiple summer green jobs. CPRA reserves the right to fund fewer jobs than the number requested based on budget constraints.

To access the full program details, FAQ and application form, click here or visit https://www.cpra.ca/green-jobs/

Application Deadlines:

There are two opportunities to apply for funding for 2018 in order to accommodate organizations that require additional time for approvals:

Round One: February 26, 2018Round Two: March 12, 2018

If you require assistance or have questions, please contact regional manager Diane English at: denglish@prontario.org or 416-426-7306

Regional Meetings: Aligning Conservation Districts to Watersheds

In August 2017, the Manitoba government released a consultation asking for feedback on its proposed approach to modernize the Conservation Districts Program. The "What We Heard" documents can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/sd/consultations/index.html.

The <u>attached map</u> illustrates the proposed boundaries of future watershed districts.

Manitoba Sustainable Development has planned a series of regional meetings for all districts and municipalities to engage in a discussion about the proposed boundaries.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Basin</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| March 6, | Lake | Dauphin Recreational | 1:00 pm - |
| 2018 | Winnipegosis | Services | 4:00 pm |
| | Basin | Lions Den | |
| | | 200 1st Street South East, | |
| | | Dauphin | |
| March 7, | Upper | Tundra Oil and Gas Place | 9:00 am - |
| 2018 | Assiniboine | 900 5th Ave South, Virden | 12:00 pm |

Sustainable Land Use Planning and Watershed Management

March 21st, 2018 8:30AM - 4:00PM Keystone Centre, Brandon

The impacts of current climate variability and the evidence of climate change impacts are continuing to grow and with it our understanding of the challenges we face in adapting to those changes. Building resilience is an important step in preparing to successfully address current and future pressures.

This session is for Municipal Administration and Elected Officials, Conservation Districts, Planning Districts Planners, Government, Agricultural Stakeholders

Objectives:

- Enhance capacity for translating knowledge into action for undertaking integrated climate preparedness planning that supports broader municipal planning and watershed-based priorities.
- Best practices and lessons learned in addressing flooding, excess moisture and water scarcity challenges through distributed storage and green infrastructure initiatives that promote greater resiliency to the impacts of a changing climate in Manitoba.
- Current funding information include the most current Federation of Canadian Municipalities climate adaptation programs.

Register Here

| | River Basin | | |
|-------------------|---|--|----------------------|
| March 8, 2018 | Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipeg Basins | Stride Place Rotary Multi-Purpose Room 245 Royal Rd South, Portage la Prairie | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm |
| March 13, 2018 | Souris River Basin | Souris Memorial Complex Kirkup Lounge 27 3rd Ave West, Souris | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm |
| March 14, 2018 | Red River Basin | La Salle Community Centre Corner of Provincial Road 247E & Highway 330, La Salle | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm |

Please RSVP with names of attendees to Rhonda Dyck at Rhonda.Dyck@gov.mb.ca by March 1st.

If you have any questions about these meetings, please contact me at (204) 945-8271 or Erin.Dunbar@gov.mb.ca.

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Grand & Toy February Deals

There's still time to take advantage of our February Deal Sheets!



<u>February Cleaning Essentials for Every Workplace</u>
<u>February's Spotlight on Furniture you can Work With</u>
<u>Technology Deals for February</u>

Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) | 204-857-8666 | lbereza@amm.mb.ca | http://www.amm.mb.ca | 1910 Saskatchewan Ave. W | Portage la Prairie, R1N 0P1

Accommodations at Canad Inns Destination Centre Brandon (\$129 per night) under Eco-West until March 10th

A more detailed agenda will follow.
Should you have any questions about the event, do not hesitate to contact

do not hesitate to contact Eco-West Canada: Josée Lemoine at 204-770-3811 or jlemoine@eco-ouest.com

Landfill Operation Basics Cours

April 11 & 12 - Dauphin June 6 & 7 - Flin Flon

For more information, visit the

SWANA Northern Lights website.