

June 7, 2010

News:

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.

Black Gold Rush - Scrap Tire Corporation Launching Pilot Project to Clean Private Stockpiles

The Saskatchewan Scrap Tire Corporation is launching a pilot project in Southwest Saskatchewan aimed at cleaning up all private stockpiles of scrap tires in the region. The first step of the pilot project will get underway this month as the corporation works with municipalities and the public to identify the location of private stockpiles. For more information on the pilot project, please click <a href="https://example.com/here/beauty-scrap-region-com/here/beauty-scrap-region

2010 Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program

SUMA has contacted all qualified municipalities for the 2010 Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program for paper and cardboard. If your municipality was in last year's program, you should have received an email from SUMA last week. A website featuring information about this year's program will be available by mid-June. If you have not received last week's email, please <a href="mailto:e

A New Website on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation in Saskatchewan

To find out about the impacts of climate change in Saskatchewan and information on adaptation actions, please visit the new <u>website</u>. The new website puts Saskatchewan among the leaders nationally in providing information on the impacts of climate change.

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.

Residential Construction Springs Forward in April

Saskatchewan's year over year growth in the number of residential building permits issued led the nation in April 2010 according to Enterprise Saskatchewan. Overall, Saskatchewan residential and non-residential permits combined increased by 57.1 per cent. To read the full press release, please click here.

New B-Train Carrier Weights Harmonized Across Western Canada

The Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure has made changes to the Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations, 1999 to allow an increase in the weight limit from the current 62,500 kg to 63,500 kg on Saskatchewan's most heavily travelled highways. This will harmonize rules for commercial carriers across Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. To read more, please click here.

MCDP: Bylaw Enforcement Officer Resources

Premier Outlines Priorities for next 18 months

Premier Brad Wall recently <u>released</u> mandate letters to all of his cabinet ministers outlining the government's priorities for the next 18 months. To view all of the mandate letters, please click <u>here</u>. SUMA will be reviewing these letters in the coming days. We will continue advocating on behalf of our members, ensuring that their priorities remain a priority of the provincial government. If members have any comments and questions, please <u>email</u>us.

"Calling all Big Thinkers..."

Think Big is a new electronic magazine published quarterly and circulated to over two thousand people directly and indirectly involved in the construction industry. The magazine features major infrastructure projects such as the Global Transportation Hub, the latest technologies on building techniques and sustainable and green building practices. You can view on-line examples of the <u>magazine</u> or please contact <u>Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association</u> for a copy of this magazine.

Grants of the Week:

Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)'s Green Municipal Fund – Deadline: Open Year-round FCM's Green Municipal Fund is a unique program that supports municipal initiatives across Canada that benefits the environment, local economies and quality of life. This fund provides grants for communities to develop sustainability plans, undertake feasibility studies, and implement capital projects. For full details of the program, please click here.

Farm Credit Canada's AgriSpirit Fund - Deadline: June 14, 2010.

Farm Credit Canada wants to make life better for people living in small communities. This \$5,000 to \$25,000 grant focuses on building infrastructure including libraries, food banks, care homes, playground structures, and emergency services equipment in communities with a population under 100,000 people. For full details of the program, please click here.

Corporate Services:

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:

2010 UMAAS Conference "Passport to the Future" June 8 to 11, 2010 Travelodge Hotel, Saskatoon

For more information on this year's conference, please click here.

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

June 14-16, 2010

Locations throughout Saskatchewan

Registration forms and agendas are posted to the SUMA website.

The Canadian Housing and Renewal Association 42^{nd} 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**, **2010**. For more information on the golf tournament, please click <u>here</u>.

For more events, visit the SUMA events calendar

Classifieds:

- Village of Manor: Maintenance Man June 25, 2010
- Town of Shaunavon: Recreation Director June 30, 2010
- City of Melville: Assistant Public Works Manager Open Until Filled
- RM of Shell River: Chief Administrative Officer Open Until Filled
- Town of Kerrobert: Assistant Administrator June 18, 2010
- Town of Wadena: Administrator June 28, 2010
- Town of Oxbow: Public Works Foreman June 18, 2010
- 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
- Fire Trucks for Sale June 28, 2010