

RM Single Window Concept

SARM Mid-Term Convention:

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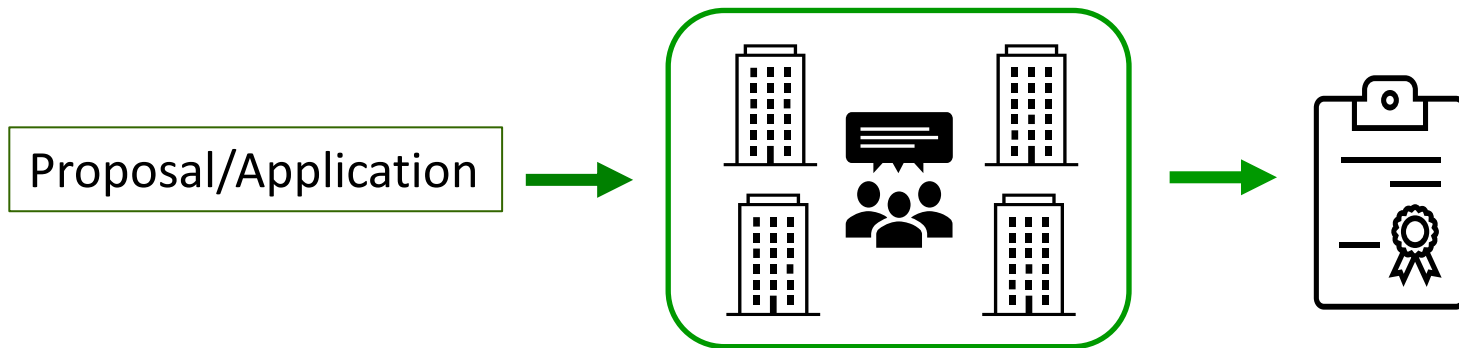
THE PLAN FOR GROWTH TO 2030:

Improving Competitiveness Across Saskatchewan's Natural Resource Sectors

"Creating a single-window application for all resource development activities requiring permitting or invoicing from municipalities. A standardized online interface will drive efficiency and reduce administrative burdens and costs for municipalities and industry."

What is a Single Window?

- A single point of entry for multiple transactions related to a line of business.



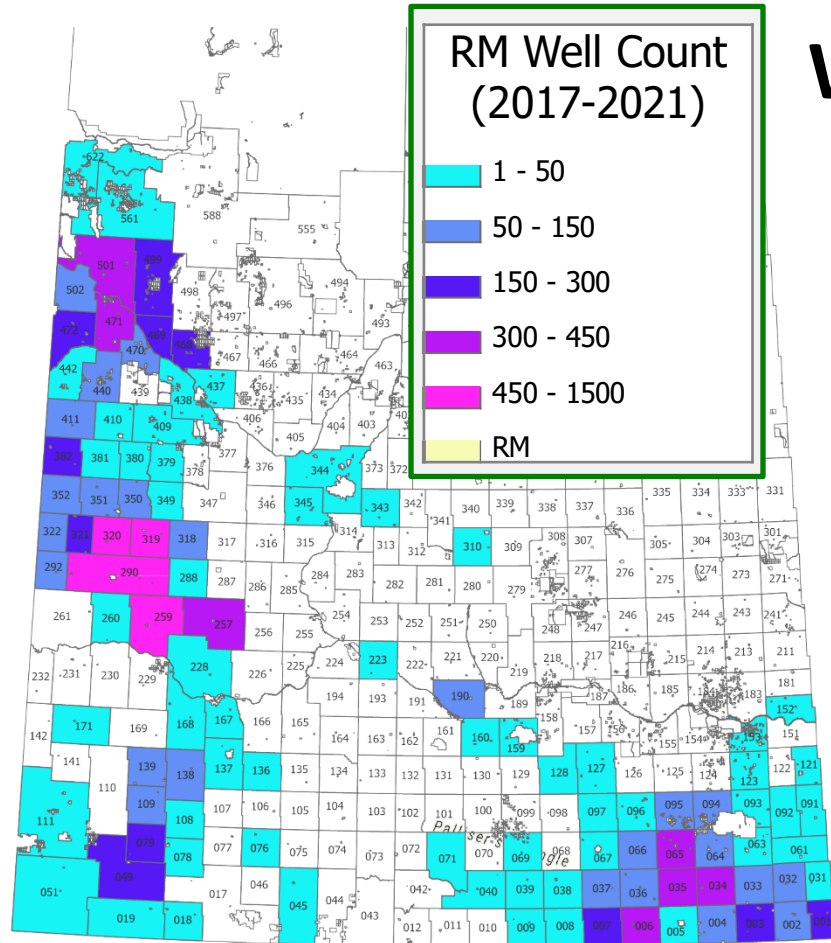
What is a Single Window for RMs in Saskatchewan?

An online platform where:

- industry can interact with multiple RMs and access all necessary permits, approvals and charges.
- RMs can manage applications, invoicing and communications with resource companies acting in their jurisdiction.

Where is the Current Focus?

- The volume of transactions related to oil and gas development in Saskatchewan make it a sector where the largest gains can be made.



Annual average from 2017 – 2021:

- Over 2000 oil and gas well licenses issued for various activities
- 40 – 50 licensees/operators
- More than 100 active RMs

Why an RM Single Window?

What has been heard:

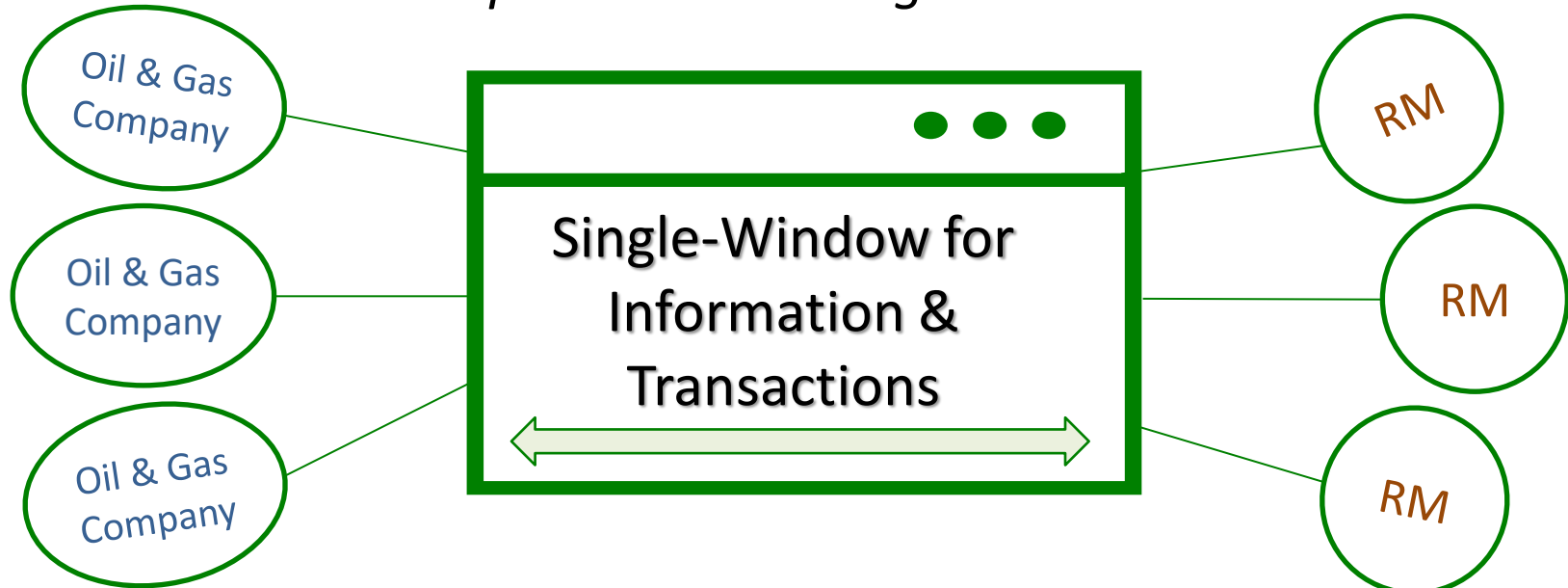
For Industry – *difficulty navigating various RM bylaws, policies and fees as well as different administrative/business structures.*

For RMs – *difficulty managing multiple companies and efficiently tracking industry activities and administrative requirements.*

- A single-window is an opportunity to improve communications and streamline business interactions for RMs and Industry.

What is the RM Single Window Concept?

A one-stop shop for RM information and transactions related to upstream oil and gas activities.



RM Single Window Project Plan

Phase 1 (Timeline 2022 & 2023)

Stakeholder engagement and developing the RM Single Window Concept.

*Potential Phase 2 (Timeline TBD)

Development and implementation of IT infrastructure.

** Commitment and direction for phase 2 will be dependent on the outcomes of phase 1*

Where do we Start?

- Phase 1 objective will be to build a more detailed RM Single Window concept:
 - Understanding the current state of interactions between RMs and oil and gas industry
 - Establishing key functionalities that will provide value for both RMs and industry
 - Determining feasibility of potential pathways to develop and implement an RM Single Window

What Progress has been made?

- ✓ Steering Committee formed in January of 2022.

RM Single Window Steering Committee:

- Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities
- Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers
- Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
- Ministry of Government Relations

- ✓ Steering Committee developed a Request for Service to hire a third-party consulting firm to lead a large-scale stakeholder engagement and a study.
- ✓ Holterman Waller Strategy has been identified as the successful firm and work is underway to contract their services.

Engagement with RMs and Industry

What to expect?

- Engagement to include SARM, councilors & administrators (approx. 100 RMs), RMAA, various oil and gas industry associations, and individual oil and gas companies.
- Facilitated meetings with small groups of RMs either in-person or online.
- Surveys or other written material requesting feedback.
- Larger group meeting possibly including both industry and RMs and coordinated around SARM convention.

What not to expect?

- Discussions of municipal autonomy or property tax Policy.

What to Expect & When

What	When
Email invitation to impacted RMs for first round of engagement	Late November
Small group in-person and virtual sessions	December & January
Survey issued and open for Feedback	January
Second round of engagement through small group sessions with impacted RMs	Late February & March
Joint RM and Industry engagement session at SARM Convention	March 13 – 16 (TBD)
Follow up engagement and summary findings	April – May

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