

Urban Update



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New CEO Settling In

SUMA's new Chief Executive Officer Jean-Marc Nadeau now has two weeks under his belt in the office. We are excited to have him here, and look forward to a continued warm welcome from members. You can reach [Jean-Marc by email](#) or at 306-525-4387.

Convention 2018: Did You Get Your Registration Email?

SUMA launched registration for Convention 2018 on November 6. The main email contact for your municipality should have received a email inviting you to register. If you did not receive it, be sure to check your junk mail folder. Not there? Email registration@suma.org.

Capacity Building: Register Now for Asset Management Training

Asset Management Saskatchewan is [taking registration now](#) for free webinars starting **November 30**. They will start offering in-person workshops in February 2018, around the province. Get all the details on their upcoming training [on their website](#).

Capacity Building: Wetlands

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Last Chance for Ice-Melt Savings

SUMAdvantage
Your first call for savings

Winter is here and so is that snow. Keep your parking lots and sidewalks safe with the Clearpath

Webinar for Members

Members, don't miss your chance to take in a free webinar from the comfort of your own office on **November 28** at 10:00 a.m. Find out why and how wetlands are important in the Canadian prairies, and how wetland drainage affects Saskatchewan municipalities. [Registration is now open.](#)

Thanks to Dr. Pascal Badiou, Research Scientist at Ducks Unlimited Canada's Institute for Wetland and Waterfowl Research, for preparing and delivering this presentation, exclusive to SUMA members.

Convention 2018: Social Activities

Welcome Reception - Sunday, February 4

Kick off your Convention 2018 experience in the AGT Lounge at the new Mosaic Stadium from 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m. Network with SUMA's Board of Directors and your fellow delegates while enjoying some football, light appetizers, and a cash bar. Once the Super Bowl has wrapped up, show off your dance moves when FOGDOG takes the stage to perform for the remainder of the night. Tickets for this event are \$40 and space is limited, so purchase your tickets today! Be sure to wear favourite football team's jersey.

President's Banquet and Awards Ceremony - Tuesday, February 6

The President's Banquet and Awards Ceremony is a time to acknowledge the dedication of long-serving elected officials and municipal employees. Join SUMA for a buffet-style dinner and cash bar as we honour our award recipients. After the formal program, get ready for a good laugh with comedian Dave Hemstad. Tickets for this event are \$60. This is a great value for an evening filled with food, celebrations, and entertainment. We look forward to seeing you there!

Ombudsman Provides Conflict of

Ice Melter from Staples Business Advantage. SUMA members get a great promotional price, but only while quantities last, so act fast.

Regular price: \$23.99 for a 20 kg bag

Your price: \$16.65 per bag or \$15.65 per bag if you buy a skid of 56 bags

The early buy program is only available by contacting your Account Manager, [Graham Hellquist](#), between now and **December 1, 2017.**

While quantities last. Seasonal Product - No Returns.

Visit [SUMAdvantage online](#) for a complete list of member programs or email [Lisa Rawlings](#) at SUMA with any questions.

Classifieds

JOIN THE SUMA TEAM

Group Benefits Administrator
(November 30)

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association: Inclusion and Access Consultant (November 22)

Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association: Youth Engagement Consultant (November 22)

RM of Eagle Creek: Administrator
(November 30)

Interest Checklist

Earlier this month, Ombudsman Saskatchewan posted a checklist for council members on conflict of interest. There are a handful of questions to help you figure out whether you find yourself in a conflict of interest, and how to handle the times you do have a conflict of interest. You can [view the checklist](#) on the [Ombudsman Saskatchewan website](#).

Incineration Guidance From the Ministry of Environment

In [the SUMA Urban Solid Waste Management Policy](#), a key recommendation is to innovate in waste reduction and respond to complex waste disposal issues. A potential response to reduce waste and meet complex disposal issues is incineration.

SUMA has communicated [member interest](#) in studying incineration to the Environment Minister and Ministry of Environment. The ministry has responded to this interest by releasing this document on Waste Incineration to help show how to create and manage a waste incineration project.

For more information, contact [the ministry's Client Service Office](#) or [Steven Dribnenki](#).

We Want to Hear From You: Household Hazardous Waste

SUMA has been advocating for a province-wide recycling program for household hazardous waste since 2001. We are pleased to tell you that the provincial government is developing [regulations to create a program](#), and this is our chance to share input. You can do that in three steps:

1. Review [the summary document](#).

Village of Quill Lake/RM of Lakeside: Administrator (November 30)

Town of St. Brieux: Chief Administrative Officer (December 15)

City of Yorkton: Landfill and Waste Manager (When filled)

Town of Shellbrook: Public Works Employee (When filled)

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

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

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines

- *First Nations and Métis Community Engagement Project Fund* (December 5)
- Saskatchewan Prevention Institute: *Young Healthy Community Grant Program* (January 31)

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

2. Complete [the online survey](#) by **December 15**.
3. [Let us know](#) you responded.

If you are looking for other information before you complete the survey, you can review [our solid waste policy](#), review [the survey questions](#) in advance, and contact [Steven Dribnenki](#) if you have any questions.

Scrap Tire Recycling

As of January 1, 2018, Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan will operate Saskatchewan's scrap tire recycling program. They will continue the program as is through 2018, but plan to make changes in collaboration with the industry and stakeholders such as SUMA, as outlined in their [approved product stewardship program](#). So watch future editions of Urban Update for any news or consultations.

Funding to Address Aboriginal Homelessness

The Provincial Metis Housing Corporation (PMHC) is hosting a conference call **today at 1:30 p.m.** on funding for the Government of Canada Homelessness Partnering Strategy. Details on the program are [available on the PMHC website](#), including [application information](#).

Conference call number: 1-877-413-4788

Conference ID: 4830948#

Message on Transition to One Health Region

The Ministry of Health has passed on a [message from Saskatchewan Health Authority CEO Scott Livingstone](#) on the transition to a single health region in the province.

About Us

Thank you for reading the Urban Update this week. We welcome your comments.

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