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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Glaslyn hosts SUMA spring regional meeting**

Mayors, council members and administrators from Saskatchewan cities, towns and villages are meeting during the month of June in a series of semi-annual regional meetings of Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) members.

“Our regional meetings provide a great opportunity for local municipal council members to gather to discuss issues for their region, and also to share solutions. We also receive extremely valuable input from our members, which helps us to focus our efforts in the coming year,” said SUMA President Allan Earle.

Impacts of the new provincial Municipal Operating Grant program, federal and provincial infrastructure funding commitments, and SUMA strategic plan updates were included as part of the discussion. The agenda also included issues specific to the region.

Newly appointed Municipal Affairs Minister, Hon. Jeremy Harrison, also attended the meeting. Minister Harrison was complimentary in thanking former Municipal Affairs Minister Bill Hutchinson for his efforts, and said that he looks forward to working with SUMA and the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) to advance the municipal agenda.

SUMA is the collective voice of urban municipal governments in Saskatchewan, representing 450 member municipalities. Through strength in unity, SUMA advocates, negotiates and initiates improvements in local, provincial and federal legislation and delivers programs and services to members to enhance urban life in Saskatchewan.

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