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# NEWS RELEASE

## AMM CONCLUDES SUCCESSFUL 2020 CENTRAL DISTRICT VISITS

**January 10, 2020** - The AMM toured the Central District of the province earlier this week and met with local Councils from a number of municipalities. The AMM makes it a priority to visit each of its member municipalities at least once during each four-year election cycle.

The AMM delegation visited the RM of Macdonald, RM of Thompson, City of Winkler, Municipality of Lorne, RM of Grey, RM of Cartier, and RM of Headingley.

Members of the AMM delegation included President Ralph Groening, Vice-Presidents Kam Blight and Brad Saluk, Central District Directors Martin Harder and Morris Olafson, and Executive Director Denys Volkov.

"Meeting one-on-one with local Councils as well as discussing the challenges and opportunities they are facing is invaluable, as it allows AMM to more effectively advocate on behalf of all municipalities," stated AMM President Ralph Groening.

"During our discussions, we heard first-hand about the great work local Councils are doing to grow Manitoba. The importance of the municipal-provincial government partnership cannot be understated as we work together to keep not just our region growing but all of Manitoba," noted Mayor of Winkler and AMM Central District Director Martin Harder.

"Additional themes that emerged from our discussions focused on infrastructure funding, rural crime prevention and police services, economic development, and drainage. Local insights regarding these issues are extremely helpful while the AMM advocates for change to benefit all municipalities across Manitoba," added Morris Olafson, Reeve of RM of Stanley and AMM Central District Director.

The AMM represents all 137 municipalities in Manitoba.

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*AMM delegation group photo outside the RM of Grey Municipal Office (Pictured L-R: AMM Vice-President Brad Saluk, AMM President Ralph Groening, AMM Central District Director Martin Harder, AMM Vice-President Kam Blight, AMM Central District Director Morris Olafson)*

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