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News:

SUMA wants to know!

The SUMA Convention Planning Committee is reviewing the annual convention format and needs the members input. Please take a few minutes to provide your valuable feedback to us! Click here to access the survey.

Give us 'the Scoop'

Municipalities are encouraged to submit nominations for the **Scoop Lewry Award.** 'The Scoop' is presented at the SUMA Convention Awards Program in recognition of outstanding service in municipal government or administration, on a local and provincial/national basis. Those eligible to be nominated are elected officials, administrators, SUMA officials and personnel in Municipal Affairs and First Nations and Métis Relations. The nomination form can be located on the <u>SUMA website</u>. The submission deadline is September 14, 2010.

SUMAssure Meeting

Presented by Aon Reed Stenhouse and Suncorp Valuations, SUMAssure is having an information session prior to the UMAAS Convention on June 8, 2010 in Saskatoon. The meeting will provide existing and perspective members with benefits of the SUMAssure Insurance reciprocal and professional appraisal and valuation services. To register, click here.

Growth and Development Portal

Municipal responsibility to create vibrant, healthy, well serviced communities is challenging. To help you through the process of assessing your planning needs, acquiring professional expertise and considering the opportunity of district planning, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs has developed publications to assist you in this work. These publications can be found online through the ministry's Growth and Development portal located here. Some of the documents you will find include:

- Planning Districts-A Tool for Growth
- Sample District Planning Agreement
- Assessing Your Planning Needs
- Managing the Cost of Municipal Planning
- Finding Planning Professionals
- Request for Proposals (RFP) Guide
- Sample Request For Proposal (for professional community planning)
- services)

Congratulations to this year's award winners!

Saskatchewan Municipal Awards celebrated another year of excellence and best practices in the municipal sector on May 14th, 2010 at the Ramada Hotel in Regina. Congratulations to all <u>winning</u> municipalities on job well done!

Now Accepting Nominations!

It's not too early to get thinking about recognizing long-serving municipal government employees and elected officials through the SUMA Convention Awards Program, taking place February 1, 2011.

Nomination forms can be located on the <u>SUMA website</u>. The submission deadline is September 24, 2010.

Community Airport Partnership Grants Take Flight

The Minister Highways and Infrastructure announced nine grants on May 7, 2010 with a total of \$500,000 to improve Saskatchewan airports. The grants are through the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure's Community Airports Partnership (CAP) program and are matched by eligible recipients. Please click here to read the news release. To learn more about the program, please click here.

Corporate Services:

Win two tickets to next year's Convention Banquet!

It's easy to enter - just put your brain to work! We are looking for a new and dynamic convention theme for the 2011 SUMA Convention. Everyone who enters will have their name put into a draw for two tickets to the President's Banquet. Put some thought into it and send your themes to tmeier@suma.org.

Waterworks System Assessment (WSA) - Round 2

Many member municipalities are required to complete a WSA – Round 2 by December 31, 2010. If your municipality is required to perform a WSA, <u>click here</u> for information on how to hire an engineer to perform the assessment.

Upcoming Events:

SUMA 2010 Spring Regional Meetings – sponsored in part by SaskPower and Prairie Fuel Advisors

June 1-4 and 14-16

Locations throughout Saskatchewan

Registration forms and agendas are posted to the SUMA website.

The Canadian Housing and Renewal Association 42nd Annual Congress June 2 – 5, 2010

Quebec City, Quebec

This year's theme is Affordable Housing: An essential Investment and the program include sessions focused on tangible, practical solutions that can be applied to both small and large municipalities – both urban and rural. To learn more about the conference, please visit the website.

Canadian Water Summit

June 17, 2010

Toronto, Ontario

Water is embedded in virtually every facet of the Canadian economy. Don't miss the <u>opportunity</u> to join leaders from business, government, and civil society to help shape Canada's sustainable water future.

2010 SUMA Golf Tournament

July 15 &16, 2010

Melville, Saskatchewan

This year's annual SUMA Golf Tournament will be at Melville Golf & Country Club. All registrations must be received by **Friday**, **June 30**th, **2010**. For more information on the golf tournament, please click <u>here</u>.

For more events, visit the **SUMA events calendar**

Classifieds:

- Town of Maidstone: Superintendent of Public Works & Utilities June 25, 2010
- City of Moose Jaw: Chief Draftsperson June 4, 2010
- Town of Cabri: Assistant Town Foreman June 14, 2010
- City of Cold Lake: Operations Manager June 18, 2010
- Town of Valleyview: Town Manager June 15, 2010
- City of Humboldt: City Manager May 31, 2010
- Rural Municipality of Porcupine No. 395: Administrator May 27, 2010
- Town of Mossbank: Administrator May 27, 2010
- Town of Coaldale: Assistant Town Manager May 28, 2010
- SUMA: Communications and Web Coordinator May 28, 2010
- R.M. of Dufferin #190 and the Village of Bethune: Administrator May 31, 2010
- Resort Village of Alice Beach: Administrator May 31, 2010