

URBAN Update

March 11, 2019



New Crime Watch System Launched in Saskatchewan

Help foster resilient hometowns that proactively prevent crime by joining the [Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network](#).

Through the network, the RCMP and its partner agencies have the ability to communicate directly with the public on matters of crime prevention and community safety. Citizens can sign up to receive crime watch advisories from their local RCMP detachments by text message, email, or phone.

Signing up to be a part of the network is free and only takes a few minutes. Initially, only those living in the southern part of the province will receive advisories, but everyone is encouraged to sign up in anticipation of expansion of the advisory network.

Sign up to be part of the Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network

Learn more by watching the Saskatchewan Crime Watch Advisory Network video



SUMA Members Receiving Letters from CP Rail

Some members have been in contact with SUMA, expressing concerns over letters they have received from CP Rail. In the letters, CP asks for a substantial contribution toward railway crossing maintenance, and offers a grant towards closure of the crossing as an alternative to paying for the maintenance. In some cases, it appears the funds requested are to be put toward maintenance of the rail track itself, rather than the roadway portion of the crossing—which the municipality may not be responsible for. Should your municipality receive a similar letter, you are encouraged to contact **John Corey** at the Canadian Transportation Agency (819-953-9930) or **Bruce Kavanaugh** at Transport Canada (204-983-7295). They can advise you on what the maintenance entails, and what options your municipality has available.



Don't Forget to Register for the SUMA Webinar: Construction Procurement Tips and Traps

The summer construction season is coming up. Make sure your project procurement process is built for success. Hear tips and learn how to avoid procurement traps in the SUMA webinar *Construction Procurement Tips and Traps*.

Join **Mark Yemen** of McDougall Gauley LLP on **March 19 at 10 a.m.** He will share insights gained from working on municipal construction projects across the province and talk best construction procurement practices.

See our [event listing](#) for more information.

Register now!



Emergency Preparedness: Is Your Community Prepared?

The Ministry of Government Relations, Public Safety Division, worked with other Government of Saskatchewan ministries, Crowns, and agencies on the Climate Resilience Measurement Framework. This framework titled, *Prairie Resilience: A Made-in-Saskatchewan Climate Change Strategy*, is part of the provincial climate change strategy. The framework is a system-wide

approach that focuses on the province's readiness and resilience to emerging climate conditions.

The framework contains measures across five key areas with a focus on strengthening adaptive and transformative capacities for the Province of Saskatchewan. The five areas of measure are:

1. Natural Systems
2. Physical Infrastructure
3. Economic Suitability
4. Community Preparedness
5. Human Well-Being

Under the Community Preparedness measure, the framework suggests emergency preparedness plans help communities respond to emergencies in a timely, efficient, and coordinated manner.

Share how your municipality is prepared to handle an emergency by taking a short, six question survey.

Take the survey

New SUMA Address

It's official, SUMA has moved! We are now located in Regina's Harbour Landing.

Our new mailing address is:
305 - 4741 Parliament Avenue
Regina, SK
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Funding: Last Chance to Apply for CAP

Is your community airport in need of upgrades? Funding is available to eligible communities through the [Community Airport Partnership \(CAP\) Program](#). CAP is accepting applications until Friday, **March 15**. Find out more by reading the 2019-20 CAP program and application guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Cook at 306-933-5947.

Apply Before March 15 for the CEDI Program

If you are a municipality or First Nation interested in participating in a cutting edge program that supports reconciliation through relationship-building and the development of a joint community economic initiative, [apply now](#) to participate in the First Nation-Municipal partnership with the First Nations-Municipal Community Economic Development Initiative (CEDI) program.

Build Your Skills with Asset Management

Starting next month, Asset Management Saskatchewan (AM-SK) has a full lineup of Asset Management trainings taking place across the province. This includes an in person, three-day workshop taking place in either Saskatoon, Regina, or Prince Albert, as well as a free webinar series. Sign up for any of the training here:

3-day NAMS Canada Training Workshop:

[Regina: April 23-25](#)

[Saskatoon: April 9-11](#)

[Prince Albert: April 30-May 2](#)

Free Webinar Series: The Building Blocks of Success:

[April 1 Levels of Service
Development](#)

[April 3 Risk Management](#)

Contractor Safety Breakfasts

The annual Saskatchewan Common Ground Alliance (SCGA) Contractor Safety Awareness Breakfast and presentation has been successfully delivering the "dig safe" messaging to front line excavators and contractors in Saskatchewan for 30 years.

To celebrate the 30th anniversary, [30 locations](#) will play host to the breakfast sessions to spread the important dig safe message.

Public works crews, equipment operators, municipal officials, first responders, or anyone that supports the goal of preventing unnecessary damages and injuries due to unsafe digging, is invited to attend the free breakfast.

To attend, [register online](#). If you wish

For more information about Asset Management Saskatchewan, visit www.assetmanagementsk.ca.

to register more than five people, please email scgacontractorbreakfast@scga.ca.

Have a question? Email scgacontractorbreakfast@scga.ca or scain@scga.ca.

Events



Upcoming Events

SUMA Webinar: Construction Procurement Tips and Traps
March 19

SUMA Webinar: Toward Parity
More information coming soon

Convention 2019 Lost and Found

Did you lose a computer bag at Convention 2019? If so, we have what you're looking for. Please call the SUMA office at 306-525-3727.

Classifieds and Grants



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Positions Available:

- City of Lloydminster: *Executive Manager for Community Development Services* (March 22)
- Town of Valleyview: *Chief Administrative Officer* (When filled)
- Town of St. Walburg: *Public Works Operator* (When filled)
- Town of Lafleche: *Chief Administrative Officer* (When filled)
- Town of Wadena: *Chief Administrative Officer* (When filled)



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Government of Saskatchewan *Community Airport Partnership (CAP) Program* (March 15)
- Farm Credit Canada *AgriSpirit Fund* (March 29)
- SGI *Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant* (March 30)
- SaskCulture *Multicultural Initiatives Fund - Project Funding* (March 31)
- Community Initiatives Fund *Community Grant Program* (April 1)
- Saskatchewan Parks and

Have a position to fill or an item to sell? [Submit your ad](#) on our website.

Find the latest listings by visiting the [SUMA Classifieds](#) section of our website, under the Programs and Services tab.

Recreation Association
*Community Cultural Diversity
Inclusion Grant (May 1)*

For a full listing of grants, check the [Grants](#) section of our website under the Resources tab.

**Thank you for reading this week's
Urban Update. We welcome your
comments.**

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