

News Bulletin

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Latest Updates

2025 Fall Convention & Trade Show



What an incredible three days at AMM's 27th Annual Fall Convention!

A huge thank you to our delegates, elected officials, government representatives, keynote speakers, and presenters for making this year one to remember.

Thank you for showing up, sharing insights, and helping move our communities forward.

Check out our Fall Convention Recap Video!

2025 AMM Infrastructure Grant Winners



Western Communities Foundation is proud to announce the 2025 AMM Infrastructure Grant recipients!

This program, created in partnership with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM), provides \$5,000 grants to Manitoba municipalities to enhance, upgrade, or build vital community infrastructure that improves safety, accessibility, sustainability, and connection—helping Manitoba communities thrive.

Congratulations to this year's recipients:

- Town of Gillam: Emergency Preparedness Project
- Town of Lynn Lake: Arena Community Hub & Emergency Support Space
- RM of Woodlands: Backup Power Supply
- Rossburn Municipality: Upgrading Our Community Core
- RM of Ritchot: Bilingual Communication Boards
- RM of Ste. Anne: Richer Fire Department Well Upgrades

Since the establishment of the Western Communities Foundation Community Infrastructure Grant, the Foundation has invested over \$2.5 million to support 490+ projects nationwide, creating spaces where people live, play, and connect.

Read more **HERE**.

Manitoba Government Presents Throne Speech



the Province of Manitoba delivered the Speech from the Throne to open the Third Session of the 43rd Manitoba Legislature.

The 2025 Throne Speech can be viewed **HERE**.

The News Release can be viewed *HERE*.

View The Speech from the Throne webpage **HERE**.

Manitoba Government Invites Applications for Two Community Development Grant Programs

The Manitoba government is inviting organizations to apply to the **From the Ground Up** and **Urban/Hometown Green Team programs**, two community development grant programs that support youth employment, local capacity building and economic development.

The application deadline for both programs is **Monday**, **Jan. 26**, **2026**. For more information about the programs and how to apply, visit: https://gov.mb.ca/grants.

View the Manitoba government news release **HERE**.

Manitoba EMO Urges Local Authorities to Join Recovery Planning Initiative with the Canadian Centre for Recovery and Resilience

Manitoba's Emergency Management Organization's (EMO) Recovery Team is encouraging local authorities to join a new initiative designed to support disaster recovery planning for your community. Applications are open until **December 10, 2025**, with confirmations issued by **December 12, 2025**.

Recovery planning in advance of a disaster will:

- Minimize disruptions
- Lessen financial impact
- Build confidence with residents

<u>The Canadian Centre for Recovery and Resilience</u> is launching a six-month national initiative to help local authorities develop pre-disaster recovery plans. The program structure includes monthly virtual sessions running from December 2025 to May 2026. Participating local authorities will benefit from expert recovery planning guidance and opportunities to collaborate with peers across Canada.

For more details and to apply directly, please visit: https://ccfrr.ca/en/events/recovery-planning-cohort/

For assistance in completing an application; contact contact Cassandra Bommersbach, Recovery and Mitigation Specialist at <u>Cassandra.Bommersbach@gov.mb.ca</u>.

Wawanesa Community Wildfire Prevention Grants

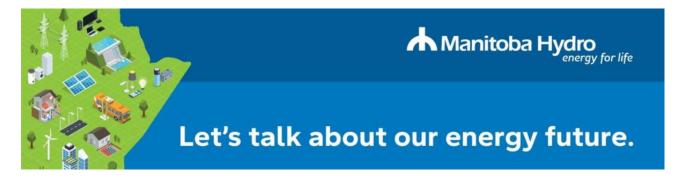


Wawanesa is offering 10 grants for a total of \$200,000 to support local community initiatives that reduce wildfire risk.

The \$20,000 grants are offered in partnership with FireSmart™ Canada and the Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction (ICLR) to help communities across Canada reduce their risk of loss from wildfire through prevention activities.

Applications are open until **December 9, 2025**. Click <u>HERE</u> to apply.

Upcoming Virtual Engagement Sessions for the Development of Manitoba Hydro's 2025 Integrated Resource Plan



There are two session times planned and each session will cover the same material. Links to register for the upcoming Round 2 sessions:

- Thursday, December 11, 2025 1:00pm-2:30pm
- Monday, December 15, 2025 9:00am-10:30pm

This is the final round of planned engagement for the 2025 IRP. These multi-party sessions will focus on sharing and seeking feedback on the road map, which includes:

• Recommended and alternative development plans outlining approximate quantities and timing of new resource options needed to meet future energy needs through 2035.

- Learnings including key insights gained from the development process.
- Near-term actions to be completed over the next five years.
- Signposts we will monitor to understand when and how the energy landscape is changing.

Efficiency Manitoba-Building Envelope Program



If high costs are preventing you from making energy-efficiency upgrades, <u>Efficiency Manitoba</u> can help. Our Building Envelope Program offers incentives for upgrading insulation, windows, and doors so your industrial, commercial, or multi-residential buildings are more energy efficient and cost-effective to operate. For projects completed before March 31, 2026, we are increasing incentives by 25% for buildings heated by electricity and 10% for buildings heated by natural gas.

Learn more or start your application online today at efficiencyMB.ca/building-envelope.

Call for Applications: Lake Winnipeg FEI Nutrient Reduction Stream 2026-27

As part of the Federal Freshwater Action Plan, Canada is taking action to manage, restore and protect freshwater, including supporting regional freshwater challenges and priorities.

The Lake Winnipeg Freshwater Ecosystem Initiative (FEI) has two funding priorities: supporting nutrient reduction and enhancing Indigenous engagement in freshwater management.

For 2026-27, there will be **two separate** funding streams and application processes:

- 1. Nutrient Reduction
- 2. Cultivating Collaboration and Indigenous-Driven Action

The Canada Water Agency is now accepting applications for the **Nutrient Reduction Stream** to support eligible partner-led projects that reduce nutrient loading to Lake Winnipeg and increase engagement on water quality protection.

The online application system will launch November 20, 2025 at 10:00 CST / 11:00 EST, and will close December 22, 2025 at 14:00 CST / 15:00 ES1.

Please consult the Nutrient Application Guide and website for further details.

Applications must be submitted using the Grants and Contributions Enterprise Management System (GCEMS) before the deadline.

Application Guide

RRC Polytech-Manitoba Building Code Training



Winter 2026

MB Building Code Training

<u>Download RRC Polytech's Course</u> <u>Registration Form</u>

For Course Information, email or call: poleksiew@rrc.ca / 204.632.3017

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Canoe: Al Webinar



Canoe Procurement Group of Canada is offering a webinar on an Introduction to Responsible use of AI in Government Operations.

CLICK HERE for more information and to register.

Tire Specials for AMM Members



The XSnoplus Fall Campaign running from September to end of December 2025 provides a

rebate of \$250 per tire on all 4 sizes of our XSnoplus Grader / Loader tire. Please note, the rebate will be applied directly to the price on the invoice (so no credits on a separate invoice). This means that instead of the Regular Invoice Price, there will be a Special Invoice Price during this time.

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Municipal Leader - Fall 2025



The Fall 2025 issue of <u>The Municipal Leader</u> features President Valentino and Minister Simard on the cover. This edition highlights the upcoming 2025 AMM Fall Convention, including details on convention proceedings, keynote speakers, and our sold-out Trade Show. As the seasons change, Manitoba continues to face the devastating effects of a historic wildfire season. This issue honours Manitoba's fire service and emergency response teams and their ongoing efforts amid unprecedented challenges. Additional features explore RCMP initiatives to strengthen border security, the importance of investing in community vibrancy, and a spotlight on one Manitoba community leading the way in sustainable, green projects.

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