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News Release

Majority of Manitobans say carbon tax revenue should go to municipalities

Winnipeg, February 20, 2017 – The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) recently commissioned a [Probe Research poll](#) asking how much, if any, of any new carbon tax revenues should be earmarked for municipalities.

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.”

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

Only 21% of Manitobans felt municipalities should get less than one-half of the revenue, while 11% were unsure.

“These numbers are convincing, and they also demonstrate that Manitobans believe that municipalities deserve a ‘fair share’ of the anticipated revenues to help local communities adapt to climate change and respond to its effects,” stated President Goertzen.

“Climate change represents a significant challenge, while an enhanced provincial-municipal partnership will be required to build a greener and more climate-resilient province.”

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