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AMM Western Director's Update

Councillor Rhonda Coupland
Councillor Scott Phillips

As your AMM Board Directors, we are pleased to provide an update on the issues we discussed at the last Board meeting that was held on **June 27, 2024**.

While the AMM Board maintains the policy of confidentiality regarding ongoing discussions with the provincial government and stakeholders, we are pleased to share some of the topics with you.

If you should have any questions about any of the following items, please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications.

Accessible Information and Communication Standard

On May 1, 2024, *the Accessible Information and Communication Standard* came into force for public sector organizations, Manitoba's ten cities, libraries and education institutions. The standard focuses on removing and preventing barriers that exist digitally, in print or through interaction with technology and people. Please note that all other municipalities will be required to comply with this legislation by May 1, 2025.

The AMM has long advocated for increased funding to implement these standards and ensure the Department provides the necessary tools and resources for a smooth transition to compliance. As a result of these efforts, the Department has created a new online training module available anytime, anywhere. Additionally, the online learning portal features downloadable, standard-specific modules for use within organizations' internal learning management systems. The AMM is collaborating with the Manitoba Accessibility Office (MAO) to facilitate a dedicated webinar on the

standard this fall to ensure all municipalities are ready to meet the forthcoming legislative requirements. Please stay tuned for more information.

Provincial Public Safety Initiatives

In May, the Manitoba government hosted a Public Safety Summit as part of its commitment to making Manitobans feel safer at home, school and work and to discuss pathways to reduce crime, keep communities safe and address the root causes of crime.

The Summit brought together a variety of community leaders from across Manitoba, and sessions included topics on mental health, addictions and homelessness, youth violence, gender base violence and MMIWAG2s+, rural and northern safety, access to justice and victim services, law enforcement, organized crime and strengthening the Criminal Code. Further to this, the AMM was pleased to have senior Justice staff as well as the Hon. Matt Wiebe, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, attend the AMM June District Meetings and host public safety roundtable sessions to build off the Summit. The feedback from both initiatives will be incorporated into a province-wide strategy to reduce crime and make communities safer that is expected to be released later this summer or early fall.

Pipeline Assessment Consultation Update

In April 2024, the provincial government held an information session regarding potential changes to the pipeline assessment methodology for all municipalities. According to their presentation, 84 municipalities will be impacted either directly or indirectly by these changes. The AMM has been actively discussing this issue with the department and has received several letters from members outlining specific concerns about the impact on their municipalities.

During the tax impact meetings scheduled between May and June 2024, the department provided municipality-specific information. We encourage members to send any comments or concerns directly to the AMM office. We will also continue to relay these concerns to the Department.

Bill 37 Review Update

Manitoba is required by law to undertake a comprehensive review of recent amendments made to *The Planning Act and The City of Winnipeg Charter* (former Bill 37 and Bill 34), that includes public representations, by October 29, 2024.

Braid Solutions Inc. is conducting the independent assessment of the legislative amendments and facilitating stakeholder engagement.

AMM has supported Braid to identify municipal stakeholders to participate in this process. As part of this effort, a virtual questionnaire will be released for municipal government and administration leaders to contribute to the online consultation. Additionally, all municipalities in the province will be asked to provide data on

development and planning approvals, including financial costs and administrative burdens, to assess the impacts since the legislation was introduced.

In the coming weeks, the AMM will provide a formal submission. In the meantime, if you would like to reference our language in your own submissions, please see the following information below:

- [2024 News Release: Local Elected Leaders Should Have Final Say Over Developments in Local Communities](#)
- [Speaking Notes: Bill 33: The Municipal Assessment Amendment and Municipal Board Amendment Act](#)
- [2022 Submission: Bill 34: The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act](#)
- [2021 News Release: Bill 37 Clears Standing Committee with Amendments, Municipal Concerns Remain](#)
- [2021 Speaking Notes: Bill 37: The Planning Amendment and City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment Act](#)
- [2020 News Release: Bill 37: Much Improved, Although Significant Risks Remain](#)

Upcoming AMM Fall Convention

We would like to thank all the municipalities that hosted the AMM June District Meetings and to all the delegates who attended, making these meetings a success.

We are now gearing up for the Fall Convention, which will be held in the City of Winnipeg from November 25-27, 2024. Please mark your calendars and stay tuned for upcoming advisories and [monitor our website](#) for registration and agenda information.

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AMM and MMA members are encouraged to contact AMM staff if they have questions or concerns regarding any municipal policy issue. Please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications, at **204-856-2371** or [**nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca**](mailto:nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca).



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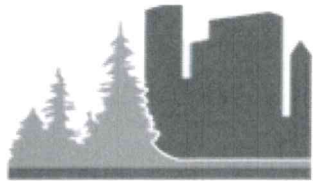


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LATEST UPDATES

AMM Meeting with the Honourable Uzoma Asagwara, Minister of Health, Seniors and Long-term Care



July 10, 2024 - AMM wishes to thank the Honourable Uzoma Asagwara - Minister of Health, Seniors and Long-term Care for meeting to discuss municipal priorities.

2024 MB Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care Position Paper

Manitoba Government Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention and Response Plan

The Manitoba government has released Manitoba's Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention and Response Plan, a comprehensive, proactive plan to prevent AIS from spreading into Manitoba waters and minimize the impacts of AIS on the environment, economy and recreation. - Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources Minister Jamie Moses and Environment and Climate Change Minister Tracy Schmidt

Click [HERE](#) for the full Provincial News Release

Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program New Intake for Applications

The Government of Canada is investing in retrofits, repairs, and upgrades to existing community buildings – making them greener and more accessible – and construction of new publicly accessible ones in underserved communities.

The online application portal will be open on **August 1, 2024**, for **small and medium retrofit projects**, and on **September 4, 2024**, for **large retrofit projects and new builds**. Both intake streams will close on **October 16, 2024, at 3:00 p.m., ET**.

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2024 DFO Outreach Information Sessions DFO Legislation and Conducting Projects Near Water

Introductory Overview of DFO's Regulatory Instruments

An introductory overview of DFO's Regulatory Instruments for project specific review, the Projects Near Water Website and the Species at Risk permit and Fisheries Act Authorization process. This includes an overview of the Application Process and Timelines including where Indigenous Consultation fits into the Authorization Process

This outreach session is intended for people who plan to work near and/or in water and are looking for introductory information on the regulatory review process within DFO.

Each session is anticipated to have a 60 minute presentation by DFO, followed by ~30 minute question and answer period.

Dates for DFO Legislation and Conducting Projects Near Water sessions are noted below:

Session 1 – Join us Thursday, [September 19, 2024 @12:00 – 1:30 pm EST](#)

Session 2 – Join us Thursday, [November 21, 2024 @ 12:00-1:30 pm EST](#)

For more information regulatory requirements and guidance on how to avoid and mitigate impacts to fish and fish habitat: [Projects Near Water Website](#)

Canadian Red Cross Initiatives



[N95 Respirator Masks for Free](#)

Organizations located in communities at risk of exposure to wildfire smoke that may impact air quality can request to receive N95 respirator masks by filling out the online request form available here: redcross.ca/maskdistribution.

[Be Ready, Prepare for Extreme Heat](#)

Extreme heat events are becoming more frequent, intense, and longer in Canada. These events are exacerbated in urban areas like Winnipeg. Extreme heat events can significantly impact health and claim lives. This pamphlet presents simple actions that can be taken to reduce extreme heat risk and help keep individuals and communities safe.

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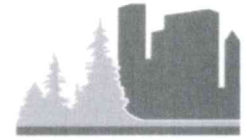
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Join **Lisa Anderson**, Director of Strategic HR Consulting from People First HR Services as she builds on from the 'Exploring Team Dysfunction' breakout session at the 2024 Spring Convention and takes team performance and collaboration to a new level.

Structured around Patrick Lencioni's 'The Five Dysfunctions of a Team', this full-day session will explore the common pitfalls that hinder effective teamwork and provide strategies to build trust among team members, look at healthy conflict management, study what it means to commit to common goals, understand how to hold each other accountable and how to communicate more effectively.

Participants will learn:

- Trust as the Foundation of Effective Teams.
- The Role of Conflict in a Team.
- Fostering Commitment in the Team.

- 'Team One' Concept: Accountability to each other.
- The Need to Focus on Results.
- Perspective: Understanding Styles and Communication.
- Moving Forward as a Stronger Team.

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre, Portage la Prairie

Fee: \$155.00 plus GST per person

REGISTRATION AVAILABLE UNTIL 9:00 AM ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2024, UNLESS CAPACITY IS REACHED BEFORE THAT DATE.

AMM will invoice following the events.

Registration transfers will be accommodated. Cancellations will not be accepted.

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MEMBER ADVISORY

Universal Broadband Fund's Manitoba Call for Expressions of Interest

NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED).

July 24, 2024 - In June 2019, the Government released Canada's Connectivity Strategy with the objective of bringing access to Internet speeds of at least 50/10 Megabytes per second (Mbps) to all households by 2030. Since then, federal, provincial and private sector investments have been bridging our country's connectivity gap. This includes federal investments being made through the \$3.225 billion Universal Broadband Fund (UBF).

In 2017, 69.8% of households in Manitoba had access to speeds of 50/10 Mbps. It is projected that by 2026, 95.1% of households in the province will have access. As such, while significant progress is being made, more needs to be done on the path to 100% access by 2030.

Today, a special call for interest is being launched for Manitoba, inviting eligible applicants under the UBF to express their interest in developing a proposal to connect underserved households in the province in areas which remain without access to Internet speeds of 50/10 Mbps. **Funding is currently available until March 31, 2027 and projects must be completed by that date.**

The focus of this call for interest is on the most dense areas without service as indicated by the attached map. Densely populated areas outside of this map are either already considered served or will be served through existing projects, including those under the UBF.

Under the UBF, eligible applicants are:

1. Canadian entities or groups of Canadian entities that operate broadband infrastructure; or
2. Canadian entities or groups of entities that do not operate broadband infrastructure but have identified a plan to engage an entity or group of entities with experience building, owning, and operating the infrastructure their project(s) is proposing may also be eligible.

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) is interested in hearing from all parties ready to participate in a project to bring improved connectivity underserved households. **Eligible applicants are invited to come forward with expressions of interest until September 27, 2024.** In addition to expressed interest, ISED will require that parties demonstrate the project is technically feasible, sustainable and financially viable. The maximum amount of funding available for a broadband project is up to 75% of the total eligible costs, or up to 90% of the total eligible costs for projects targeting very remote areas, satellite-dependent and/or Indigenous communities. ISED will work with interested parties to determine if they have a project that meets these criteria.

To submit an expression of interest, or to bring forward your questions including more detailed mapping information, please reach out to: get-connected-branchez-vous@ised-isde.gc.ca. A program official will follow up with you directly in your preferred method of communication.

ISED has tried to be as inclusive as possible in this call out and therefore it is possible you are receiving this message but already have high-speed Internet in your community or have supported a project underway.

We are looking forward to working with you towards our common goal of 100% access to high-speed Internet for all households in Manitoba by 2030.

[Heat Map Here](#).

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

Association of Manitoba Municipalities



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Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program opens applications

NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada.

July 30, 2024 - The federal Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program, which supports retrofits, repairs or upgrades of existing publicly accessible community buildings and the construction of new community buildings, is opening a new application intake:

- **Small and medium retrofits:** Retrofit existing community buildings ranging from \$100,000 to \$2,999,999.
- Applications open **August 1 until October 16 at 3pm ET.**
- **Large retrofits and new builds:** Retrofit existing community buildings or projects to build new community buildings ranging from 3-5 million dollars.
- Applications open **September 4 until October 16 at 3 pm ET.**

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Dear Municipal Officials,

Every year after the AMM Annual Convention, newly passed resolutions are sent to the appropriate government departments for their response. These responses help the AMM to set the direction for its lobbying strategies, although the AMM does not necessarily wait for a response to take action on these issues. We are happy to be able to demonstrate good progress already on some of the new resolutions put forward by our membership last year.

We are sending these responses in an electronic format, as we have in previous years. This will allow you to print off those responses that are of the greatest interest to you and have the other responses on hand for reference.

Please note that initial resolution responses are just the first step in the AMM advocacy process. The AMM follows up on all resolutions during meetings with senior government officials and Ministers. If you are interested in receiving a progress update on any particular resolution, please reach out to AMM staff.

These are outstanding responses that we have received in addition to the responses previously sent:

2023 Resolution response MB Health, Seniors and Long-term Care
2023 Resolution response MB Transportation and Infrastructure

Previous responses emailed to membership:

2023 Resolution response from Minister of Advanced Education and Training
2023 Resolution response from Minister of Agriculture
2023 MB Consumer Protection and Government Services
2023 Resolution response from Minister of Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources
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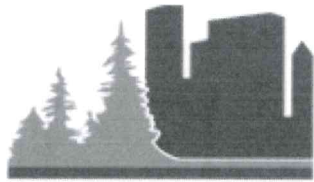


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LATEST UPDATES

AMM Facing Problems with Municipal Roads on a Provincial Scale

Since February, unexpected spring-like conditions and heavy traffic have wreaked havoc on municipal roads. Brad Saluk, Vice President of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) and Reeve for the RM of Brokenhead, weighed in on the current situation.

“The winter weather conditions and heavy truck traffic on these roads have caused hundreds of thousands of dollars in damage,” Saluk shared. “Which, normally, we would never anticipate happening in the middle of February. I know, in some municipalities, they're still not even caught up fixing the amount of damage that has occurred from the spring yet. It's unbearable that you can even have the municipality dealing with this in the middle of July.”

Municipalities have been forced to spread gravel in winter months, creating deep ruts and adding unexpected costs. Continued provincial highway restrictions have pushed more truck traffic onto already damaged municipal roads, further straining budgets.

Saluk emphasized the urgent need for Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) from the provincial government.

[Read full story HERE](#)

Accessible Employment Standard Regulation Review



Manitoba is reviewing the Accessible Employment Standard Regulation to find out what is working well and what needs improvement.

Share your priorities and ideas for change. Click [HERE](#)

Municipal Public Space Recycling Collection Cost and Process Study August 1 – 31, 2024

The Canadian Beverage Container Recycling Association (CBCRA) invites AMM members to participate in a Municipal Public Space Recycling Collection Cost and Process study. The purpose of the study is to assess the costs and processes that municipalities bear as it relates to the recycling of non-alcoholic/non-dairy, ready to drink beverage container recycling. To facilitate the study, CBCRA has contracted [Leger](#), a third-party market research leader in North America, to conduct **confidential** interviews with participants.

Ideal Participant: (if unsure, please reach out)

- Employee of a municipality in Manitoba
- Knowledge of public space recycling collection costs and or processes

Municipal public space locations include, but are not limited to:

*Public facing locations (indoor and outdoor) that include parks, buildings such as arenas, recreation centres, municipal administration buildings etc.

*Non-Public facing locations such as works yards, transit maintenance facilities, office locations etc.

Next Steps:

To participate, email Ashley Simac at Leger - asimac@leger360.com

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From: AMM Communications <nkrawetz-amm.mb.ca@shared1.ccsend.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 7, 2024 3:47 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: Member Advisory - Proposed Amendments to the Power Engineers Regulation (Ice Facility Operators)



MEMBER ADVISORY

Proposed Amendments to the Power Engineers Regulation (Ice Facility Operators)

*NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of
Manitoba Labour and Immigration*

August 7, 2024 - Inspection and Technical Services is seeking your feedback on proposed amendments to the Power Engineers Regulation. These changes aim to introduce a tiered certification system for refrigeration plant operators in Manitoba, aligning certification requirements more closely with the responsibilities and expertise needed for different types of refrigeration facilities.

For more details, please refer to the **attached letter**, which includes links to the **Regulation Information Form** and the **Power Engineers Regulation** on the **Manitoba Regulatory Consultation Portal**.

Please review the proposed amendments and share your thoughts through the consultation portal by **September 22, 2024**.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Rabie Harb, Engineering Services Manager at rabie.harb@gov.mb.ca.

Thank you for your attention and contribution to this important process.

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

Association of Manitoba Municipalities



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Sent: Wednesday, August 7, 2024 2:22 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: Member Advisory - Manitoba Municipal Board Operational Review – External Stakeholder Survey



MEMBER ADVISORY

Manitoba Municipal Board Operational Review - External Stakeholder Survey

NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of the Manitoba Municipal Board

August 7, 2024 - As part of the Municipal Board's ongoing commitment to continuous improvement and quality service delivery, we are conducting an operational review of the current state of operations to identify possible areas of improvement related to human resources, operational processes, and technology and infrastructure. This type of review is typically performed by an external party and aims to identify areas where an organization can improve its operations and achieve its goals more effectively.

The Board has engaged KPMG LLP to undertake this review. The project is underway and targeted to be completed by the end of October 2024.

As a key Board stakeholder, your experiences interacting with, or appearance before, the Board will provide important insights into the current state of operations. Your feedback is valuable, and you are invited to participate in the

active survey. The survey link is available at <https://casurveys.efmfeedback.com/se/50D28DB241B8DE6C>.

This survey will help evaluate the current state of the Board's processes, human resources, and technology maturity. It should take about 15 minutes to complete. All responses will be provided directly to KPMG and findings will not be attributed specifically to any individual or entity. As such, please feel free to be open and share your perspectives on these questions.

The survey will remain open until end of day on Friday, August 23, 2024. If you require any assistance or accommodation to complete the survey, or if you are unable to complete the survey before this date, please contact our Board Secretary, Erin Wills, at Erin.Wills@gov.mb.ca or (204) 945-4014.

At the conclusion of the operational review, KPMG will report directly to the Board on opportunities for improvement, implementation, and a potential future state. Stakeholders and affected parties will receive updates and information about potential changes to operations directly from the Board as changes are implemented on a go-forward basis.

Please also note that this operational review is separate and distinct from the Statutory Review of Planning Legislation currently underway through the Manitoba government's Municipal and Northern Relations department. While there may be parallels in terms of addressing the functionality of the Board, the statutory review is legislatively mandated and specifically focused on amendments to planning legislation that affect the Municipal Board's role in appeals and referrals of planning decisions. The operational review led by KPMG instead is focussed on internal Board processes applicable to all matters within its broad jurisdiction.

Thank you in advance for your valuable participation in this critical project.

Sincerely,

The Manitoba Municipal Board

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov

Norma Will

From: AMM Communications <amm-amm.mb.ca@shared1.ccsend.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 8, 2024 8:30 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: Member Advisory - REMINDER #2: Nomination Information: Executive Committee Election



MEMBER ADVISORY

Nomination Information: Executive Committee Election

August 8, 2024 - The annual AMM Fall Convention will take place in Winnipeg from November 25-27, 2024. There will be elections at this year's convention for the AMM Executive Committee, consisting of the President and two Vice-Presidents. The term of office for the President and Vice-Presidents is two years. The President and Vice-Presidents can be elected to an Executive Committee position in multiple terms.

Executive Committee Nominations:

Municipalities can nominate a municipal official for the President position, Vice-President position, or both, but the official can only accept nomination for and be elected to one position. Nominations for positions on the Executive Committee must be by resolution of Council. Each nomination must be supported by a separate resolution.

Only elected officials of member municipalities are eligible to be President or Vice-President of the AMM Executive Committee.

Nominations for candidates for a position on the Executive Committee must be submitted in writing, accompanied by a supporting Council resolution, to the Executive Director of the AMM. Please submit these by **November 4, 2024**, which is **21 days before** the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention, at:

**1910 Saskatchewan Avenue W
Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 0P1
Attention: Denys Volkov, Executive Director
dvolkov@amm.mb.ca**

No nomination for an Executive Committee position is effective unless the nominee accepts the nomination by giving written notice to the Executive Director **no later than 14 days** before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. For this year's elections, accepted nominations must be received by the Executive Director by no later than **November 12, 2024**.

Any member of the AMM Board of Directors who accepts a nomination for an Executive Committee position vacates their position on the Board effective as of the date the member accepts the nomination.

**** Please note that the AMM Board of Directors made changes to Article 5, Section 2 of By-Law 1998. These changes were approved by members at the AMM Fall Convention in November 2023 and include the following:*

- *THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT nominations for the positions of President and Vice-President shall be made by notice in writing by a Regular Member to the Executive Director no later than **21 days before** the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. The nomination is ineffective unless accepted by the nominee by notice in writing to the Executive Director no later **than 14 days** before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. Nominees can only accept nomination for one position, that is, for the position of President or for Vice-President position, not both.*

These changes will enable all candidates to determine the level of resources they wish to allocate to their campaigns.

Executive Committee election:

President: A candidate for President must receive 50% plus 1 of the total number of votes cast to be elected as President.

Vice-Presidents: The 2 candidates for Vice-President who receive the highest number of votes are elected as Vice-Presidents. There will be a further ballot at the Convention if there is a tie, involving only the tied candidates.

We encourage all municipal officials to attend this year's Fall Convention.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Denys Volkov, Executive Director

204-856-2362

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Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 9:35 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: AMM Education: Conquering Team Dysfunction



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Conquering Team Dysfunction

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*In partnership with People First HR Services, AMM is offering this workshop, that is tailored to the work and operation of municipalities, to support **ALL MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS** on the 'people side' of municipal operation.*

Join **Lisa Anderson**, Director of Strategic HR Consulting from People First HR Services as she builds on from the 'Exploring Team Dysfunction' breakout session at the 2024 Spring Convention and takes team performance and collaboration to a new level.

Structured around Patrick Lencioni's 'The Five Dysfunctions of a Team', this full-day session will explore the common pitfalls that hinder effective teamwork and provide strategies to build trust among team members, look at healthy conflict management, study what it means to commit to common goals, understand how to hold each other accountable and how to communicate more effectively.

Participants will learn:

- Trust as the Foundation of Effective Teams.
- The Role of Conflict in a Team.
- Fostering Commitment in the Team.

- 'Team One' Concept: Accountability to each other.
- The Need to Focus on Results.
- Perspective: Understanding Styles and Communication.
- Moving Forward as a Stronger Team.

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre, Portage la Prairie

Fee: \$155.00 plus GST per person

REGISTRATION OPEN 9:00 AM, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024.

AMM will invoice following the events.

Registration transfers will be accommodated. Cancellations will not be accepted.

[Click here to register for this workshop.](#)

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From: Get-Connected / Branchez-Vous (IC) <get-connected-branchez-vous@ised-isde.gc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2024 8:00 AM
To: Get-Connected / Branchez-Vous (IC)
Subject: Universal Broadband Fund's Manitoba Call for Expressions of Interest / Appel à manifestation d'intérêt du Fonds pour la large bande universelle pour le Manitoba
Attachments: Heat Map - Underserved Households in Manitoba.pdf; Carte de densité - Foyers mal desservis au Manitoba.pdf

(The French text follows / Le message en français suit celui en anglais)

In June 2019, the Government released Canada's Connectivity Strategy with the objective of bringing access to Internet speeds of at least 50/10 Megabytes per second (Mbps) to all households by 2030. Since then, federal, provincial and private sector investments have been bridging our country's connectivity gap. This includes federal investments being made through the \$3.225 billion Universal Broadband Fund (UBF).

In 2017, 69.8% of households in Manitoba had access to speeds of 50/10 Mbps. It is projected that by 2026, 95.1% of households in the province will have access. As such, while significant progress is being made, more needs to be done on the path to 100% access by 2030.

Today, a special call for interest is being launched for Manitoba, inviting eligible applicants under the UBF to express their interest in developing a proposal to connect underserved households in the province in areas which remain without access to Internet speeds of 50/10 Mbps. Funding is currently available until March 31, 2027 and projects must be completed by that date.

The focus of this call for interest is on the most dense areas without service as indicated by the attached map. Densely populated areas outside of this map are either already considered served or will be served through existing projects, including those under the UBF.

Under the UBF, eligible applicants are:

- a) Canadian entities or groups of Canadian entities that operate broadband infrastructure; or
- b) Canadian entities or groups of entities that do not operate broadband infrastructure but have identified a plan to engage an entity or group of entities with experience building, owning, and operating the infrastructure their project(s) is proposing may also be eligible.

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) is interested in hearing from all parties ready to participate in a project to bring improved connectivity underserved households. Eligible applicants are invited to come forward with expressions of interest until September 27, 2024. In addition to expressed interest, ISED will require that parties demonstrate the project is technically feasible, sustainable and financially viable. The maximum amount of funding available for a broadband project is up to 75% of the total eligible costs, or up to 90% of the total eligible costs for projects targeting very remote areas, satellite-dependent and/or Indigenous communities. ISED will work with interested parties to determine if they have a project that meets these criteria.

To submit an expression of interest, or to bring forward your questions including more detailed mapping information, please reach out to: get-connected-branchez-vous@ised-isde.gc.ca. A program official will follow up with you directly in your preferred method of communication.

ISED has tried to be as inclusive as possible in this call out and therefore it is possible you are receiving this message but already have high-speed Internet in your community or have supported a project underway.

We are looking forward to working with you towards our common goal of 100% access to high-speed Internet for all households in Manitoba by 2030.

En juin 2019, le gouvernement du Canada a publié la Stratégie canadienne pour la connectivité dont l'objectif consiste à fournir un accès à des services Internet haute vitesse (50/10 M/bs) à l'ensemble des foyers canadiens d'ici 2030. Depuis lors, des investissements fédéraux, provinciaux et privés ont permis de réduire le déficit de connectivité de notre pays. Cela comprend les investissements fédéraux réalisés dans le cadre du Fonds pour la large bande universelle (FLBU), un fonds jusqu'à hauteur de 3,225 milliards de dollars.

En 2017, 69,8 % des foyers du Manitoba avaient accès à des services Internet à des vitesses de 50/10 M/bs. On prévoit que d'ici 2026, 95,1 % des foyers de la province y auront accès. Par conséquent, même si des progrès significatifs sont en cours de réalisation, davantage reste à faire pour atteindre l'objectif d'un accès à 100 % de la population d'ici 2030.

Aujourd'hui, un appel spécial à une manifestation d'intérêt est lancé pour le Manitoba, invitant les candidats admissibles au FLBU à signaler leur intérêt pour l'élaboration d'une proposition visant à brancher des foyers mal desservis de la province dans les zones qui n'ont toujours pas accès à des services Internet 50/10 M/bs. Le financement est actuellement disponible jusqu'au 31 mars 2027 et les projets doivent être terminés avant cette date.

Le présent appel à une manifestation d'intérêt s'applique aux zones les plus denses dépourvues de services, comme l'indique la carte ci-jointe. Les zones densément peuplées en dehors de cette carte sont soit déjà desservies, soit le seront par le biais de projets en cours, y compris ceux du FLBU. Dans le cadre du FLBU, les candidats admissibles sont les suivants :

- a) Entités canadiennes ou groupes d'entités canadiennes qui exploitent des infrastructures à large bande;
- b) Entités ou groupes d'entités canadiennes qui n'exploitent pas d'infrastructures à large bande, mais qui ont établi un plan pour faire appel à une entité ou à un groupe d'entités ayant l'expérience de la construction, de la propriété et de l'exploitation de l'infrastructure proposée dans le cadre de leur(s) projet(s), peuvent également être admissibles.

Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada (ISDE) souhaite rejoindre tous les intervenants prêts à participer à un projet visant à améliorer la connectivité des foyers mal desservis. Les candidats admissibles sont invités à manifester leur intérêt d'ici le 27 septembre 2024. En plus d'une manifestation d'intérêt, ISDE exigera que les parties démontrent que le projet est techniquement réalisable, durable et financièrement viable. Le montant maximum de financement disponible pour un projet à large bande peut atteindre 75 % du montant total des coûts admissibles, ou jusqu'à 90 % pour les projets ciblant des régions très éloignées, dépendantes du satellite et/ou des communautés autochtones. ISDE travaillera avec les parties intéressées pour déterminer si les projets répondent aux critères du programme.

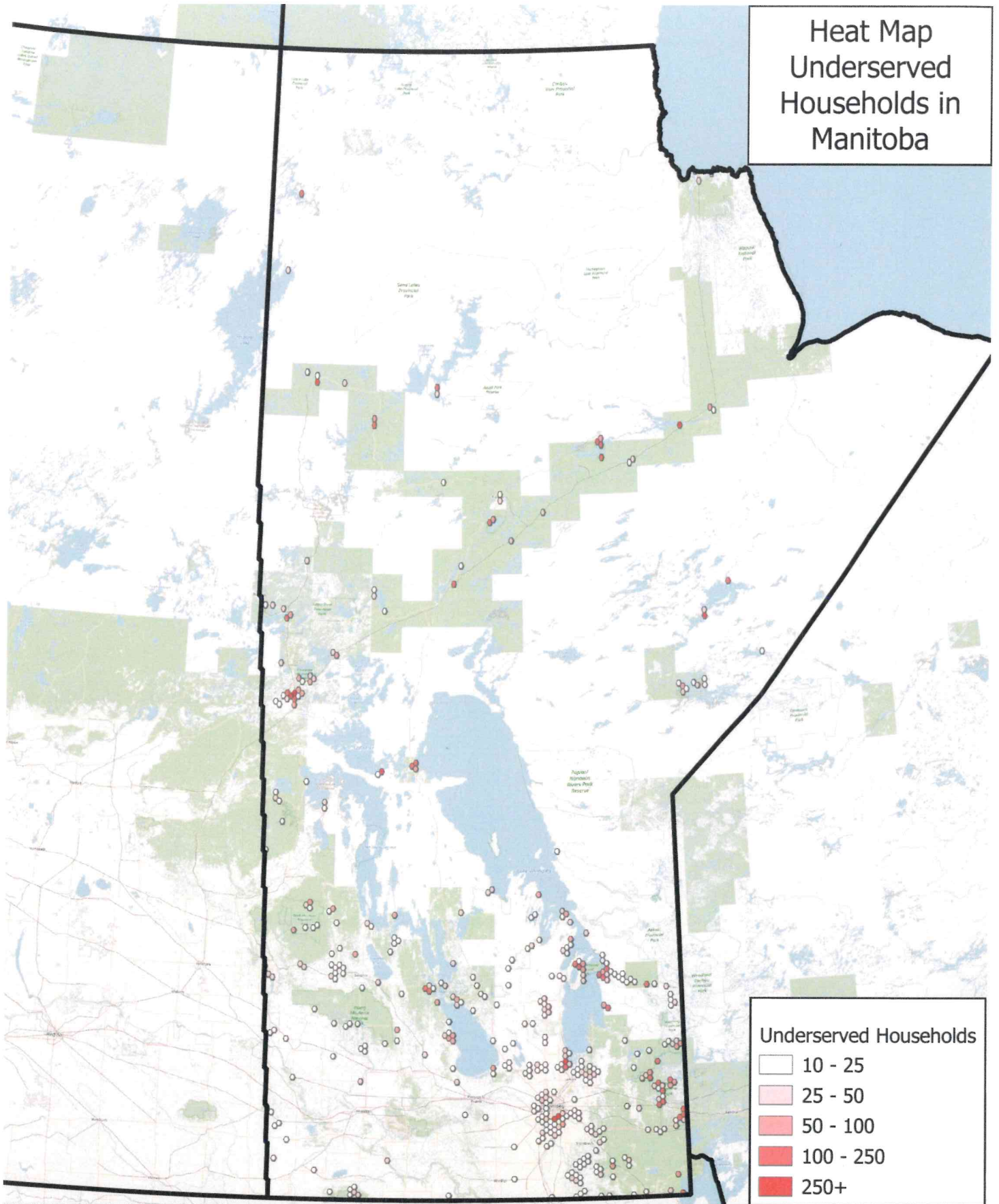
Pour présenter une manifestation d'intérêt ou pour poser vos questions y compris des informations plus détaillées sur la cartographie, veuillez nous joindre à : get-connected-branchez-vous@ised-isde.gc.ca. Un responsable du programme fera un suivi avec vous directement en utilisant la méthode de communication qui vous sera préférable.

ISDE souhaite être aussi inclusif que possible pour cet appel d'intérêt. Il est possible que vous recevez ce message alors que votre communauté a déjà un accès à l'Internet haute vitesse ou que vous ayez soutenu un projet en cours.

Nous sommes impatients de travailler avec vous pour atteindre notre objectif commun, qui est d'offrir un accès à des services Internet haute vitesse à 100 % des foyers du Manitoba d'ici 2030.

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Heat Map Underserved Households in Manitoba



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This map is based on ISP information as well as Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada projections. Actual coverage may vary subject to deployment and environmental factors.

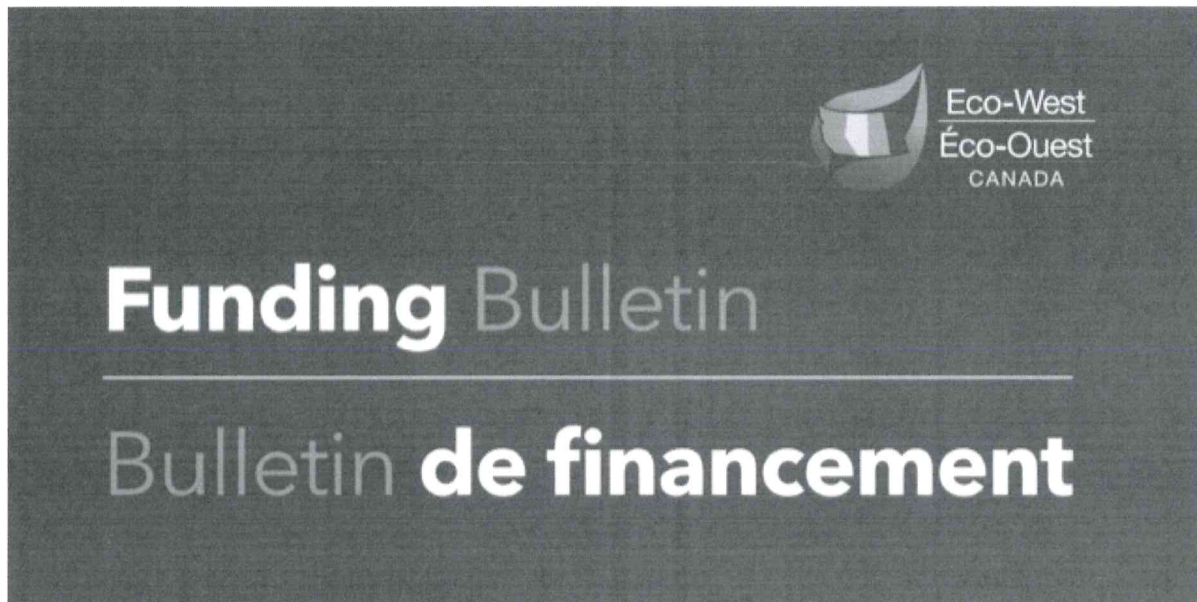
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July 2024

Norma Will

From: Eco-Ouest <info@eco-ouest.com>
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2024 2:08 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: NEW! Community Buildings Funding & EV Chargers Opportunities

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Funding Bulletin #5

1. Government of Canada - Green and Inclusive Community Buildings

Third Intake

New

The Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program is launching its third intake and will be accepting applications as follows:

Small and medium retrofits

Eligible applicants with small and medium-sized projects to retrofit existing

community buildings ranging in total eligible cost from \$100,000 to \$2,999,999 can apply from **August 1, 2024 until October 16, 2024, 15:00 ET.**

Large retrofits and new builds

Eligible applicants with large projects to retrofit existing community buildings or projects to build new community buildings with total eligible costs ranging from \$3 million to \$25 million can apply from **September 4, 2024 until October 16, 2024, 15:00 ET.**

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2. Government of Canada: Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program

This funding opportunity will support:

- the deployment of EV chargers, including fast chargers, in public places across Canada such as highways and public lots.
- the deployment of EV chargers at private locations, including multi-unit residential buildings, workplaces and where on-road vehicle fleets are serviced.

Eligible applicants include:

- Electric utilities
- Companies
- Industry associations
- Indigenous businesses and community groups
- Strata or condo corporations
- Canadian provincial, territorial, regional or municipal governments or their departments or agencies where applicable

There are two streams with different requirements:

1. Public EV Charging - within 1.6 km of Transport Canada's National Highway System

2. Private EV Charging - for installation in existing building such as multi-unit residential

Maximum funding: \$5 million per project depending on the type of charger, covering up to 50% of Total Project Costs

Request for Proposal period: Now to September 19, 2024

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Government
of Canada

Gouvernement
du Canada

3. Manitoba Government - Electric Vehicle Rebate program

This funding opportunity provides \$25-million for the Manitoba Electric Vehicle Rebate program.

Who can apply:

- Manitoba residents, corporations, businesses, First Nations and municipalities are eligible.
- There is a limit of only one vehicle per purchaser during the duration of the program.
- The vehicle must remain in owner's name and be registered in Manitoba for a minimum of 12 months.
- Crown corporations, federal and provincial governments are not eligible.

Application period: for EVs purchased on or after Aug. 1, 2023, and will run until March 2026.

Funding Amount:

- \$4,000 incentive on new qualifying EV purchases
- \$2,500 incentive on used qualifying EV purchases

Eligible Vehicles:

- Both battery electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles are eligible for the incentive.
- Used EVs must be less than four years old and incentives for leased vehicles will be proportionate to the length of the lease, with a full incentive for a four-year lease.
- Manitobans who already bought an EV between Aug. 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024, can apply for the incentive on the Manitoba Public Insurance website.

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**Eco-West Canada is here to help
municipalities apply for funding.**

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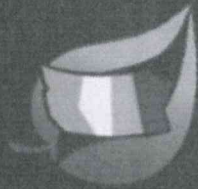
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Norma Will

From: Candace Mohr <CandaceMohr@synergyland.ca>
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2024 11:44 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: Enbridge Preventative Maintenance - MP 666.9437 L0002 - RM of Oakland-Wawanesa No. 157 Notification
Attachments: RM of Oakland-Wawanesa No. 157 Notificaton.pdf

Good Day,

Please find attached notification for Enbridge Preventative Maintenance in the RM. Kindly review and do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you in advance,

Candace Mohr
Intermediate Land Analyst



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Synergy Ref: 24-13062

July 22, 2024

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKLAND-WAWANESA NO. 157 Email: adminassist@oakland-wawanesa.ca
54 Main Street
Box 28
Nesbitt, MB R0K 1P0

RE: Enbridge Pipelines Inc. and Enbridge Southern Lights GP Inc.
Proposed Project: Enbridge Pipelines Inc.
2024 Preventative Maintenance Program
Dig Information: DIG ID 33666 MP 666.9437 GW 96510 L0002
Affected Lands: NE 22-7-17 W1M & NW 22-7-17 W1M
Request Type: R.M. Notification Under Blanket Agreement

Enbridge Pipelines Inc. and Enbridge Southern Lights GP Inc. ("Enbridge") wishes to advise that they will be performing preventative maintenance work within their right-of-way in the above mentioned location, as shown on the attached survey plan.

Also attached to this notification is a copy of the blanket agreement between the Rural Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa and Enbridge.

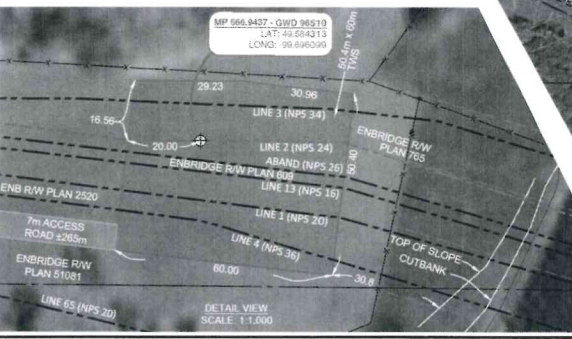
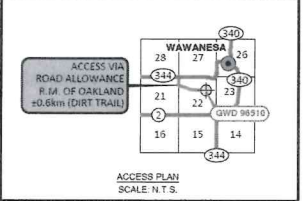
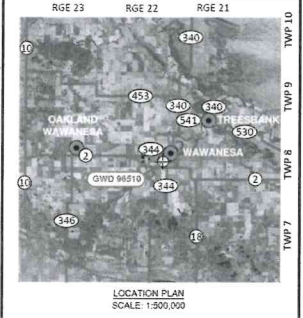
Should you have any questions or concerns regarding Enbridge operations in this area, please do not hesitate to contact our office. Thank you very much for your assistance and co-operation in this regard.

Yours truly,
SYNERGY LAND SERVICES LTD.

Candace Mohr
Land Analyst
/attachment

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X2	BURIED FIBRE OPTICS CABLE	RFNOW	ACCESS	49.531284	-99.711401	ROAD ALLOWANCE

PROXIMITY				
PROX. ID	DESCRIPTION	OWNER	DISTANCE	LOCATION
* NO PROXIMITIES EXIST *				



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BURIED FIBRE OPTICS CABLE	---		
BURIED CABLE	---		
BURIED POWER CABLE	---		
OVERHEAD POWER LINE	---		
ACCESS ROAD	---		
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ASSESSMENT AREA	---		
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DIG LOCATION	---		
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3	REVISION				

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MP 666.9437 (GW 90510)
 DIG SITE ACCESS PLAN
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 R.M. OF OAKLAND - MANITOBA

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ENBRIDGE

October 26, 2023

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKLAND-WAWANESA NO. 157
Box 278
Wawanesa, MB R0K 2G0

VIA EMAIL: adminassist@oakland-wawanesa.ca

RE: PIPELINE INTEGRITY DIG PROGRAM 2024
Blanket Crossing and Approach Consent Request on behalf of Enbridge Pipelines Inc. & Enbridge Southern Lights GP Inc.

On behalf of Enbridge Pipelines Inc. and Enbridge Southern Lights GP Inc. (collectively known as Enbridge), Synergy Land Services Ltd. is continuing efforts to advance the process of attaining formal agreements with third party stakeholders. Enbridge is conducting an investigative program for our pipeline systems. Following analysis of our In-line Inspection tool results, we will be proceeding to check any possible anomalies. In order to verify the features, we are required to excavate and expose the portion(s) of pipeline that have been identified as a possible risk. The program is part of Enbridge's continued efforts in maintaining the integrity and safe operations of its pipeline system.

Our Procedure is as follows:

1. Survey and identify the dig location
2. Excavate to expose the pipe
3. Clean the pipe of existing coating
4. Inspect the pipe
5. Maintenance on the pipe, if required
6. Re-coat the pipe
7. Backfill excavation and reclaim all affected areas
8. Revisit site 1 year from reclamation date to monitor affected lands

The amount of time required at each dig location can range from 5-15 days. However, access may be required for a greater length of time if adverse weather is encountered or multiple digs exist within the same section of land.

The equipment involved will include:

- XL5200 tracked Gradall or Excavator, or similar equipment
- 1/2, 3/4, 1, and 3 ton trucks for welding, sand blast and coating.
- Small reclamation and snow clearing equipment
- Hydrovac

In order to expedite the process of acquiring permissions, we would like to propose that a blanket consent be considered, with uniform and appropriate Terms and Conditions to be accepted by Enbridge. Please consider:

- The Enbridge Land Consultant will provide documentation and a survey sketch showing access, workspace, approaches and access points that are proposed.
- No formal applications for permits will be required for access utilizing existing approaches, or for temporary access development, which would be standardized.
- No formal applications for permits will be required for Temporary Workspace for excavations.
- No formal applications for permits will be required for Temporary Workspace for equipment and soil storage.
- Existing approaches will be used whenever possible.
- Any temporary access and workspace will not affect natural drainage paths or affect the landowners directly adjacent to the access routes.
- All existing approaches will be left in the same or better condition once the project is complete.
- All ditch access (no fill added) must be restored to same or better condition, with original grade maintained.
- All temporary approaches/culverts (fill added) will be removed as soon as possible and the area restored to the same or better condition. If a temporary approach is required a representative may direct the contractor.
- All excavation(s) will be filled and the lands monitored and restored to the same or better condition through our remediation program.
- A representative may, at time to time, inspect the affected areas and may choose to inspect the final clean-up once Enbridge is complete. Enbridge may provide notification once final restoration is complete at each location.
- Enbridge or an Enbridge designate will make formal requests on a site by site basis when actual excavation is required within any portion of the traveled Road Allowance or temporary access is required through a ditch, the city will impose conditions on a site by site basis.
- Enbridge or an Enbridge designate will make formal requests on a site by site basis when a road or lane closure is required.
- A representative may contact one of the Enbridge representatives listed below if any issues or concerns are reported regarding the chosen access routes.

We thank you again for your time and assistance.

If there are any other questions or concerns, please feel free to contact:

Tyler Sewlal	Enbridge, Sr Analyst Lands & ROW	780-508-6763
Jessica La Roche	Enbridge, Sr Analyst Lands & ROW	780-392-4071
Jason Neufeld	Construction Coordinator	306-834-7300

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours truly,
SYNERGY LAND SERVICES LTD.



Candace Mohr
Land Analyst
/attachment

If this is acceptable, please sign this letter as your acknowledgement.

Terms and conditions are acceptable to Mun. of Oakland-Waukesha.

as of this 17 day of November, 2023.

J Swidnicki CAO
Signature

JONI SWIDNICKI CAO
Printed Name and Title

as per Motion # 440 Nov. 17/23

Candace Mohr

Subject: FW: Enbridge Pipeline Integrity Dig Program 2024 - RM of Oakland-Wawanesa
Attachments: Enbridge Acknowledgement.pdf

From: Joni Swidnicki <cao@oakland-wawanesa.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 20, 2023 2:09 PM
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Subject: RE: Enbridge Pipeline Integrity Dig Program 2024 - RM of Oakland-Wawanesa

Hello,

This is to advise that Council, at its meeting held November 17, 2023, considered your request with respect to the above and adopted the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the request of Synergy Land Services Ltd. on behalf of Enbridge Pipelines Inc. and Enbridge Southern Lights GP Inc. for an extension to the blanket crossing and approach agreement to December 31, 2024 under the same terms and conditions of the original agreement be approved.

Please see the attached acknowledgement.

Joni Swidnicki, CMMA (Hons)
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July 15, 2024

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Housing Accelerator Fund reopens for submissions

Last week, the federal government announced the opening of submissions for the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) from July 15 to September 13, 2024. This opportunity will be available for applicants from the first round who were not selected.

The high demand and interest in HAF during its initial submission stage reflect municipalities' eagerness to address housing challenges and provide secure, affordable homes, which the HAF facilitates in the context of rapid growth.

FCM welcomes the reopening of the fund and emphasizes the need for it to recognize the role of regional municipalities, especially in Ontario, to support diverse housing development. As well, supporting neighbouring communities across rural areas and small towns to submit combined applications would foster collaboration and lead to cohesive housing solutions.

Moving forward, FCM remains dedicated to collaborating with all orders of government to foster sustainable housing for Canadians.

» [LEARN MORE](#)

EVENTS

Crime Severity Index webinar

Statistics Canada is hosting a webinar on July 17 that will explore a key indicator for police-reported crime in Canada. The webinar will look at the Crime Severity Index and how it can be used in a broad community context to compile a more comprehensive statistical portrait of crime. Participants will learn how to access relevant online data products and resources related to Crime and Justice information.

» [REGISTER NOW](#)

RESOURCES

Enhancing Community Climate Resilience in Quebec

Quebec organizations who are partnered with local municipalities have a transformative opportunity to lead climate resilience projects. Eligible organizations can apply for up to \$1M for adaptation implementation projects and up to \$70,000 for feasibility studies to support local governments. Accessible to regional, provincial or territorial organizations delivering municipal services, non-governmental organizations, not-for profits, research institutes and Indigenous communities with municipal partnerships, this funding is tailored to make tangible, real-world impacts and help municipalities reach their unique climate goals. Deadline for applications is August 14, 2024.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT CLIMATE ADAPTATION PROJECTS](#)

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT FEASIBILITY STUDIES](#)

Taking the temperature on the state of climate action in Canada

The findings summarized in the new report and database from the Municipal Net-Zero Action Research Partnership (N-ZAP) provide crucial information relating to local climate action planning and implementation, GHG inventories, policy interventions and stakeholder engagement initiatives. You can check out this webinar recording about the state of climate action in Canadian municipalities to learn how N-ZAP's new report can serve as a guide on the route to net-zero.

» [WATCH THE WEBINAR RECORDING](#)

Short and effective guides for community building retrofits

Learn how to optimize the energy efficiency of your community structures to lower GHG emissions, increase affordability and extend their life cycles. The Green Municipal Fund's Community Buildings Retrofit factsheets provide essential information on starting an emissions reduction pathway, supporting new energy and climate staff, achieving net-zero indoor swimming pool centres, strategically using asset management planning and ensuring an effective measurement and verification process.

» [READ THE FACTSHEETS](#)

How a hydrogeology study can cut costs

While building their new head office, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority planned to use a closed-loop geothermal system for heating and cooling. However, during test drilling, engineers found they could potentially switch to a more energy-efficient and cost-effective option. They decided to conduct a feasibility study with FCM's financial support and results led them to install an open-loop system instead. Learn from their experience: explore all your options before selecting a heating and cooling system!

» [READ THE FULL CASE STUDY](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA

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July 10: FCM is pleased to be at #AFNAGA2024 for important dialogue on the meaningful partnerships between First Nations communities and neighbouring municipalities.

#CDNMuni are committed to better understanding Indigenous history and perspectives, and many are taking steps to implement UNDRIP in their municipal spaces. Let's work together toward a more inclusive and just future for everyone.

July 10: FCM President @stewart_geoff chats with @tonyrkeats on @THECHAMBERS2022 podcast about key issues affecting #CDNMuni today, and how a new Municipal Growth Framework will better position municipalities to give Canadians the quality of life they expect and deserve.

Listen here!

July 11: Municipalities own 60% of public infrastructure but only collect 8 to 10 cents per tax dollar in Canada.

That's a problem – and you can see why:
<https://t.co/zNhtBxD26j>

FCM is calling for a new Municipal Growth Framework – a new, more equitable way to fund local governments, so #CDNMuni can better fund critical services and infrastructure needed to support our growing communities.



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July 29, 2024



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Launch of the Canada Public Transit Fund

Following many years of advocacy, FCM was pleased to see the launch of the new Canada Public Transit Fund (CPTF) on July 17, an important step forward for public transit infrastructure in Canada.

Two funding streams were opened in mid-July:

- The baseline stream, \$500 million annually, is open to existing transit systems and will support state of good repair, expansion and other capital improvements. Expressions of interest are due September 16, 2024.

- The metro-region agreement stream, \$2 billion annually, is targeted to transit expansion in metropolitan regions through Integrated Regional Plans. FCM particularly welcomes the \$20 million made available for early planning costs.

A third stream, yet to be launched, will target other priority areas like rural transit, active transportation and electrification.

FCM will continue to engage with the federal government on the details and design of the fund. This includes exploring how funding streams can be applied in communities of all sizes, making the fund permanent and indexed to ensure the fund retains its value over time, and ensuring the funding is quickly accessible to municipalities.

» [LEARN MORE](#)

NEWS

Non-board members are invited to apply for FCM Board standing committees and forums

Non-board members are invited to apply for a limited number of positions to serve on select standing committees and forums that contribute to the work of the FCM Board. The FCM President makes committee appointments based on applicants' experience, expertise and interests, as well as the need to balance regional, community size and demographic representation on each committee.

The deadline to complete the survey is August 23, 2024.

» [APPLY TODAY](#)

Renew your FCM membership today

Have you renewed your 2024-2025 FCM membership? Now is the time to do so to unlock the many benefits that come with being an FCM member.

Now more than ever, Canadian municipalities are on the frontlines of our country's most pressing challenges. Our voice grows stronger with each member, amplifying our influence and driving much-needed change. In this unique moment where FCM is championing a new Municipal Growth Framework, the strength of our collective voice has never been so important.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT AN FCM MEMBERSHIP](#)

Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program opens applications

The federal Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program, which supports retrofits, repairs or upgrades of existing publicly accessible community buildings and the construction of new community buildings, is opening a new application intake:

- **Small and medium retrofits:** Retrofit existing community buildings ranging from \$100,000 to \$2,999,999.

Applications open August 1 until October 16 at 3 pm ET.

- **Large retrofits and new builds:** Retrofit existing community buildings or projects to build new community buildings ranging from 3-5 million dollars.

Applications open September 4 until October 16 at 3 pm ET.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND UPCOMING WEBINARS](#)

Empower your community: Unlock climate resilience funding

Is your community prepared for climate challenges? The Green Municipal Fund is offering new funding for long-term climate resilience, with up to \$1 million in eligible costs for climate adaptation implementation projects and \$70,000 for feasibility studies.

From upgrading flood defences and creating green spaces to prioritizing infrastructure and rehabilitating shorelines, community resilience is now within reach. If your municipality is ready to implement adaptation projects and has completed climate adaptation plans or climate change risk assessments, this initiative could be your next step towards tangible resilience improvements. Discover how this funding can transform your community.

- » [APPLY FOR PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING](#)
- » [APPLY FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES FUNDING](#)

RESOURCES

Explore sustainability solutions with our projects database

We are excited to announce the launch of the revamped Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Project Database! With a new user-friendly search function and updated information about all GMF-funded projects across Canada, this tool is a must-have for municipal staff looking for inspiration in sustainable solutions or key information about GMF's funding opportunities.

» [EXPLORE THE DATABASE](#)

Learn how to plan a community efficiency financing program

Looking to make a meaningful difference in your community's energy consumption? GMF's course, *Planning a Community Efficiency Financing program*, provides step-by-step guidance and practical examples to help you create a compelling business case for a home energy upgrade financing program that meets the unique needs of your community.

Participants learn how to set achievable goals, assess target audiences, review available financing models and engage stakeholders crucial to the success of the program.

» REGISTER FOR THE COURSE

Healthier, more energy-efficient homes for community housing residents

Through a partnership between Toronto Community Housing (TCHC) and The Atmospheric Fund (TAF), a regional climate agency that invests in low-carbon solutions, the 1,500 residents of seven newly retrofitted buildings are now benefitting from greater comfort and improved air quality thanks to energy-efficient equipment and energy-monitoring technology. TCHC is using its success with a streamlined project approach and an innovative financing model to inform further retrofits so that Toronto and other municipalities can reduce greenhouse gas emissions and utility costs in affordable housing.

» LEARN MORE

Setting net-zero standards: Vancouver builds Canada's first Passive House firehall

Discover the City of Vancouver's groundbreaking achievement with Canada's first Passive House firehall! The newly built Fire Hall #17 sets new sustainability standards, delivering impressive results:

- 645 GJ/year of natural gas use eliminated
- 33 tonnes/year of GHG emissions eliminated
- 91% waste diversion rate during demolition
- 40% decrease in water use for non-fire-training operations

This project showcases how municipal buildings can achieve zero emissions while maintaining high functionality and resilience.

» READ MORE

LOCAL DATA

Municipal Financial Data Dashboard

Statistics Canada has updated its Municipal Financial Data Dashboard on the Centre for Municipal and Local Data portal. The interactive dashboard now includes two more years of data for 37 individual cities in Canada and provides transparent financial data and indicators at the municipality level.

» CONSULT THE UPDATED DASHBOARD

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July 23: Our new guide for municipal leaders introduces UNDRIP, outlines how municipalities of all sizes can explore its implementation and illustrates how municipalities can build renewed and respectful relationships with Indigenous Peoples.

Learn more here:
<https://t.co/aXEBylBWJs>

July 25: Our thoughts are with Mayor Richard Ireland and the people of #Jasper this morning. We offer our full support to the community and local authorities.

These wildfires stress the crucial role municipalities play to serve communities and the need for increased federal support to tackle extreme weather events.

July 25: Municipalities are tackling 21st century problems with 19th century tools.

That's why FCM is pushing for a new Municipal Growth Framework to help address our most pressing national challenges.

Learn more:
<https://t.co/flvUtTfdvB>



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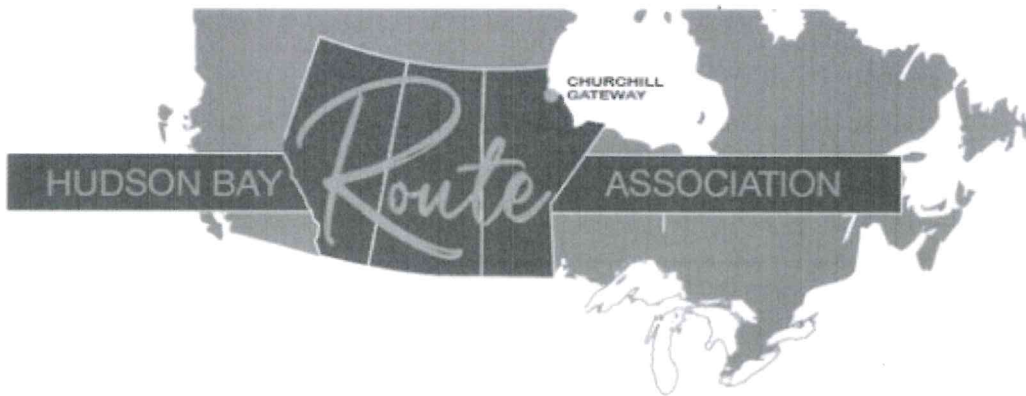
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Good Morning,

This letter is to notify you that the Annual General Meeting scheduled for August 12-13 in Tisdale, has been unfortunately been postponed due to circumstances out of our control. More specific details will be sent at a later date.

There has been enormous activity and successes being observed with both the Arctic Gateway Group and the Hudson Bay Route Association that we are excited to share with you in the coming weeks!

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused,
If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to reach out.

Regards,
James J. Berscheid, BScA
President
Hudson Bay Route Association

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Joni Swidnicki

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To: Joni Swidnicki
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Accessible Employment Standard Regulation Five-Year Review



The Accessibility Advisory Council wants to hear from Manitobans about their experiences with the Accessible Employment Standard Regulation, the second accessibility standard under the Accessibility for Manitobans Act.

- Do you face barriers to finding or keeping a job?
- Do you know how to best accommodate your employees with disabilities?
- How does this standard affect you and your workplace?

We want to hear from you.

The review aims to determine if the standard has met its objectives to remove barriers to employment, and if not, how could it be improved. Lessons learned from this review can help strengthen the impact of the Accessible Employment Standard going forward.

Share your thoughts!

Public engagement is an important aspect of the review, and there are many ways for you to share your perspective including:

Public Survey:

A public survey is available on [EngageMB](#), the Manitoba government's online portal, until November 1, 2024. [EngageMB](#) provides an easy way for all Manitobans to share their insights. If you require the survey in an alternate format, please contact our office.

Take the Survey

Live Virtual Town Hall Sessions:

The Accessibility Advisory Council is hosting two virtual town hall sessions on Zoom where you are invited to share your perspectives, including by chat and phone. These sessions follow the same format. You're invited to register for the session that works best for your schedule.

- **Morning Virtual Town Hall**
- Date: Tuesday, September 24
- Time: 10 a.m. to Noon
- Where: Online via Zoom

[Register to Attend](#)

- **Afternoon Virtual Town Hall:**
- Date: Thursday, September 26
- Time: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Where: Online via Zoom

Register to Attend

Written Submissions:

Comments and feedback are welcome via briefs and submissions to the attention of the Accessibility Advisory Council at access@gov.mb.ca. The deadline for submissions is Friday, November 1, 2024.

The council will use all feedback and perspectives received to make recommendations for improvements.

For more information on the council's review, please contact the Manitoba Accessibility Office at mao@gov.mb.ca, or by calling 204-945-7613.

Manitoba Accessibility Fund Recipient Announcements



The Manitoba Accessibility Fund is happy to announce that notifications have been sent out to all grant applicants for this funding cycle. Congratulations to each of you who will be receiving support for your projects and initiatives. Your dedication and passion for removing barriers

have truly impressed the selection committee, and we can't wait to see the impact your work will make.

For those who applied but may not have been selected this time, we appreciate your efforts and encourage you to keep pursuing your projects. Your commitment to removing barriers is invaluable, and we look forward to the opportunity to support you in future intakes.

Stay tuned for a full announcement where we'll share more details about the grant recipients and their projects. We're excited about the positive changes and ambitious initiatives ahead.

Spotlight on a Manitoba Accessibility Fund Project

The Manitoba Accessibility Fund is proud to spotlight projects from three previous grant recipients.

South Interlake Regional Library – Literacy for All Manitobans



South Interlake Regional Library provides public library services to the rural municipalities of Rockwood and Rosser and the towns of Stonewall and Teulon. Our mission is to enhance South Interlake communities through literacy by providing innovative, accessible and dynamic library services and programs. We strive to be the welcoming heart of our communities where patrons of all generations are included, educated, informed and inspired.

Rural libraries in our province have recently gained access to the digital collection of the Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA). CELA provides library patrons with print disabilities access to 1.2 million titles in accessible formats via a smart device. In many parts of Manitoba, people with print disabilities do not have access to a smart device due to economic or technology barriers such as a lack of high-speed internet.

Our project, funded by the Manitoba Accessibility Fund, used the existing inter-library loan system to lend accessible audiobook players preloaded with titles from CELA free of charge to people across Manitoba who have a print disability. In partnership with CELA, we also hosted a training workshop and displayed materials for rural librarians to raise awareness of Manitoba's Accessible Information and Communication Standard.

The project was launched at the end of April, and we are pleased that several audiobook players are already in circulation. Feedback from patrons using the service has been very positive, with more than one saying that this service has been life-changing. We are delighted to offer this new service to remove barriers to literacy and accessibility for persons living with print disabilities. We are also proud to support rural librarians in providing this service in their own communities.

~ Article submitted by the South Interlake Regional Library.

Transportation Options Network for Seniors

Transportation Options Network for Seniors (TONS) is a provincial organization that focuses on developing and enhancing relationships with current transportation providers in the public and private sector as well as distributing research and best practice recommendations. We aim to

increase awareness and provide education on the transportation needs for older adults in Manitoba with the goal of ensuring that individuals can choose to age in place within community and that communities see transportation as a valuable investment for creating age-friendly communities. We work to provide resources, tools and networking opportunities for transportation services and service providers who support older adults across Manitoba with a specific focus on, but not limited to inter-community transportation programs like accessible van services in rural communities.

With support from the Manitoba Accessibility Fund, TONS worked with the Independent Living Resource Centre to host three online wheelchair securement and customer service training sessions via Zoom. Fifty people from 30 different communities attended. The goal of the training was to reduce barriers to accessing information about wheelchair securement. Training included tips on how to tie down wheelchairs in transportation vehicles, customer service training that meets AMA standards and training on the Accessible Transportation Standard.

There are training requirements in place for all para-transit providers, contained within the Accessible Customer Service and Accessible Transportation Standards, although training is not always available to small rural transportation providers. It was extremely beneficial to provide training to smaller transportation groups in hopes that community members and older adults can safely access transportation across the province. As the training sessions were recorded, organizations could go back to re-watch. They could also access resources which included a transportation toolkit and an online training manual.

~ Article submitted by the Transportation Options Network for Seniors.

Boyne Regional Library

Boyne Regional Library is a public library in Carman, Manitoba serving the town, the Rural Municipality of Dufferin and several surrounding communities. Many of our patrons request books in large print as they can no longer read regular print comfortably and want to continue reading. We offer tech help to the community, in the library and through an outreach program. This helps to remove barriers that seniors are facing in the ever-changing digital age.

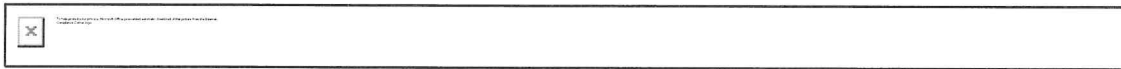
With support from the Manitoba Accessibility Fund (MAF), we were able to expand our large print collection and purchase a fully accessible public workstation, an accessible high contrast keyboard, computer and a large monitor. Patrons without internet access at home can now comfortably access information, participate in continuing education and communicate through email. By providing help with our library reading apps, library users with accessibility barriers learned to access online eBooks and audiobooks, giving them a wider selection of reading materials in formats to meet individualized needs. Through an iPad lending program, patrons are also given access to apps and technology.

MAF funding enabled us to introduce Wonderbooks into our collection. Wonderbooks are print books with a ready to play audiobook inside. Each book is a customizable reading experience based on reading levels and abilities. The response for the Wonderbooks has been incredible with families and educators.

Our library and community have greatly benefited from MAF. The funding allowed us to improve and provide accessible library materials for all and

inform staff about ways to recognize and proactively address accessibility barriers.

~ Article submitted by Boyne Regional Library.



Workplace Accommodation Requests

All employees, who are temporarily or permanently disabled by one or more accessibility barrier in the workplace, have the right to request workplace accommodations. Under the Accessible Employment Standard Regulation when an employee makes a request for an individualized accommodation plan to remove a temporary or permanent barrier in the workplace, it sets in motion the employer's **legal obligation** to assess, develop and implement a plan to review reasonable accommodation options.

The Accessible Employment Standard Regulation outlines responsibilities for both the employer and the employee in relation to individualized accommodation plans. Among other requirements, an employee is responsible for providing relevant information to assist in the assessment of an accommodation request, while the employer must identify how often an established plan will be reviewed. Additional details about these responsibilities can be found in sections 12 and 13 of the regulation.

Reasons for Denying a Request

If a request for an individualized accommodation plan is denied, employers in Manitoba are obligated to provide **written** reasons for the decision. Such circumstances may include, but are not limited to:

- If an independent regulated health professional does not support the employee's self-assessed requirement for a workplace accommodation.
- If there is evidence that the request would cause undue hardship (e.g., create a major and measurable cost to the employer or health and safety risks).

It is important to note that a reasonable accommodation offered by the employer may not always be the requested or preferred accommodation of the employee. An employer may offer a different reasonable accommodation to remove the barriers presented.

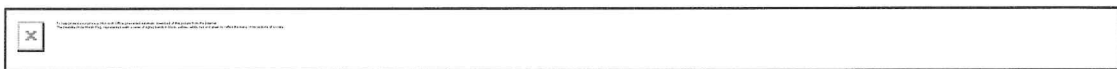
Remember: Creating workplace accommodations is a shared responsibility between the employer and employee. Collaboration is critical to identifying and implementing a reasonable accommodation that meets the individual's unique needs in the workplace.

This July, Celebrate Disability Pride Month

Recognized each July, Disability Pride Month is a movement of empowerment and visibility for people with disabilities. It's a time for community members and advocates to reflect and speak out against societal barriers.

Disability Pride Month was first celebrated in the United States in July 1990. This was the same year that the Americans with Disabilities Act came into law. Today it is recognized around the world. This July, take some time to celebrate Disability Pride Month by reflecting on the role society plays in removing barriers while reflecting on the multiple intersecting identities within our community.

The Disability Pride Month Flag



The Disability Pride Month flag was created by Ann Magill. The flag represents the many cross-sections and advocates for an inclusive society that ensures barrier-free accessibility for everyone.

Meaning behind each design element:

- **The Black Field:** Mourning for those who've suffered and died from ableist violence.
 - **The Zigzag Band:** Recognizing how disabled people must move around barriers and the creative ways in which they do so.
 - **The Five Colours:** Representing the variety of disabilities, needs and experiences, including Mental Illness, Neurodiversity, Invisible and Undiagnosed Disabilities, Physical Disabilities and Sensory Disabilities.
 - **The Parallel Stripes:** Forming solidarity within the disability community, despite differences.
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In the News:

“A profile of 2SLGBTQ+ persons with disabilities, 2022”

published on StatsCan

In 2022, nearly eight million Canadians aged 15 years and over had one or more disabilities according to the Canadian Survey on Disability. Among them, approximately 8.7 per cent individuals reported being a 2SLGBTQ+ person, representing 2.3 per cent of the Canadian population aged 15 years and over.

[Read the full report](#)

“Brandon Deaf Connections coffee group offers community connection, ASL practice in southwestern Manitoba” featured

on CBC.ca

Frustrated by limited support for people who are Deaf or hard of hearing, a local group in Manitoba's second-largest city has formed to practise American Sign Language and provide support for each other.

[Read the full article](#)

“City mulls cost of changing accessibility icon” featured on

CTV News Winnipeg

The City of Winnipeg's public service is putting a price tag on changing the accessibility icon to a more “forward-leaning” icon on city properties and

communication. The Accessible Icon Project symbol was introduced in 2010 to replace the 1960s wheelchair accessibility icon.

[Read the full article](#)

Funding Opportunities:

New Accessibility Funding Opportunities Available from Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC)

Apply for this new funding opportunity:

- [Enabling Accessibility Fund: Small Projects Component](#)

[Learn about these and other funding opportunities offered by Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\).](#)

Update from Accessibility Standards Canada:

Accessibility Standards Canada held their Annual Public Meeting “Leading change to make Canada accessible and include all people” on May 22, 2024.

[Visit Accessibility Standard Canada’s website to read about the Annual Public Meeting.](#)

Training Opportunity

Are you interested in learning American Sign Language?

RRC Polytechnic will be offering American Sign Language through its Continuing Education program this fall. Courses include American Sign Language 1, American Sign Language 2, American Sign Language 3 and ASL Bridging 2.

[Visit the RRC Polytechnic Continuing Education website to sign up.](#)

July Awareness Dates:

- **July 1 – 31, 2024:** [Disability Pride Month](#)



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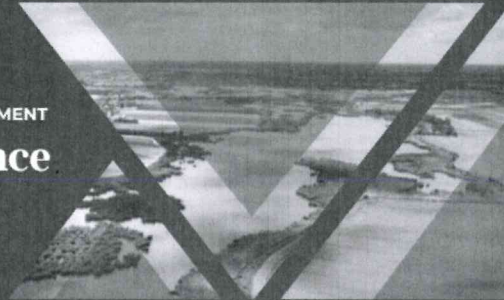


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Manitoba Watersheds Conference

December 2-4, 2024 in Brandon, MB



SECURE YOUR SPOT: EARLY BIRD RATES ARE AVAILABLE!



We wanted to remind you that the registration for the **2024 Manitoba Watersheds Conference** is open.

Time is ticking by, but you can still take advantage of our special early bird rates by **registering online** before **September 27th, 2024**.

Use the code **EARLYBIRD2024** to receive a discounted rate. Secure your spot today!

We hope to see you at our annual event, where watershed district staff and board members will have the opportunity to engage with industry professionals, decision-makers, and businesses and vice versa.

The Conference is a chance to celebrate successes, foster community connections, stay informed about new and emerging practices, and advocate for the protection of our water resources. Here's a sneak peek at our **sessions!**

Best regards,



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Key Details:

DATES:

December

2-4

LOCATION:

Keystone Centre

1175 18th St, Unit 1, Brandon, MB R7A 7C5



This yearly conference is a pivotal gathering for watershed district staff, board members, industry professionals, decision makers, businesses, and stakeholders. It offers a platform for celebrating successes, fostering community, exploring new practices, and advocating for the protection of our water resources.



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August 12, 2024

To Provincial Departments & Agencies, Municipalities and other Public Bodies,

The Manitoba Ombudsman's Winnipeg office recently moved locations and would like to provide the new address. Please update any of your relevant web content, response letter templates or other places where you may be displaying our information in your communications.

Our Winnipeg address is now: 300 - 5 Donald St., Winnipeg, MB R3L 2T4.

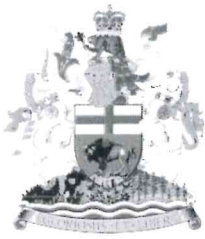
All other contact information, including phone numbers, remain the same. The addresses of our Brandon and Thompson locations have not changed.

Manitoba Ombudsman is also currently launching a new logo and beginning work on a modernized website. You may notice changes to the look and feel of our resources and tools as we update them over time.

If you have any questions, or have any outdated materials displayed and would like updated copies when available, please let us know at communications@ombudsman.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

Amie Lesyk
Communications Director



**Minister of Municipal and Northern Relations
Minister of Indigenous Economic Development**

Legislative Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0V8 CANADA

July 15, 2024

Thank You

I want to express my sincere gratitude to those who participated in the recent study aimed at understanding representation, inclusion, and participation within local government in Manitoba.

Whether you supported the study by forwarding communications, facilitating participation, or actively contributing your input, you have played a vital role in shaping our understanding of local government, along with how we can continue to ensure Manitoba is a province where everyone can be included and thrive.

As we move forward, Inclusive Kind will be analyzing the survey data to identify key insights and opportunities for further discussion.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to reach out to Gabby Zuniga or Erin Walker of Inclusive Kind at hello@inclusivekind.com – they are here to help.

Thank you once again for being an essential part of this initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Bushie', with a horizontal line underneath.

Honourable Ian Bushie
Minister

**THE PELICAN-ROCK LAKE PLANNING DISTRICT
UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE PLANNING ACT**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the date and at the time and location shown below, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held to receive representations from any persons who wish to make them in respect to the following matter:

**THE PELICAN-ROCK LAKE PLANNING DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLAN
AMENDMENT BY-LAW NO. 34 being an AMENDMENT to THE PELICAN-ROCK
LAKE PLANNING DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT PLAN BY-LAW NO. 28, as amended.**

HEARING LOCATION: Cartwright-Roblin Municipal Office, 485 Curwen St. Cartwright, MB

DATE & TIME: August 9th, 2024
9:30 am

GENERAL INTENT OF BY-LAW NO. 34 To change Policy 12.2.2 (3) e to read "Where a bona fide farmstead site has been rendered surplus due to farm consolidation or amalgamation and the continued existence of the surplus farmstead will not have a negative impact on the operations occurring on adjacent agricultural lands. The farmstead should contain a livable farm residence but can show evidence that a dwelling or well existed historically, and should be located within a well-defined and mature shelterbelt

AREA AFFECTED: Pelican-Rock Lake Planning District wide.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Everett, Development Officer
Phone: (204)523-2080

A copy of the above proposal and supporting material may be inspected by contacting the Development Officer. Copies may be made and extracts taken therefrom, upon request.

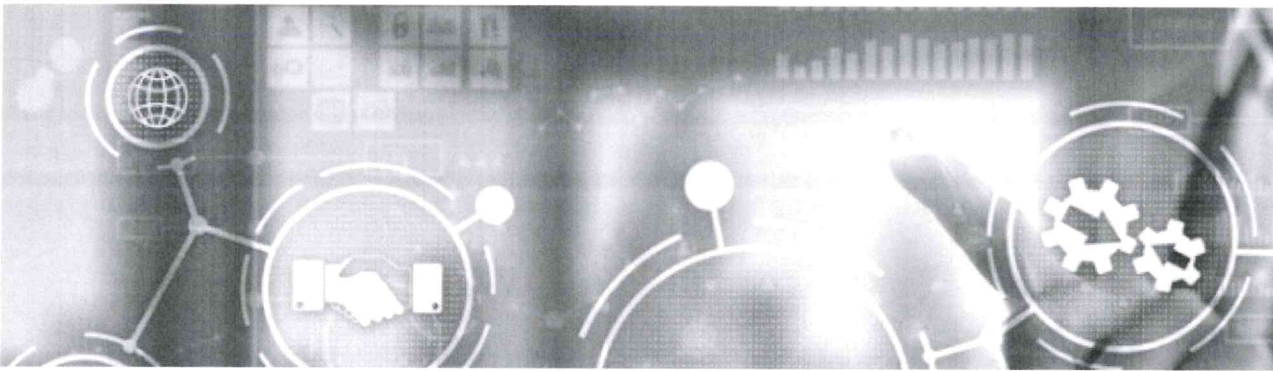
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July 12.2024*

Norma Will

From: Western Region-Engagement / Région de l'Ouest-Engagement (STATCAN) <statcan.west-engagement-ouest-engagement.statcan@statcan.gc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, August 7, 2024 5:02 PM
To: Western Region-Engagement / Région de l'Ouest-Engagement (STATCAN)
Subject: DATA LENS MB - UPDATES FROM STATISTICS CANADA, AUGUST 2024

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YOUR UPDATES FROM STATISTICS CANADA

DATALENS



WORKSHOP SERIES: INTRODUCTION TO BASIC STATISTICS

Statistics Canada is delighted to invite you to our upcoming workshop:

- Introduction to Basic Statistics

Workshop: Introduction to Basic Statistics

A quick refresher course for those who have had statistical training in the past or a fast-paced introduction to basic statistics for beginners. Statistical measures such as percentages, averages, frequency, and standard error are used widely. But how are they calculated, and exactly what do they tell us? This 8-hour workshop held over 2 days will help participants develop an appreciation of the potential of statistics and a critical eye of when and how they should or shouldn't be used.

During this workshop, you will:

- Explore and learn the difference between Descriptive and Inferential statistics.
- Learn measures such as margin of error, standard error, and confidence intervals.
- Learn hypothesis testing methods for continuous data (Z-test) and categorical data (Chi – Square).

Intended Target Audience: This is an introductory workshop; it may be too basic for advanced data users.

Advanced registration is required. We ask that you please register early, spaces are limited for the workshops.

Registration Information:

English and French workshop dates are available from October to December. For more information and to register for a session, please go to this link: [Workshop – Introduction to Basic Statistics P0001048 \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

Cost: \$325 per learner

Early registration (at least 3 weeks before): \$300 per learner

2021 CENSUS OF POPULATION: DATA TABLE—LABOUR AND MOBILITY AND MIGRATION

Statistics Canada is releasing one [additional data table from the 2021 Census of Population](#). This table can also be found in the [Canadian Internal Trade Data and Information Hub](#).....[Read more](#)

[The Daily — 2021 Census of Population: Data table—Labour and Mobility and migration \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

DISTRIBUTIONS OF HOUSEHOLD ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS FOR INCOME, CONSUMPTION, SAVING AND WEALTH OF CANADIAN HOUSEHOLDS, FIRST QUARTER 2024

Although income and wealth inequality widened in the first quarter of 2024, some economic well-being indicators for lower- and middle-income households as well as younger households less than 45 years old improved for the first time in three years.

Income inequality increased in the first quarter of 2024 as the gap in the share of disposable income between households in the top 40% and the bottom 40% of the income distribution was the largest since 2008...[Read more](#)

The data visualization product "[Distributions of Household Economic Accounts, Wealth: Interactive tool](#)," which is part of *Statistics Canada – Data Visualization Products (Catalogue number71-607-X)*, is now available.

The article "[Distributions of Household Economic Accounts, estimates of asset, liability and net worth distributions, 2010 to 2023, technical methodology and quality report](#)," which is part of the *Income and Expenditure Accounts Technical Series (Catalogue number13-604-M)*, is also available.

[The Daily — Distributions of household economic accounts for income, consumption, saving and wealth of Canadian households, first quarter 2024 \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATISTICS, 2020

Statistics Canada is publishing an update of the [Municipal Financial Data Dashboard](#).

This dashboard provides comparable financial data and indicators at the municipal level. Not only does it show data for units over time, but it also allows for the comparison of units side by side and of multiple units. ...[Read more](#)

[The Daily — Municipal government financial statistics, 2020 \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

The data visualization product "[Municipal Financial Data Dashboard](#)," which is part of *Statistics Canada – Data Visualization Products (Catalogue number71-607-X)*, has been updated with additional cities.

STUDY: CANADIAN LABOUR FORCE: WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE BABY BOOMERS RETIRE?

The evolution of the Canadian labour force continues to draw attention, as people born during the baby boom started to reach the age of 65 in 2011 and have progressively been leaving the labour market ever since to retire. These departures have exerted a downward pressure on the labour force participation rate, which reached its lowest level in 20 years in 2023, at 65%....[Read more](#)

[The Daily — Study: Canadian labour force: What happens after the baby boomers retire? \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

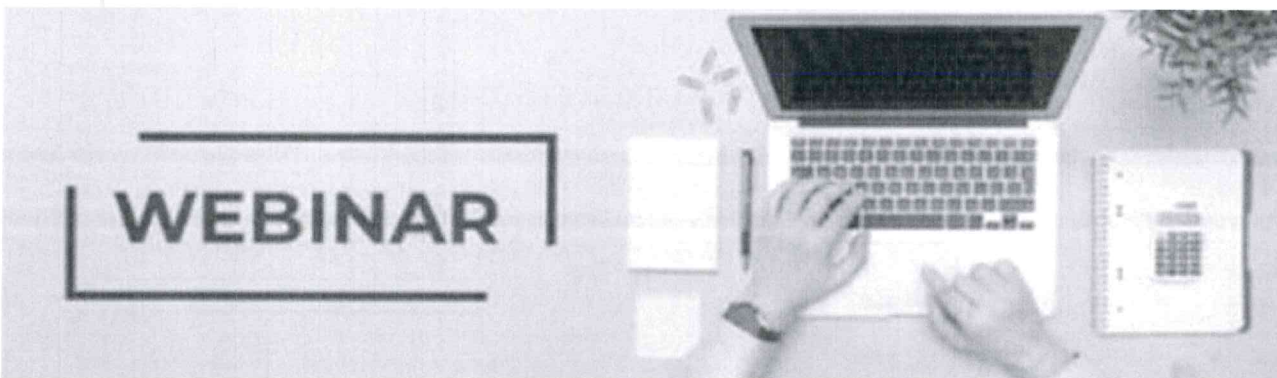
PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL NATURAL RESOURCES SATELLITE ACCOUNT, 2022

Real gross domestic product (GDP) of the natural resources sector increased across several provinces and territories in 2022, with large increases in Alberta (+5.8%) and Ontario (+3.9%) offset by a decrease in Newfoundland and Labrador (-5.7%). The large growth in Alberta was mainly attributed to increased extraction of crude oil and related energy services. Nationally, natural resources' real GDP increased 3.1%, compared with a 3.8% increase in economy-wide real GDP, after increasing 6.3% in 2021.....[Read more](#)

[The Daily — Provincial and Territorial Natural Resources Satellite Account, 2022 \(statcan.gc.ca\)](#)

The [Economic accounts statistics](#) portal, accessible from the *Subjects* module of our website, features an up-to-date portrait of national and provincial economies and their structure.

Additional information can be found in the articles "[The Natural Resources Satellite Account: Feasibility study](#)" and "[The Natural Resources Satellite Account – Sources and methods](#)," which are part of the *Income and Expenditure Accounts Technical Series* (Catalogue number 13-604-M).



Statistics Canada is delighted to invite you to our **free** upcoming virtual information sessions.

- Summarizing Data Is Easy, Really!
- Communicating Data Like a Human
- Exploring the Labour Market with Statistics Canada
- Inform or Fool: Use and Misuse of Statistics

Intended Target Audience: There are introductory webinars and may be too basic for advanced data users.

Language: English

These sessions are available at no cost. Space is limited.

Summarizing Data Is Easy, Really!

This presentation is a crash course on basic descriptive statistics used in data processing and suggestions on how to summarize the most relevant results for basic data analysis. Through examples, attendees will learn how to calculate and interpret statistical measures such as percentages, ratios, averages, and frequencies.

Date: September 10, 2024 (Tuesday)

Time: From 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) / 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) / 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Central Time (CT)

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This session is available at no cost. Space is limited

Communicating Data Like a Human

Learn how to use data to tell a story! This concise session covers fundamental ideas and methods involved in communicating statistics effectively. Also learn how to communicate visually, by adopting general data visualization guidelines to plan, organize, and visualize your data story.

Date: September 20 (Friday), 2024

Time: From 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) / 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) / 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Central Time (CT)

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This session is available at no cost. Space is limited.

Exploring the Labour Market with Statistics Canada

Looking to change jobs or wondering which career to pursue but unsure about the prospects of work in that field? Understanding the labour market will help you make evidence-based decisions to answer these types of questions. This session will teach participants how to use the Statistics Canada website to find data that will help them understand their labour market and answer these important questions.

Exploring labour market in Manitoba

Date: September 19, 2024 (Thursday)

From 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) / 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Central Time (CT)

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Exploring labour market in Saskatchewan

Date: September 23, 2024 (Monday)

From 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) / 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Central Time (CT)

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Inform or Fool: Use and Misuse of Statistics

In today's information landscape, distinguishing between misinformation and disinformation is increasingly challenging, leading to a general erosion of trust. This session delves into the critical differences between these two forms of misinformation and provides you with the essential data literacy tools. Through discussions and examples, you'll learn how to interpret claims and counter-claims based on data and be able to navigate the complex world of information with confidence.

Date: September 24, 2024 (Tuesday)

From 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) / 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Mountain Time (MT) / 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Central Time (CT)

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July 29th, 2024

Mr. Dave Kreklewich
RM of Oakland Wawanesa
Box 278
Wawanesa MB R0K 2G0

Dear Mr. Kreklewich and Council of the Rural Municipality of Oakland Wawanesa:

Thank you for your donation of \$1,000 to the Wawanesa Health Centre.

This year your donation has been earmarked to be used towards upgrading our activity room. Making a space that our residents can all gather together for activities without being interrupted with back ground noise with the focus on dementia care.

We sincerely appreciate your financial support and thank you for including the Wawanesa Health Centre in your grant disbursements.

Sincerely,

Cheryl La Rocque
Activities Coordinator
Wawanesa Health Centre

Enclosure: Receipt

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*The Royal Canadian Artillery
Museum (RCA Museum)
Building N118, CFB Shilo
P.O. Box 5000 Stn Main
Shilo, MB R0K 2A0*



*Musée de l'Artillerie royale
canadienne (Musée de l'ARC)
Bâtiment N-118, BFC Shilo
C.P. 5000, succursale Main
Shilo (Manitoba) R0K 2A0*

10 July 2024

Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
Pobox 278
Wawanesa, MB
R0K 2G0

Dear Joni:

Thank you for your recent donation of \$300.00 to the RCA Museum Your willingness to help our museum with a donation is greatly appreciated.

Your donation will also help pay for much needed conservation supplies and help maintain our displays throughout the museum. Additionally, your donation will help us to better achieve our mission. The mission of the Museum is to inform and educate the public about the military technology, culture and heritage of Canada; with emphasis on the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery and the Province of Manitoba.

Again, thank you for your donation.

Regards,



Andrew Oakden
Museum Director
RCA Museum





July 30, 2024

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Ms. Joni Swidnicki, Chief Administrative Officer
Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
PO Box 28
Nesbitt, MB R0K 1P0

Dear Ms. Swidnicki,

I want to express my sincere gratitude for your donation to STARS. Because of your support, STARS saved my life.

It was a quiet Sunday on my ranch until the weekend peace was shattered by Bazinga, my feisty horse. After letting him calm down, I reached to move him away from the fence so I could take the saddle off. With one hind leg kick to my ribs, I was sent flying. My left side hurt, and I was having trouble breathing. My wife, Lynette, quickly drove me to our local hospital where a scan was performed, and a doctor immediately requested STARS – my spleen was ruptured from the kick. I only had minutes left without critical care. The moment STARS arrived, I instantly felt calm. I knew the situation was under control.

No one plans to have a serious medical emergency, but when it happens, STARS can be there thanks to your support. Your \$500.00 donation means that by air, ground, or satellite link, patients for generations to come will have access to the care needed to save their lives, like me. Today, I've recovered and I'm enjoying life with my family. We are so grateful STARS was there for me that day, because of allies like you. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Kirk Wall

Kirk Wall
STARS Very Important Patient

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Per: *Kirk Wall*