

August 3, 2010

#### News:

# Lower deductibles, more funding available: *improvements to Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP)*

With a summer of unprecedented weather damage, Saskatchewan residents have incurred major losses from flooding, tornadoes, plow winds and severe storms. The provincial government recently announced improvements to the PDAP including a reduction for private claimants' deductibles from 20% to 5% and increases to the maximum amount of financial assistance available to individuals, small businesses, non-profits, boards and primary agricultural enterprises. To learn more click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### West Nile mosquitoes found in Estevan area

The province's first West Nile Virus-positive Culex tarsalis mosquitoes have been identified in the Estevan area. Numbers of this type of mosquito are peaking in several locales in southern Saskatchewan, and the risk of exposure to West Nile Virus is also expected to increase. For more, click <a href="here">here</a>. To view the weekly West Nile & Culex Report for July 30, click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program**

Please note that the Bridge Funding Program only covers paper and cardboard recycling. If your submission is composed entirely of paper and/or cardboard it should be indicated. If it is not entirely composed of paper/cardboard, then you must provide SUMA with how much of your total submitted recycling is paper/cardboard.

Also, if you have not yet sent us your submission, please do so as soon as possible. You may fax it to 525- 4373 or email it to recycle@suma.org

#### Got a Question?

To help municipal administrators and elected officials, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs maintains a "<u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>" webpage. You can find the answers to some of most commonly asked questions on municipal management, community planning and land use. The Municipal Capacity Development Program (MCDP) also has a <u>discussion forum</u> on municipal issues. This is a great way for municipalities to share information and experience.

#### **Grants of the Week:**

#### Take advantage of available money! Check out SUMA's grants page

SUMA has recently updated and expanded its list of grants available to municipalities and communities. To access a current list of grants see the <a href="SUMA grants page">SUMA grants page</a>.

#### Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation's Grant Programs - Deadline: August 15

The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation offers five assistance programs for projects that preserve or discover a piece of Saskatchewan's heritage. The five programs are based on the following types of projects: research, conservation, promotion and education, publications, and special projects. For full details of the program, please click here.

## 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 benefit 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.

#### **Corporate Services:**

#### **SUMA Advantage Offers Supplies for Mosquito Control Program**

With mosquito season upon us, this is a reminder that SUMA Advantage offers a mosquito control program. In partnership with Evergo (formally Westgro Horticultural Supplies), member municipalities can purchase Vectobac, Altosid or Vectolex CG at special member pricing. The program was designed specially for smaller municipalities who purchase requirements are less than the price advantage offered by full pallet pricing. For more information and product pricing, please click <a href="here">here</a> or contact Evergo at 800-661-2991.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

### Planning for Growth workshop

Aug. 19 Manitou Beach

This is the last of the only round of workshops offered. For more info, contact msteranka@sasktel.net.

#### **Canadian Association of Police Boards**

August 18 - 21, 2010

Saint John, NB

Canadian Association of Police Boards is the only national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance in Canada. This year's annual <u>conference</u> is in Saint John, New Brunswick.

#### **62nd IPAC National Annual Conference**

**Guardians of Our Communities: from Local to Global** 

August 22 - 25, 2010

Ottawa, ON

To learn more about the conference, please click here.

## Saskatchewan River Delta Mini-Symposium and Stewardship Discussion

Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin (Registration Deadline July 12)

September 14-15, 2010

The Pas, MB

For more information on this symposium and meeting, please visit www.saskriverbasin.ca.

#### **Financial Statement Workshops**

October 5 - 7, 2010

Regina & Saskatoon, SK

For further information, please go to www.sasktca.ca/events

#### **Canadian Urban Forest Conference 9**

October 5 – 7, 2010

Truro, NS

The Canadian Urban Forest Conference (CUFC) is held every two years, alternating between an eastern and western host community. The CUFC has become recognized as the education and networking event for those working in the field of urban forest management. For more information on the conference, please go to the conference homepage.

#### MCDP Sustainable Planning Workshop October 14, 2010 Meadow Lake, SK

For more information on the sustainable planning workshop, please email MCDP.

#### Rural Development Institute and Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation Conference October 14-16, 2010 Brandon, MB

The national conference will focus on issues affecting rural communities and their futures. Saskatchewan's <u>Municipal Capacity Development Program</u> has been invited to showcase successful inter-municipal practices at this year's conference. For more information on the conference, please click here.

# 14th Canadian National Conference & 5th Policy Forum on Drinking Water October 30-November 2, 2010 Saskatoon SK

With the objectives of assuring continuous improvement in drinking water services and public health in the face of new challenges, aging infrastructure and new solutions, the 2010 Conference and Policy Forum will focus on the unique challenges faced in aligning research needs with reality in the drinking water situations across the country. Featuring both oral and poster presentations, and possibly a policy or research forum, the event will also address regulatory issues, research needs, and the contaminants of emerging concern. Contact <a href="https://www.cwwa.ca">www.cwwa.ca</a>

For more events, visit the SUMA events calendar.

#### Classifieds:

#### Positions Available:

- City of Weyburn: Store/Yard Clerk When filled
- City of Melville: Assistant Public Works Director When filled
- Town of Didsbury: Manager of Public Works When filled
- City of Moose Jaw: Manager of Engineering Services August 23, 2010
- <u>Village of St. Louis: P/T Maintenance & Waterworks</u> August 17, 2010
- Town of Maidstone: Urban Administrator August 13, 2010
- Town of Luseland: Administrator August 6, 2010
- City of Melfort: Community Development Manager August 6, 2010
- Town of Cabri: Temporary Town Administrator August 4, 2010
- Town of Black Diamond: Public Works Equipment Operator II When filled

#### Items For Sale:

- Rescue Unit for Sale August 6, 2010
- Ice Machine for Sale August 31, 2010