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News Bulletin

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Latest Updates

AMM attends Western Canadian Municipal Association (WCMA) Meeting in Victoria, BC



The Western Canadian Municipal Association (WCMA) gathered in Victoria, BC on August 28-29, 2025, for a productive two-day meeting addressing key municipal priorities.

Discussion highlights included new strategies for **water and wastewater funding**, updates on

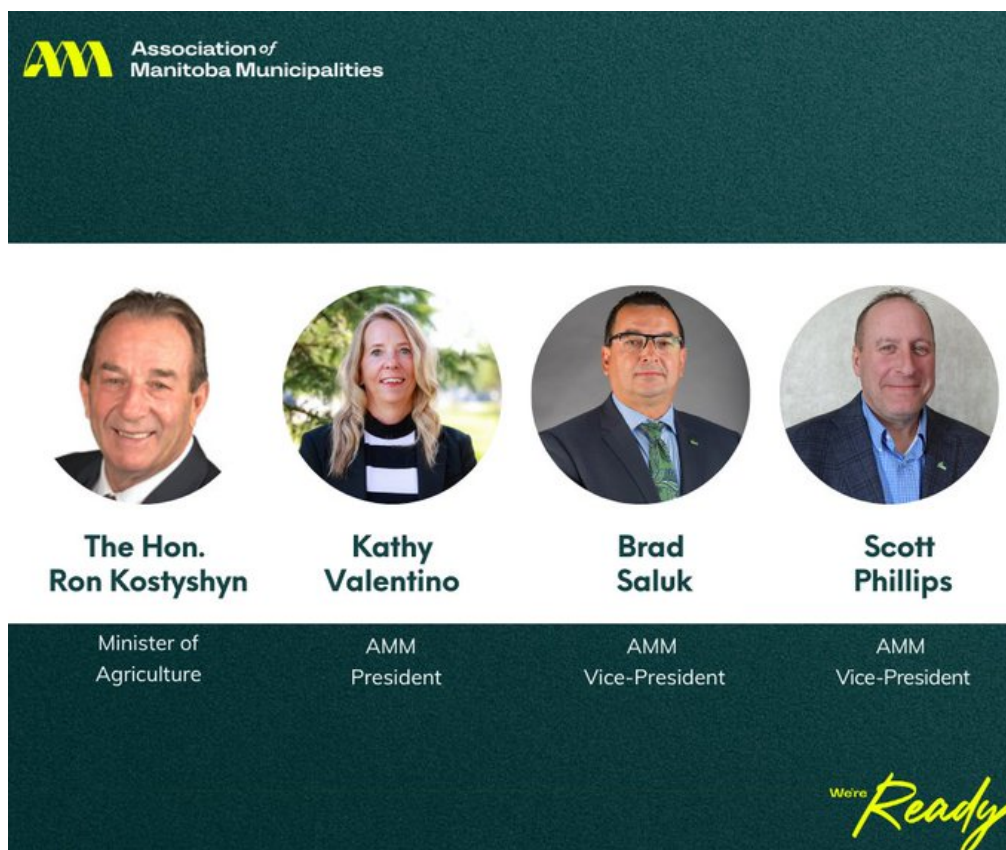
RCMP contract policing, and the importance of bail reform.

Delegates also expressed their collective solidarity responding to the extreme wildfire season as well as tackled important topics such as dealing with derelict properties, by-law prosecution, Treaty Land Entitlement, advancing local government autonomy, and national highways funding.

The meeting emphasized ongoing collaboration between municipal leaders across the West, with a focus on joint advocacy and strengthening relationships with national partners—all in pursuit of building stronger, safer, and more resilient communities.

Thank you to the dedicated members and partners whose insights shape our shared vision for Western Canada.

AMM meets with the Hon. Ron Kostyshyn, Minister of Agriculture



September 2, 2025 - AMM wishes to thank the Honourable Ron Kostyshyn, Minister of Agriculture, for meeting to discuss shared priorities and issues important to Manitoba municipalities.

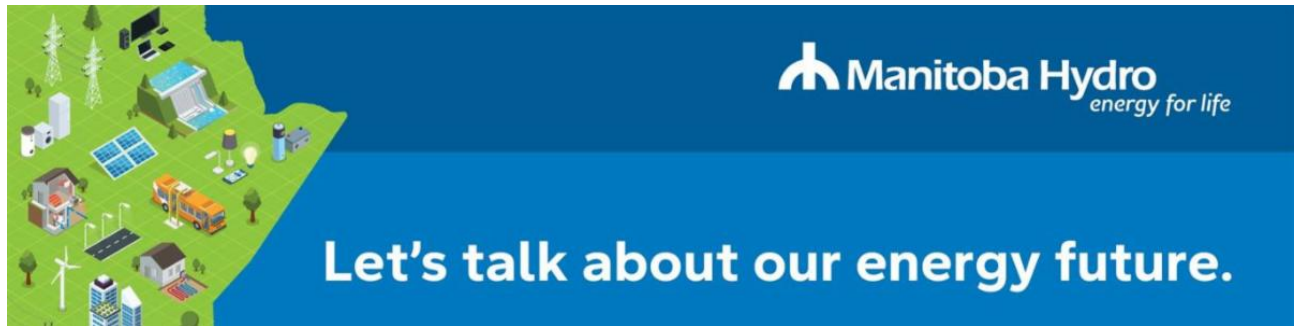
[**2025 MB Agriculture Position Paper**](#)

NEW RESOURCE - STOP Aquatic Invasive Species Brochure

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change has published a new brochure on Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS), see the link below.

[**STOP AIS Brochure 2025**](#)

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



There are three session times planned and each session will cover the same material. Below you will find the links to register for one of our upcoming Round 2 sessions:

- [September 12, 2025 from 9:00am-10:30am](#)
- [September 18, 2025 from 1:00pm-2:30pm](#)
- [September 22, 2025 from 9:00am-10:30am](#)

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

- **Draft recommended and alternative development plans, which outlines the approximate quantities and timing of new resource options needed to meet the future energy needs of our customers to 2035.**
- **Draft learnings including key insights gained from the development process.**
- **Proposed near-term actions to be completed over the next 5-years.**
- **Draft signposts we will monitor to help us understand when and how the energy landscape is changing.**

We are also hosting a second information session on Wednesday, October 1st from 9am-10:30am, where we will go into further detail about how we got to our draft recommended development plan. If you would like to attend, please hold the time in your calendars and we will provide more information and the registration link during the above sessions.

RMED Launches Community Growth Strategy Assessment Toolkit



NEW TOOLKIT ALERT!

The **Rural Manitoba Economic Development Corporation (RMED)** has developed the Community Growth Strategy Assessment (CGSA), a new toolkit that supports rural communities in understanding their current economic capacity and planning with focus and clarity.

Unlike downloadable resources, the CGSA is a structured, facilitated process conducted in partnership with local governments. It helps communities identify practical, data-informed opportunities for growth across areas such as population attraction, sector development, business retention, regional revitalization, and more.

Some communities have already completed the process with RMED's support and are now using the insights to guide funding applications, strategic planning, and investment readiness.

Learn more: [*Helping Rural Manitoba Communities Understand Where They Stand, and Where They Can Grow - RMED*](#)

FCM Collective Webinar: Explore Safe and Sustainable Railway Operations

FCM's Collective webinar series is back this fall! In partnership with CN, the first webinar on **September 16** will help community leaders to better understand the strategies, technologies and methods employed to ensure safe and sustainable railway operations in a constantly evolving industry.

The Prairies have endured an exceptionally difficult wildfire season this year. Rural communities particularly have struggled due to lack of access to necessary resources. Learn more about CN's Fire and Suppression fleet, a custom-designed in-house fleet of five trains that can deploy firefighting resources to remote and inaccessible areas.

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FCM Green Municipal Fund - Back to School Funding Opportunity



Accelerating Safe and active school routes

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MNPHA Housing Conference - October 6-7, 2025




**Building
Partnerships**

MNPHA Conference, October 6-7
Victoria Inn & Conference Centre, Winnipeg

The 13th Annual Manitoba Non-Profit Housing Association *Building Partnerships* Conference is being held at the Victoria Inn in Winnipeg from October 6-7, 2025. Two days full of panels, presentations, networking and discussions from all sides of the non-profit housing sector. Keynote speaker Carolyn Whitzman, will discuss her book *Home Truths*, written for those who want to understand and solve our housing crisis in Canada. It details the decades of policy that

got us into this housing mess and shows how all levels of government can work together to provide affordable housing where it is needed, using evidence-backed ideas from planners, politicians, developers, and advocates at home and abroad.

You'll hear from leaders in housing from across Canada sharing how they have achieved their missions of providing good affordable housing in their respective communities. Attendees will be a part of the discussions about innovations and tried-and-true solutions in Manitoba and beyond, for seniors, newcomers, and people at risk of homelessness.

Learn more and register by **September 22** at <https://mnpha.com/conference/>

Reconciliation & Indigenous Language Learning Opportunities



The [Outdoor Learning School](#), in partnership with [Natural Curiosity](#), would like to share several opportunities to support Indigenous Learning. See below for links:

- 4 Seasons of Indigenous Learning Course: <https://outdoorlearning.com/4-seasons/>
- Métis resources & learning opportunities: <https://outdoorlearning.com/metis/>
- Indigenous resources & learning opportunities: <https://outdoorlearning.com/indigenous-learning/>

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2025 Spring Convention Recap

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Dive into the latest issue of Municipal Leader, where this season's theme, "Standing Up for Canada," takes center stage. As tariff tensions continue to ripple across the country, this timely edition highlights how Manitoba and leaders are defending Canadian interests, supporting local economies, and standing strong for fair trade. From policy insights to on-the-ground stories, this issue is a powerful reminder of the importance of resilience, unity, and leadership in challenging times.

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