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2011 Municipal Asset Management Workshop

SUMA is hosting a two-day workshop on the topic of asset management for all urban and rural municipalities.

The two day workshop will be held:
Wednesday, October 19th and Thursday, October 20th, 2011
Sheraton Cavalier Hotel
612 Spadina Crescent East
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Space is limited to 120 people, so register soon. Suggested participants include City Managers, CAOs, Administrators, Treasurers/Directors of Finance, Municipal Engineers, and Public Works/Asset Managers.

Admission to this two day session is \$150.00 plus GST per registrant. Lunch and coffee breaks for both days are included in the cost. Payment with registration form can be sent to SUMA at: 200-2222 13th Avenue, Regina, SK S4P 3M7.

Priority will be given to municipalities. Registration forms and payment must be mailed to SUMA before August 31st, 2011.

A block of rooms has been set aside at the Sheraton Cavalier. When booking, state that you are attending the Asset Management Workshop being hosted by SUMA.

Any questions regarding this event can be directed to Sean

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Quote of the Week:

"An adventure is only an inconvenience rightly considered. An inconvenience is only an adventure wrongly considered."

-- Gilbert K. Chesterton,
writer

[**Have you looked at SUMA's list of available grants lately?**](#)

To access a current list of grants

McEachern, Senior Policy Advisor via e-mail at smceachern@suma.org, or by phone at (306) 525-4394.

available to municipalities and communities, see [the SUMA grants page](#).

Promote Crime Stoppers in your community

Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers has a limited supply of 4x4' metal signs that are available free of charge to municipalities that want to promote the program to their citizens.



If you are interested in receiving one of these signs, please contact Sgt. Mike Scharf, Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers Coordinator at (306) 780-5485 or email mike.scharf@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

33 municipalities involved in Communities in Bloom SK

Communities in Bloom, managed by the Sask Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) and sponsored by Equinox Industries, promotes involvement and action by citizens of all ages, municipal government, local organizations, and businesses.

Eleven communities will participate in the 2011 provincial Communities in Bloom competition, with 22 more showing support through the Friends (non-competitive) category. As well, six municipalities will compete in the national program.

Volunteer judges adjudicate communities' efforts in

SUMA Classifieds:

Positions Available:

Town of Carlyle: Public Works Superintendent (09/15/2011)

Town of St. Brieux: Town Foreman (When Filled)

Resort Village of Etters Beach: Maintenance Manager (08/15/2011)

City of Humboldt: Director of Finance (08/05/2011)

Town of Choiceland: Foreman/woman (07/31/2011)

Woodlands County, AB: Director, Corporate Services (07/22/2011)

Town of Cupar: Administrator Assistant (07/13/2011)

Town of Unity: Public Works Director (07/08/2011)

Resort Village of Kannata Valley: Administrator (06/30/2011)

City of Lloydminster: Senior Development Officer (When Filled)

Town of Stoughton: Town Superintendent (08/15/11)

eight criteria during the weeks between July 18-August 19. Humboldt, Weyburn, Assiniboia, Kinistino, Unity and Denzil will compete nationally, with Meath Park, Blaine Lake, Ituna, Kamsack, Indian Head, Maple Creek, Eatonia, Broadview, Qu'Appelle, Eston and North Battleford in the provincial category.

For more information on the initiative, see the website at www.spra.sk.ca/cib.

Reminder: StatsCan National Household Survey important for municipalities!

In addition to the 2011 Census, Statistics Canada has begun collecting the National Household Survey, a voluntary replacement for the previous mandatory long-form census.

The information collected by the NHS is very important to YOU and your residents. It helps communities determine how and where to spend their federal transfer payment, and helps businesses build a profile of their customers, among many other things. The voluntary nature of the NHS means that we are counting on the support of communities, chambers and associations to help us promote the survey from the standpoint of why it is important to YOU and your community.

[Read this document](#) to find out more about the NHS, and how the data is used. Please encourage your community's residents to submit their NHS forms.

Town of Wapella:
Administrator (07/07/11)

Town of Maidstone:
Administrator (When Filled)

City of Meadow Lake: Public
Works Manager (08/15/11)

For Sale:

Used 1984 Rescue Unit Van
(When Sold)

Did you know...

In 2011, 73 Saskatchewan municipalities will celebrate their 100th anniversaries!

Municipal Links:

[FCM's First Nations -Municipal Community Infrastructure Partnership Program](#)

Municipal governments and First Nations across Canada are working together to provide improved and cost-effective services to their residents while strengthening ties between the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal populations in Canada. Although there are many successful service agreements, there are also many communities that have yet to meet their neighbour and work collaboratively. Through improved communication and relationship-building, First Nations and municipalities can create partnerships



Culex Tarsalis development progressing

Culex Tarsalis numbers are on the rise, most advanced in the province's southeast, but still behind 2010 levels. The recent hot weather has meant that the accumulated degree-day heat units are now approaching normal levels throughout most of Saskatchewan, and this, combined with the standing water from increased precipitation, means that both large numbers of nuisance mosquitos and *Culex Tarsalis* (carrier of West Nile Virus) mosquitos are on the rise.

For more information on *Culex Tarsalis* numbers, see [this link](#); and for a guide on protecting workers from West Nile visit [this link](#).

Recognize outstanding municipal work

Scoop Lewry Award nominations open

SUMA presents "The Scoop" 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 for nomination include elected officials, administrators, SUMA officials and personnel in Municipal Affairs and First Nations and Métis Relations.

based on respect and a sense of community to meet their mutual service and infrastructure needs.
<http://bit.ly/r4uRcM>

Do you have a suggestion for the Municipal Link? Send it along to communications@suma.org.

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 on Tuesday January 31, 2012.

Nomination forms can be located on the [SUMA website](#). The submission deadline is September 23, 2011.



About Us

We'd like to thank you for reading the Urban Update this week and we welcome

This award is dedicated to the memory of "Scoop" Lewry. Scoop was a long-serving Mayor of Moose Jaw who dedicated his career to improving his community with a kind and humanitarian spirit.

The nomination form is located on the [SUMA website](#). The submission deadline is September 14, 2011.

2011 Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program Website online

We are pleased to announce that the [Bridge Funding website](#) has been updated.

All the information you need, including the declaration and receipt submission forms, can be found on the website. As a reminder, the submission deadline for the first payment is July 28, 2011. The first payment is based on the actual tonnage for the January to June 2011 period. The rate for the first payment is \$25.00 per MT. In order to receive your funds, we require the following documentation:

- [Declaration Form](#);
- January-June 2011 tonnage receipts; and
- January-June 2011 [Receipt Submission Form](#).

Only municipalities that received bridge funding in 2010 are eligible for this year's program. Please note that we are not accepting new program participants.

Should you have any questions, please contact recycle@suma.org or Mr. Che-Wei Chung at (306) 525-4389.

your comments.

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