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News:

SUMA member benefit - free access to Saskatchewan Geospatial Imagery site

Through SUMA's participation in the Saskatchewan Geospatial Imagery Collaborative (SGIC), members can access high-resolution satellite imagery of their municipality, their region and the whole province. Urban administrators and councils will likely find the content more current than the aerial photos located in municipal offices, and the website allows users to zoom, pan, search and add information layers. To apply for your FREE username and password, contact Gail Meyer, Manager of Member & Administrative Services at (306) 525-4398 or email suma@suma.org.

Regional Meeting reminder – plan to attend!

SUMA would like to remind members to attend the upcoming fall round of regional meetings. For more information on dates and locations, and agenda items, please visit the <u>SUMA website</u>.

What do YOU want to see in the "new" Urban Update?

SUMA is updating the Update, and we are looking for direction from our readers. Please send an email this week to suma@suma.org to let us know what you like, or would like to see changed. More stories? Or less? An increased focus on grants? Or events? This is your publication, members – so take advantage of the right to help us make it better! And watch in coming weeks for a new, improved Update!

Building Saskatchewan Green 2010 invites you!

SUMA members and Urban Update readers are invited to attend the Building Saskatchewan Green (BSG) 2010 conference, to be held in Regina at the University of Regina October 15. For more information, visit the BSG website.

2010 Communities in Bloom provincial winners to be announced

On Friday, October 15, 2010 the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association will host its annual Volunteer Awards Banquet in Regina. Recognition will be given to the contributions of volunteers and professionals within the province's rec and parks delivery system. At this event, the provincial winners of Saskatchewan's Communities in Bloom program for 2010 will be announced. Read the press release here.

Got a great water story? Share it.

The January 2011 issue of Water's Next hopes to celebrate the best and brightest stories about Canada's water. If your municipality has a great water story, visit www.watercanada.net/watersnext.

Does an initiative in your community merit national recognition?

The 2011 FCM Sustainable Community Awards celebrate excellence in sustainable community development by highlighting the best municipal initiatives that link environmental, social and economic goals. Eligible initiatives include municipally led sustainable development programs and projects. Municipalities of all sizes and from all provinces and territories are encouraged to apply. Awards will be granted in eight categories: brownfields, buildings, energy, planning, residential development, transportation, waste and water.

Applications will remain open until November 5, 2010. For more information email awards@fcm.ca or call (613) 907-6334.

Grant of the Week:

EcoENERGY for Renewable Heat

Using the power of the sun to heat buildings and water not only helps businesses lower costs, but it reduces the amount of harmful emissions produced. The ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat program is a four-year, \$36 million investment to:

- Increase the use of renewable thermal energy by industry, commercial businesses and institutions
- Boost the amount of renewable thermal energy created for these sectors
- Contribute to cleaner air by helping Canadian businesses use less fossil fuel-based energy for space and water heating in buildings across the country

The ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat program runs from April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2011. Incentives are offered to the industrial/commercial/institutional sector to install active energy-efficient solar air and/or water heating systems.

For more information, click here.

For more funding opportunities, please check out the grant section of SUMA's webpage by clicking here.

Upcoming Events:

Business and Professional Women panel October 18, 2010

Regina, SK

This event will feature a panel celebrating the impact of the ongoing bursary programs that BPW supports. Please register with Lori Radmacher at loriradmacher@accesscomm.ca or call (306) 581-7866.

2010 Wings of Saskatchewan annual conference and trade show November 17-19, 2010 Yorkton, SK

The Saskatchewan Aviation Council, the Saskatchewan Aerial Applicators and the Canadian Business Aviation Association – Saskatchewan chapter are pleased to host the 2010 conference. The theme this year is "maintaining and developing Saskatchewan Community Airports". For more information, contact the conference administrator Marilyn Grose at wingsofsask@sasktel.net, or (306) 931-6118.

For more events, visit the <u>SUMA Urban Update Events</u> page. For more SUMA events, visit the <u>SUMA events calendar</u>.

Classifieds:

Positions Available:

- Village of Abernethy: Village Maintenance/Water Plant Operator October 15, 2010
- Village of Spy Hill: Administrator October 18, 2010
- City of Melfort: Facilities Manager October 22, 2010
- Town of Gravelbourg: Community Economic Development Officer October 29, 2010
- Town of Carnduff: Administrator When Filled
- Town of Black Diamond: Public Works Equipment Operator II When filled
- Town of Kindersley: Water Treatment Plant Manager When filled

For Sale:

• 3-Ton Truck c/w compactor, Street Sweeper, John Deere Mower - October 16, 2010