

# The weekly **Policy Bulletin**



May 2, 2023

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## Reminders

### FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Feedback Survey



If you work in *any part* of the infrastructure lifecycle at a municipality you have knowledge that can impact how GMF programs are designed. Your experience and expertise will help identify where support is most critical, regional specificities, and key decision-gates for infrastructure projects. You will also inform how GMF builds equity and climate considerations into its programs.

Complete this 20-minute survey by **May 8, 2023**.

FCM thanks you in advance for completing the survey and stay tuned to **FCM Connect** where GMF will share what it has learned from all the respondents.

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### ***The Trip Inspection Regulations Review***

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The purpose of the ongoing review is to ensure *The Railway Act*, guidelines and standards align with federal railway rules and requirements, are modernized to reflect the economic landscape of Saskatchewan, minimize red tape, and most importantly maintain and promote safe railway operations.

As part of this review process, there was a need identified to provide greater clarity on the scope of railway expansion projects that do not require formal approval under the Act.

Attached for your review is an updated version of our existing *Application to Construct, Acquire or Alter a Railway - PRG1001*

The primary change to the guideline includes the following criteria to better define small scale railway alteration projects that don't pose a substantial change the nature of the railway operation:

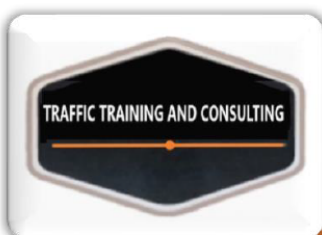
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5. Does not require the acquisition of additional land; and
6. Is not intended for the storage, loading, or transportation of dangerous goods.

If you have any questions about this amended guideline or would like to provide feedback, please contact us by email at [rail.services@gov.sk.ca](mailto:rail.services@gov.sk.ca) before **May 30, 2023**.

For reference the guidelines and standards can be [found here](#).

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## Traffic Training and Consulting (TTAC)

Since 2018

TTAC has one of the most experienced instructors in the province - one with more than just field experience!

### Traffic Training and Consulting

Wade Hoffman created formed Traffic Training and Consulting (TTAC) an answer to the demand from numerous road building contractors for him to return to teaching the course. Wade involved the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure right from the start to ensure that the course content was current and accurate. Wade is committed to delivering the highest caliber of Work Zone training.

A couple of highlights are:

- Fundamentals of Work Zones
- Introduction to the related Legislation
- Traffic Plan exercises
- High level perusal of the manual including discussion on traffic control devices
- Detailed list of the Traffic Accommodation Supervisor's duties

Wade sees this training as relevant to anyone involved in road construction, whether they work on a provincial highway, a municipal road or for a Crown corporation; anywhere "where employees are at risk from vehicular traffic" Reg 9-22.

Any heavy construction company working on a provincial highway must have a TAS (Traffic Accommodation Supervisor) on the work site and that person must have a current training certificate from a vendor approved by the Ministry of Highways. It is a condition of their contract with the ministry.

Those working on municipal roads don't have that same "TAS" requirement, but still need to meet the legal requirements for employee training. Hoffman offers a similar but shorter program developed for their needs.

To find out about registering for Hoffman's training either the flagging course or the work zone course he can be contacted by phone at (306) 537-9648 or by email at [\*\*wadehoffman.ttac@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:wadehoffman.ttac@gmail.com).

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**Feedback**

# We want to hear from you!

## Development of an environmental code chapter for compost facilities .

During previous public engagement, the Ministry of Environment heard support for the development of a Saskatchewan Environmental Code chapter for compost facilities.

The ministry is recommending the development of an environmental code chapter for compost facilities to provide more detail regarding their construction, operation and closure. We want to understand how these proposed changes may impact you and/or your community.

The ministry will be engaging on the proposed code chapter in May and June 2023.

The ministry will be reaching out soon via email to invite you to:

- Review the draft code and summary of proposed changes.
- Discuss the proposed code at one of two engagement sessions hosted virtually by the ministry in May 2023.
- Fill out the code chapter summary survey by June 30, 2023.
- Provide feedback to [waste.management@gov.sk.ca](mailto:waste.management@gov.sk.ca) by June 30, 2023.

### Need more info?

Visit [saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/solid-waste-management-facilities/composting-facilities](https://saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/solid-waste-management-facilities/composting-facilities)

*We look forward to working with you.*

[saskatchewan.ca/recycling](https://saskatchewan.ca/recycling)

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## Information

### May 1-6 is Safety and Health Week

The Government of Saskatchewan has officially proclaimed May 1-6 as Safety and Health Week in Saskatchewan.

Safety and Health Week, previously known as North American Occupational Safety and Health Week, began in 1997. This year's theme is together we can create safe workplaces and communities.

The week is observed annually in Canada, the United States and Mexico. The goal is to unite and focus on the importance of preventing injury and illness in the workplace, at home and in the community.

Visit the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety's Safety and Health Week [website](#) for more information and tools and resources for safety and health in the workplace.

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### Saskatchewan's Commitment to Seniors Continues in 2023-24

The Government of Saskatchewan continues its focus on improving the health and well-being of seniors.

Seniors Minister Everett Hindley will meet



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Wednesday with counterparts at the Federal/Provincial/Territorial (FPT) Ministers Responsible for Seniors Forum in Toronto to discuss issues related to seniors and ways they can be supported.

Saskatchewan's provincial budget introduced last month provides a \$39 million increase for initiatives to help seniors age within their communities and provide the supports they need.

Enhanced benefits for seniors include increasing the Personal Care Home Benefit through the Ministry of Social Services by up to \$400 per month, for a new maximum of up to \$2,400 per month. The Seniors Income Plan, also through the Ministry of Social Services, will increase by \$30 per month, fulfilling the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to increasing the Seniors Income Plan over three years to the new maximum of up to \$360 per month.

The FPT Seniors Forum is an intergovernmental body established to share information, discuss new and emerging issues related to seniors, and work collaboratively on key projects. All provinces and territories and the federal government participate in the forum.

For further information, visit [\*\*FPT Seniors Forum\*\*](#).

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## **Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan Invest in Food Industry Development Centre**

The Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan announced \$250,000 in funding today as part of a \$1.7 million project to increase co-packing capacity at the Saskatchewan Food Industry Development Centre in Saskatoon.

The co-packing project is comprised of a combination of new capital, in-kind and cash contributions from sources that include Prairie Economic Development Canada and industry stakeholders.

The investment will enable the Food Centre - through the purchase of specialized canning, bottling and packaging equipment - to provide early-stage product and market development services needed to support clients from the meat, plant protein, ingredients, fruit and vegetable processing sectors. Improved access to this kind of small batch in-house co-packing capacity will facilitate future growth for these emerging sectors in Saskatchewan's processing industry.

The \$250,000 in funding was provided through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership which preceded the current Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP).

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## **Be Mindful of Hantavirus While Cleaning this Spring**

Saskatchewan residents are being reminded to take precautions against hantavirus as they start spring cleanup of enclosed buildings or vehicles.

Hantavirus infection is caused by breathing in contaminated airborne particles from the droppings, urine and saliva of infected deer mice. It can cause a rare, but potentially fatal lung disease known as hantavirus pulmonary syndrome.



Symptoms usually start within one to six weeks of exposure. They include fever, muscle aches, cough, headaches, nausea and vomiting.

Some people develop severe symptoms that can be life threatening. Seek medical attention immediately if you have a cough, fever and shortness of breath.

Take the following precautions when cleaning rodent infested areas:

- ventilate the building by opening doors and windows, and then leave the area for at least 30 minutes before cleaning;
- avoid using dry cleaning methods such as dusting, sweeping, vacuuming or air-hosing;
- use wet mopping methods and wear rubber or plastic gloves;
- wear goggles and a well-fitting N-95 type filter mask when cleaning areas contaminated by droppings;
- dampen areas contaminated with rodent droppings with bleach disinfectant and remove droppings with a damp mop or cloth;
- steam clean, shampoo or spray upholstered furniture with a detergent, disinfectant or a mixture of bleach and water; and
- wash exposed clothes and bedding with detergent in hot water.

Prevention is also recommended to reduce rodent infestations:

- block openings that might allow rodents to enter a building;
- store human and animal food, water and garbage in pest-proof/resistant containers with tightly-fitted lids; and
- move woodpiles or other potential hiding places for mice away from your home.

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## **Government of Saskatchewan Cancels SaskEnergy Rate Increase Application**

The Government of Saskatchewan has directed the Saskatchewan Rate Review Panel (SRRP) to cancel the rate application submitted by SaskEnergy for delivery rate increases of 5.0 per cent on July 1 of 2023 and 2024.

Saskatchewan has some of the most affordable utility rates in Canada, largely due to having the lowest auto insurance rates and natural gas commodity costs. Total utility costs for 2022-23 and 2023-24 are expected to be the second lowest among all provinces.

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## Big Game Draw Opens May 1

Saskatchewan residents interested in hunting elk, moose, pronghorn or mule deer in the province can apply for the Big Game Draw beginning May 1.

Applications must be submitted online through the Saskatchewan Hunting, Angling and Trapping Licence (HAL) system by 4 p.m. on May 25. Please note, late applications will not be accepted.



Draw results will be available through HAL accounts in June, except for pronghorn, which will be available in mid-July. Big Game Draw applicants will be notified by email about their draw results, but hunters are ultimately responsible for checking their results online.

Successful applicants will be able to purchase licences through their HAL accounts beginning August 1.

For information on HAL accounts or assistance with completing a draw application, please visit [saskatchewanhal.ca](https://saskatchewanhal.ca) or call 1-888-773-8450.

For questions about hunting in Saskatchewan, contact the Ministry of Environment's Inquiry Centre at 1-800-567-4224 or [centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:centre.inquiry@gov.sk.ca).

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### College of Medicine Sees Best in Canada Success with National Residency Selection Results

The Canadian Resident Matching Service (CaRMS) has released the final match results of the process to fill medical residency seats across the country, including throughout Saskatchewan.

Saskatchewan is the only jurisdiction in Canada to have all family medicine seats filled in the first round of the match this year.

On average, nearly 80 per cent of family medicine residents who train in Saskatchewan stay and practice in the province once their residency is complete.

Since 2007, the number of residency seats has more than doubled from 60 to 128. This

All Canadian medical students expecting to graduate in the spring, as well as medical graduates who are internationally-trained, apply through CaRMS in hopes of securing a post-graduate training spot.

The first round of residency placement provides opportunities for both Canadian medical graduates, as well as international medical graduates (IMGs) in streams set up in some key programs, including family medicine. The second iteration is open to all medical graduates to fill any seats remaining from the first round. IMGs may include Saskatchewan or Canadian students who study abroad, or foreign-trained residents who graduate from medical school outside of Canada or the United States but are interested in practicing medicine in Canada.

includes four family medicine residency seats in the Southwest area of the province and four specialist residency seats which were added in 2022-23. All of the 128 medical residency seats posted in Saskatchewan this year have been filled. Of these seats, 54 were filled by medical students graduating from the University of Saskatchewan's College of Medicine.

Saskatchewan has seen significant success in matching IMGs through increased opportunities in the match. In total, 43 IMGs have been matched to residency positions within Saskatchewan.

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## E-Scooter Regulations

The Government of Saskatchewan has approved regulations to allow e-scooter use in Saskatchewan, subject to municipal bylaw. *The Limited Speed Motor Vehicle Regulations, 2022* regulations are now in effect and govern the operation of and requirements for motorized vehicles with a maximum speed capacity of less than 32 km/h. The new Class LSMV (limited speed motor vehicles) focuses on electric kick scooters (e-scooters).

### E-scooter provincial regulations

The new provincial e-scooter regulations are safety focused and:

- Ensure e-scooter operation complies with other applicable bylaws or regulations
- Requires an approved helmet (motorcycle or bicycle)
- Requires the driver to be at least 16 years of age
- Sets the maximum speed for e-scooters at 24 km/h
- Prohibits carrying passengers or towing anyone or anything behind the e-scooter
- Restricts use to roads with a posted speed of 50 km/h or lower
- Sets e-scooter equipment standards

E-scooters can't be registered and because of this, can't be insured as a motor vehicle. E-scooter drivers don't require a driver's licence to operate the device, but again they **must comply** with municipal bylaws and meet the provincial e-scooter regulations.

### E-scooter Municipal Bylaws

Municipal bylaws must be in place before e-scooters can be operated in a municipality, otherwise driving an e-scooter is illegal. SGI encourages municipalities to reference the attached guidelines as you create bylaws to allow e-scooters and authorize where and when they can be used.

### Awareness and Education

If municipalities decide to implement bylaws, it's important to focus on overall safety in the community, along with traffic safety awareness and education. This is needed to ensure all road users (e-scooter users and drivers sharing the roads with e-scooters) know the laws and how to properly share the road.

The municipal guidelines also provide resources from other jurisdictions on awareness and education. You can find more general information on e-scooter safety here:

***Recreational vehicles - SGI.***

[View Municipal Guidelines](#)



# Resources



*The following RM's have requested the information below to be distributed and will be billed for using this service.*

## Looking to Hire:

**RM of Orkney No. 244**, Equipment Operator, MAY 18 - Close  
**RM of Fertile Belt No. 183**, Full-Time Supervisory Position, MAY 25 - Close  
**RM of Nipawin No. 487**, Municipal Administrator, MAY 25 - Close  
**RM of Glen McPherson No. 46**, Temporary Seasonal Grader Operator, MAY 11 - Close  
**RM of Mankota No. 45 & RM of Glen McPherson No. 46**, Temporary Administrative Assistant, MAY 22 - Close  
**RM of Blaine Lake No. 434**, Seasonal Grader Operator, MAY 22 - Close  
**Village of Pelly**, Administrator, MAY 19 - Close  
**RM of Aberdeen No. 373**, Seasonal Full-Time Equipment Operator, MAY 14 - Close  
**RM of Montmartre No. 126**, Seasonal Full-Time Equipment Operator, MAY 10 - Close  
**RM of Wawken No. 93**, Tractor and Mower Operator, MAY 5 - Close  
**RM of Dufferin No. 190**, Full-Time Grader Operator, MAY 2 - Close  
**RM of Dundurn No. 314**, Superintendent of Public Works, MAY 2 - Close  
**RM of Perdue No. 346**, Administrator, MAY 10 - Close

## Looking to Buy/Sell:

**RM of Lipton No. 217**, For Sale by Tender: Used Schulte XH1500 Series 4 Mower - May 27 - Close  
**SARM**, For Sale by Tender: SARM Used Photocopiers, MAY 26 - Close  
**RM of Biggar No. 347**, For Sale by Tender: 2011 John Deere 7230, MAY 25 - Close  
**RM of Invergordon No. 430**, For Sale: 2020 Capital I Grader Reclaimer, MAY 25 - Close  
**RM of Tecumseh No. 65**, Looking to Buy: Used Brillion Sure Stand Seeder, MAY 22 - Close  
**RM of McLeod No. 185**, For Sale: 1980 John Deer 4440, MAY 16 - Close  
**RM of McLeod No. 185**, For Sale: 1980 John Deer 4240, MAY 16 - Close  
**RM of Willner No. 253**, For Sale by Tender: 2017 Highline Mower, MAY 11 - Close  
**RM of Victory No. 226**, For Sale: 2007 140H CAT Grader with Ripper/Scarifier, MAY 14 - Close  
**RM of McLeod No. 185**, For Sale: 2015 Cat 140 M Grader, MAY 13 - Close  
**RM of Mount Hope No. 279**, For Sale by Tender: Various Pieces of Equipment, MAY 12 - Close  
**RM of Rocanville No. 151**, For Sale by Tender: Snow Plow A Frames with Conversion Blocks, MAY 10 - Close  
**RM of Rocanville No. 151**, For Sale by Tender: Highline Mower with attached Sidearm and Joystick, MAY 10 - Close  
**RM of Rocanville No. 151**, For Sale by Tender: 2010 Degelman Mower Rev 1500 with Degelman 1820 Sidearm, MAY 10 - Close  
**RM of Rocanville No. 151**, For Sale by Tender: One-way Plow, MAY 10 - Close  
**RM of Rocanville No. 151**, For Sale by Tender: One-way Mow Board, MAY 10 - Close



## Saskatchewan Safety Council: Workplace Training

The Saskatchewan Safety Council is offering a variety of training opportunities that were built by residents and are supported by donations, membership, and sponsors.

When completed as a series through participation in Career Safety Education (CSE), these programs nurture an understanding of injury prevention theories that will result in fewer injuries in workplaces, during recreational activities, in and around homes, and on Saskatchewan roads.

To complete Career Safety Education, users systematically complete four foundation building safety courses. The completion of one unlocks the next in our learning management system. Upon completion of the initial four programs, the remaining industry courses become available.

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## Feedback

### Consultation: Review of Draft Environmental Code Chapter for Compost Facilities

In 2020, the Ministry of Environment released the Solid Waste Management Strategy with a goal of modernizing regulations, including a commitment to develop a compost facility chapter for inclusion in the Saskatchewan Environmental Code. The ministry is now seeking your feedback on the proposed draft compost facility chapter.

In 2022, the ministry worked with a focus group to develop the draft chapter. The proposed chapter will govern compost facility siting, design, operation and closure pursuant to *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010*.

The compost facility chapter will establish an efficient application system for Saskatchewan that will minimize administrative burden for owners and operators. The draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter, a Discussion Paper, and engagement details can be [found here](#).

#### Engagement on the draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter:

Your feedback is important to the ministry, and they welcome any input on the proposed compost facilities chapter. There are a variety of ways that you may engage with the ministry:

- Submit written comments on the draft compost facilities chapter to [waste.management@gov.sk.ca](mailto:waste.management@gov.sk.ca) no later than June 30, 2023.
- Complete the code chapter [summary survey](#) by June 30, 2023.
- Register for an engagement session below by clicking on the link:
  - **Thursday, May 11, 2023 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm**
  - **Monday, May 29, 2023 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am**

The ministry will review the responses and report back on what they heard. This report will be emailed to stakeholders and posted on the Government of Saskatchewan

website once complete.

For questions about this public engagement, please contact [amy.richter@gov.sk.ca](mailto:amy.richter@gov.sk.ca) (306-787-0783) or [pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca) (306-787-6171).

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## Consultation: ECCC Proposed Regulatory Framework on Reducing Canada's Landfill Methane Emissions

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) is seeking feedback on a **Proposed Regulatory Framework** that outlines the key requirements under consideration for new federal regulations to reduce methane emissions from Canadian landfills. Information on previous engagement and consultation on the development of these regulations can be accessed at this [webpage](#).

In addition to the Proposed Regulatory Framework, ECCC is distributing a Technical Guidance Document on Estimating, Measuring and Monitoring Landfill Methane and an accompanying Landfill Methane Modelling Tool. These documents are referenced in the Proposed Regulatory Framework and provide additional context on the methods that will support implementation of the new regulations. These resources can be requested via e-mail or accessed at the following link: [Technical Guidance Document](#).

The next phase of consultation is the publication of the proposed regulations in *Canada Gazette*, Part I which is anticipated in early 2024 for a 60-day public comment period. The final regulations are expected to be published in *Canada Gazette*, Part II in late 2024.

You can send your comments on the Proposed Regulatory Framework to [ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca](mailto:ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca). Please submit your feedback by **May 19, 2023**.

If you have any questions or comments, contact ECCC at: [ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca](mailto:ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca).

## Information

### Sask. Officials Believe Potential for Wildfires Could be Above Average this Year

The provincial agency responsible for monitoring emergencies across Saskatchewan is asking the public to be careful when starting fires this season.

On Monday, the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) said it expects weather in the province will be warmer than average, creating an average to above-average fire season.

As of Monday, the province had 13 active fires burning across the province. Only one was considered uncontained, and many of them were less than two hectares in size.



Anyone starting a controlled burn in fields or brush piles is asked to check the SPSA website for advice and information on any fire bans in their area.

## Phase Two Begins for Addictions Treatment Spaces Expansion

[On May 3, 2023], Mental Health and Addictions Minister Everett Hindley announced twelve more post-treatment beds will be opening at St. Joseph's Addiction Recovery Centre in Estevan.

The new beds are part of Phase Two of the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to add 150 spaces to increase access to treatment and recovery services for people suffering from addictions.

The 12 new spaces are in addition to the 14 post-treatment beds at St. Joseph's that became operational at the end of March. With this addition, St. Joseph's now operates a total of 32 post-treatment beds, in addition to their 32 inpatient beds, and four pre-treatment beds.

These new spaces further the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to add at least 150 more addictions treatment spaces to expand capacity beyond what is already available in the system. Negotiations are underway with other successful proponents from the RFP, and additional addictions treatment spaces will be announced in the coming months.

With the addition of these new spaces, Saskatchewan is funding 547 pre-treatment, withdrawal management/detoxification, treatment, and post-treatment spaces across the province operated by the SHA and third-party partners.

[More Information](#)

## SPSA Invests in Water Bomber to Help Fight Wildfires

A new water-scooping air tanker has arrived in Saskatchewan, just in time for wildfire season.

The Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) has invested in a CL-215T air tanker to provide a stronger wildfire response in the province. The CL-215T will replace

The new aircraft was purchased and refurbished by De Havilland Aircraft of Canada.

The CL-215T can reach speeds of approximately 329 KPH and collect 1,200 gallons of water for an open water source in about 10 seconds.

The SPSA is a Treasury Board Crown that provides public safety services including fire safety training, investigation, emergency planning, response, recovery and emergency



the obsolete CL-215 in the SPSA's aerial wildfire suppression fleet.

The new tanker will join a fleet of air tankers and bird-dog planes as part of its wildfire and grassfire fire response program.

communications. The Agency operates Sask911, SaskAlert and the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre.

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## CEO Hired for Saskatchewan Healthcare Recruitment Agency

The Government of Saskatchewan is announcing today the selection of Erin Brady as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Saskatchewan Healthcare Recruitment Agency (SHRA). She will take on the role of CEO starting May 23, 2023. Erin has extensive experience working in the health sector, including Saskatchewan Health Quality Council and saskdocs.

The SHRA was established in 2022 as an independent Treasury Board Crown Corporation. The SHRA is responsible for recruiting doctors, nurses and other priority health care professionals from within Saskatchewan, across North America and overseas.

Work already underway as part of the Government of Saskatchewan's four-point Health Human Resources Action Plan will be accelerated and enhanced by the work of the SHRA. Recent successes related to the HHR Action plan include the recruitment of 69 family physicians and 102 specialists to Saskatchewan from outside the province for a total of 171 physicians in the last 19 months. Saskatchewan also continues to see great success with the recruitment of nurses, having hired 186 graduate nurses since December 2022.

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## Government of Saskatchewan Celebrates Economic Development Week

The Government of Saskatchewan proclaims May 8 to 12 as Economic Development Week in the province, celebrating the significant contributions business and industry make to Saskatchewan's economy.

Economic Development Week is recognized to highlight the value of economic

development in the province and the role it plays in Saskatchewan's growth.

Communities and businesses generate economic growth, create better jobs for residents, and improve the quality of life in Saskatchewan. It takes a strategic approach and team effort to capitalize on economic opportunities. Economic Development Week is an opportunity to highlight the efforts, shared vision and commitment in the important field of economic development.

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## Pillars for Life: The Saskatchewan Suicide Prevention Plan

### Suicide Prevention Plan Marks Three-Year Anniversary with Progress

The Government of Saskatchewan is providing an update on suicide prevention initiatives as part of the three-year anniversary of *Pillars for Life: The Saskatchewan Suicide Prevention Plan*.

Released May 8, 2020, *Pillars for Life* serves as a guide to coordinate activities to promote life and reduce risk factors related to suicide.

Key actions during Year Three have included:

- Funding the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan to deliver a **provincial safe medication disposal program** to reduce the risk of suicide from unused or expired prescription drugs.
- Provided funding to the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN) for a **youth mental wellness camp** and for peer supports and training for Indigenous youth regarding mental health and suicide prevention.
- Continued implementation of **Roots of Hope** programs in three communities: La Ronge, Meadow Lake and Buffalo Narrows. These community-led suicide

- prevention initiatives rely on the experience of local community leaders to develop culturally appropriate initiatives.
- Ongoing work to address the **Provincial Auditor's recommendations** regarding treating patients at high risk of suicide in the northwest.
  - Continued support for a **suicide prevention public awareness campaign** to inform individuals that help is available for people thinking of, or affected by, suicide.
  - Coordinated **media training** through the Mental Health Commission of Canada and the Canadian Journalism Forum on Violence and Trauma. Training highlights sensitive and responsible reporting on mental health and suicide.
  - Support for the University of Saskatchewan's **post-secondary suicide prevention framework**, which launched in September 2022, and can be replicated in other post-secondary institutions.

*Pillars for Life: The Saskatchewan Suicide Prevention Plan* is posted at [saskatchewan.ca/pillars-for-life](https://saskatchewan.ca/pillars-for-life) along with information about resources available on suicide prevention and mental health.

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## Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week 2023

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Awareness Week will be recognized in Saskatchewan from May 8 to 12. This is an opportunity to provide education on the potential harm caused by introducing non-native plants, fish and invertebrates into our waterbodies.

During the week, the Ministry of Environment will launch its annual Clean, Drain and Dry campaign and kick off its watercraft inspection and waterbody monitoring programs. These programs are a critical part of helping to protect the province's aquatic ecosystems from invasive species.

Sightings of aquatic invasive species on watercraft or in and around Saskatchewan waterbodies should be reported immediately to the Saskatchewan Turn in Poachers and Polluters (TIPP) line at 1-800-667-7561, or text #5555 from your SaskTel cellphone.

More information on how to properly clean, drain and dry your equipment and prevent the spread of AIS can be found at [saskatchewan.ca/invasive-species](https://saskatchewan.ca/invasive-species).

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## Saskatchewan Celebrates National Nursing Week, May 8-14

On **National Nursing Week**, the Government of Saskatchewan recognizes the unwavering dedication and commitment of nearly 18,000 nurses working across the province on the front lines of health care.

The theme this year for National Nursing Week is *Our Nurses. Our Future*. Building capacity within the health care system and strengthening the current and future health care workforce are top priorities for the Government of Saskatchewan. Saskatchewan's Health Human Resources (HHR) Action Plan continues to see positive results, including for nurses.

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### Saskatchewan Developing New Family Physician Compensation Model

The Government of Saskatchewan is announcing plans to develop a new made-in-Saskatchewan family physician payment model

The Government of Saskatchewan has heard concerns raised by the Saskatchewan Medical Association that an alternative to fee-for-service is needed. This new model will support ongoing recruitment and retention efforts in family medicine. Recent successes include the recruitment of 72 family physicians and 106



based on blended capitation. Blended capitation is considered “blended” because it offers two streams of remuneration to family physicians:

- A base payment for a standard basket of services is provided for each patient rostered (i.e. a per capita payment), and the amount is adjusted by the age, gender and complexity of each patient; and
- Additional fee-for-service payments are available to physicians for the extra services provided outside of the defined basket of services.

This will offer an alternative to the traditional fee-for-service model in which a family physician’s payment depends solely on the quantity of services provided.

specialists to Saskatchewan from outside the province for a total of 178 physicians in the last 20 months.

This new model was recommended by a collaborative working group formed between the Saskatchewan Medical Association (SMA), Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) and the Ministry of Health. The new payment model will take time to design through further group effort. In the meantime, the ministry intends to work closely with the SMA to design transitional measures that build capacity for physicians to eventually adopt blended capitation.

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## Saskatchewan Has the Potential to Lead in Helium Liquefaction

A new report looking at the feasibility of developing a commercial-scale helium liquefier in Saskatchewan has found that it could open broader helium markets, create jobs, and provide a positive financial return for owners.

The report, Helium Liquefaction in Saskatchewan, looked at the economics of several scenarios for the construction and operation of a liquefier in Saskatchewan. All scenarios showed a positive return on investment over the life of the project, based on the current supply and estimated price of helium. The report was done by the Saskatchewan Research Council.

Helium is a gas that is typically turned into a liquid for cost-effective shipping. Six truckloads of helium in gas form equal one truckload of liquid helium. Currently, Saskatchewan helium is sent to Colorado to be liquified. The ability to liquefy helium in Saskatchewan would further facilitate opportunities for producers in the overseas markets.

This report supports commitments in the Government of Saskatchewan's Helium Action Plan: From Exploration to Exports, to contribute to the goal of Saskatchewan producing 10 per cent of the world's helium supply by 2030.

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**RM of McLeod No. 185**, For Sale: 2015 Cat 140 M Grader, MAY 13 - Close  
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## MySaskHealthRecord Mobile App Now Available

The MySaskHealthRecord mobile app has the same functionality as the web-based version of the tool. It allows users to see laboratory test results, medical imaging reports, immunization history, prescription history, and clinical visit history. It also offers users the ability to add their own information to track and generate reports, set medication and appointment reminders, and share information with other MySaskHealthRecord users.



The mobile app works on mobile phones running Apple operating system 14 and newer or Android operating system 11 or newer. Find it in the Apple or Google Play app stores.

Citizens must have a MySaskHealthRecord account to use the mobile app. Start by creating an account online. Go to [eHealthSask.ca/MySaskHealthRecord](https://eHealthSask.ca/MySaskHealthRecord), select "Register for an account" and follow the steps.

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## Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan Provide Funding for Pest Biosecurity Program

The Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan have announced \$19.5 million for an enhanced Pest Biosecurity Program through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership.

The five-year Pest Biosecurity Program will be delivered by the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM). Funding is available to rural municipalities and First Nations to provide resources to help deal with invasive agricultural crop pests, prohibited and noxious weeds, nuisance gophers, rats and nuisance beavers.

This program supports education and training to manage agriculture crop pests through the Plant Health

A new Gopher Control Program is part of the Pest Biosecurity Program to help address a significant problem for producers in the province. The program will help control nuisance gopher populations through a rebate for registered control products and for the purchase of materials to build a raptor platform as sustainable integrated pest management.

Those interested in the program can learn more information on the [SARM website](#), or on the Government of Saskatchewan website at [saskatchewan.ca/s-cap](https://saskatchewan.ca/s-cap).

The Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership is a five-year, \$3.5 billion investment by Canada's federal, provincial and territorial governments that supports Canada's agri-food and agri-products sectors. This includes \$1.0 billion in federal programs and activities and a \$2.5 billion commitment that is cost-shared 60 per cent federally and 40 per cent

Network. SARM employs a full-time plant health technical advisor in each of its six divisions who will promote and implement best practices within their division to identify, monitor and assist in the control of invasive and emerging threats to plant biosecurity in agriculture. The plant health technical advisors will be able to help applicants access the Pest Biosecurity Program.

provincially/territorially for programs that are designed and delivered by provinces and territories.

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This year's investment will build on the work already completed elsewhere in the province and carry on mapping and hazard identification for additional communities including:

- Moose Jaw
- Saskatoon
- Regina
- Weyburn
- Tisdale
- Melfort

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## Water Security Agency Investing in Improving Flood Hazard Mapping

The Water Security Agency (WSA) is continuing to enhance and improve water management for the province with a key investment in the Flood Hazard Identification Mapping Program.

As part of WSA's 2023-24 budget, over \$2 million is being invested to support flood mapping efforts throughout the province of Saskatchewan.

WSA will be working with communities that have been identified as being at risk for possible flood damage. The program will carry out mapping and other technical work to identify where risks are, which will lead to a better understanding of the mitigation and protection work required to keep people and communities safe.

## 2022 Cleanfarms Annual Report

**Cleanfarms** has posted its **2022 annual report**, showcasing the expansion of on-the-ground programs that Canadian farmers can use to manage waste agricultural plastic products and packaging for recycling or safe disposal when they are no longer needed.

In the 2022 annual report, Cleanfarms highlighted the collection of agricultural materials since the inception of the programs for each (rounded):

- Plastic pesticide and fertilizer containers 23L and smaller - 149 million units
- Non-refillable bulk pesticide and fertilizer drums and totes – 392,000 units
- Seed and pesticide bags – 3,000 tonnes

- Unwanted old pesticides – 4,200 tonnes
- Old, obsolete livestock/equine medications – 67.3 tonnes
- Grain bags, agricultural film and baler twine plastic – 12,700 tonnes
- Maple Sap Tubing (in Quebec only) – 342 tonnes



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## Tick Surveillance in Saskatchewan

### Passive surveillance

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As of April 1 2020, we are switching to **eTick** to manage passive tick surveillance in Saskatchewan

### Surveillance using eTick

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- Please keep your tick in case we ask you to submit it by mail. You can euthanize the tick by placing it in the freezer for 24 hours.
- As part of the submission process, give relevant information such as where in Saskatchewan you encountered the tick.
- Once USask researchers receive your online submission, a team member will let you know the tick species that bit you.
- For purpose of quality control or if the tick species is one of medical concern (e.g. blacklegged tick), we will ask you to submit the tick by mail so we can confirm its species identity

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## SPSA Recognizes Emergency Preparedness Week; Test Alert Planned for Saskatchewan

The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed May 7-13 as Emergency Preparedness Week.

During Emergency Preparedness Week, the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) will be posting resources and templates on its **website** and **Facebook**. Families can use these tools to create an emergency plan and prepare an emergency kit for their home or vehicle.

It is important to consider all types of emergencies and scenarios when preparing for an emergency. Knowing what to do and how to prepare for different situations is a crucial step in being ready to face any emergency.

### SaskAlert System Testing

The SPSA will also conduct a test of the SaskAlert system at approximately 1:55 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10. SaskAlert provides critical information on emergencies in real time, so people in the province can take action to protect themselves and their community.

Not all mobile devices will receive the test alert since some devices are not compatible or the device software may not be up to date. For more information, visit **saskalert.ca** or contact your telecommunications provider.

Emergency Preparedness Week is a national event that takes place during the first full week of May. .

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## Reminders

### Consultation: ECCC Proposed Regulatory Framework on Reducing Canada's Landfill Methane Emissions

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) is seeking feedback on a **Proposed Regulatory Framework** that outlines the key requirements under consideration for new federal regulations to reduce methane emissions from Canadian landfills. Information on previous engagement and consultation on the development of these regulations can be accessed at this [webpage](#).

In addition to the Proposed Regulatory Framework, ECCC is distributing a Technical Guidance Document on Estimating, Measuring and Monitoring Landfill Methane and an accompanying Landfill Methane Modelling Tool. These documents are referenced in the Proposed Regulatory Framework and provide additional context on the methods that will support implementation of the new regulations. These resources can be requested via e-mail or accessed at the following link: [Technical Guidance Document](#).

The next phase of consultation is the publication of the proposed regulations in *Canada Gazette*, Part I which is anticipated in early 2024 for a 60-day public comment period. The final regulations are expected to be published in *Canada Gazette*, Part II in late 2024.

You can send your comments on the Proposed Regulatory Framework to [ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca](mailto:ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca). Please submit your feedback by **May 19, 2023**.

If you have any questions or comments, contact ECCC at: [ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca](mailto:ges-dechets-ghg-waste@ec.gc.ca).

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### Consultation: Review of Draft Environmental Code Chapter for Compost Facilities

In 2020, the Ministry of Environment released the Solid Waste Management Strategy with a goal of modernizing regulations, including a commitment to develop a compost facility chapter for inclusion in the Saskatchewan Environmental Code. The ministry is now seeking your feedback on the proposed draft compost facility chapter.

In 2022, the ministry worked with a focus group to develop the draft chapter. The proposed chapter will govern compost facility siting, design, operation and closure pursuant to *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010*.



The compost facility chapter will establish an efficient application system for Saskatchewan that will minimize administrative burden for owners and operators. The draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter, a Discussion Paper, and engagement details can be [found here](#).

### Engagement on the draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter :

Your feedback is important to the ministry, and they welcome any input on the proposed compost facilities chapter. There are a variety of ways that you may engage with the ministry:

- Submit written comments on the draft compost facilities chapter to [waste.management@gov.sk.ca](mailto:waste.management@gov.sk.ca) no later than June 30, 2023.
- Complete the code chapter [summary survey](#) by June 30, 2023.
- Register for an engagement session below by clicking on the link:
  - [Thursday, May 11, 2023 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm](#)
  - [Monday, May 29, 2023 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am](#)

The ministry will review the responses and report back on what they heard. This report will be emailed to stakeholders and posted on the Government of Saskatchewan website once complete.

For questions about this public engagement, please contact [amy.richter@gov.sk.ca](mailto:amy.richter@gov.sk.ca) (306-787-0783) or [pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca) (306-787-6171).

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## Industrial Rail Amendment - Application to Construct

The Ministry of Highways Transportation Policy and Programs branch, continuously reviews all aspects of *The Railway Act* and related guidelines and standard.

The purpose of the ongoing review is to ensure *The Railway Act*, guidelines and standards align with federal railway rules and requirements, are modernized to reflect the economic landscape of Saskatchewan, minimize red tape, and most importantly maintain and promote safe railway operations.

As part of this review process, there was a need identified to provide greater clarity on the scope of railway expansion projects that do not require formal approval under the Act.

Attached for your review is an updated version of our existing *Application to Construct, Acquire or Alter a Railway - PRG1001*

The primary change to the guideline includes the following criteria to better define small scale railway alteration projects that don't pose a substantial change the nature of the railway operation:

Existing railways are not required to obtain an Authorization to Construct or Alter if the proposed rail expansion or alteration:

1. Does not cross any public road
2. Does not cross any existing utility lines
3. Extends the railway line(s) a combined total of less than 500 m
4. Alters the centerline of an existing railway line by less than 5 m from the original centerline and is within the railway's existing right of way or property boundaries
5. Does not require the acquisition of additional land; and
6. Is not intended for the storage, loading, or transportation of dangerous goods.

If you have any questions about this amended guideline or would like to provide feedback, please contact us by email at [rail.services@gov.sk.ca](mailto:rail.services@gov.sk.ca) before **May 30, 2023**.

For reference the guidelines and standards can be [found here](#).

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## ***The Trip Inspection Regulations Review***

The Ministry of Highways is conducting a review of ***The Trip Inspection Regulations***. The Ministry is looking to obtain feedback on the regulations, proposed amendments and any other suggested changes you may have for the regulations.

Please find the letter linked below providing information on the review and a link to the consultation survey being conducted as part of the Ministry's review.

The survey will be available until **May 19, 2023**.

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If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation Programs Unit via email at [mhitrucking@gov.sk.ca](mailto:mhitrucking@gov.sk.ca).

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### **Government of Canada Further Increases Interest Relief to Help Producers Manage Financial Challenges**



In recognition of the significant financial challenges facing Canadian producers, the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, [on May 10, 2023] confirmed that the interest-free limit of the Advance Payments Program has been increased from \$250,000 to \$350,000 for the 2023 program year, effective May 8, 2023. This is the portion of advances on which the Government of Canada pays the interest on behalf of producers.

Under the Advance Payments Program, producers have easy access to favorable cash advances of up to \$1 million, based on the expected value of their agricultural product. The program can also provide some flexibility by allowing producers to sell their agricultural products based on market conditions rather than the need for cash.

By increasing the interest-free limit to \$350,000 for 2023, eligible participating producers could save an additional \$3,600 in interest costs on average for the year. This change will represent total savings of up to \$12.4 million.

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### **Spring Seeding Underway**

Seeding is underway in Saskatchewan, with nine per cent of the crop in the ground, according to the first Crop Report of the season.

Saskatchewan is home to more than 40 per cent of Canada's cultivated farmland, producing nearly 35 million tonnes of total crop production in 2022.

Seeding was delayed in the month of April due to cool weather and spring snowstorms.

Fields had to warm up and dry out before work could begin. The provincial seeding progress of nine per cent is behind the five-year average (2018-2022) of 23 per cent. Seeding is furthest advanced in the southwest, west-central and northwest regions. Seeding progress is slower in the eastern regions where snowfall was heavier and water in fields is taking longer to disappear.

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More than 200 farmers, ranchers, agrologists and other volunteers fill out a weekly survey during the growing season to contribute information that forms the crop report. We are actively seeking additional volunteers. For more information about becoming a volunteer crop report, contact the Agriculture Knowledge Centre at 1-866-457-8377.

A complete, printable version of the Crop Report is available online at [www.saskatchewan.ca/crop-report](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/crop-report).

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### **Saskatchewan is Developing Faster, a More Efficient Pathway for Internationally Educated Nurses to Join Health-Care Workforce**

Saskatchewan is developing a second phase of improvements to its pathway for Internationally Educated Nurses (IENs) that will further accelerate timeframes. These changes offer more options and supports for overseas nurses preparing to enter the provincial health care workforce.

Continued improvement to the IEN pathway is part of the ongoing work of

Saskatchewan's Health Human Resources (HHR) Action Plan to *recruit, train, incentivize and retain* more health care workers.

By September, Saskatchewan will be ready to implement a second series of improvements for IENs, including:

- A shorter bridging program that will build on an applicant's existing knowledge but also provide solid grounding and orientation to the Saskatchewan health-care system, reducing the transition process from approximately one year to 14 weeks;
- An applicant-focused approach to support success, including:
  - language training supports to ensure this foundational requirement is met through online materials and workshops;
  - an expansion of options to establish language proficiency;
  - employer orientation specific to the facility and location;
  - access to clinical supports that will have experienced professionals available to provide support to new employees;
  - settlement assistance in collaboration with community groups; and
  - customized support through navigators.

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## University of Regina's Internet-Delivered Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Program Receives Funding Boost

The Government of Saskatchewan is providing \$400,000 in additional funding to support the University of Regina Online Therapy Unit so that Internet-delivered Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (ICBT) can reach as many Saskatchewan residents with mental health and addictions concerns as possible. The increased funding will expand capacity to screen and deliver treatment to more people from across Saskatchewan.

ICBT provides an effective, flexible alternative to in-person therapy. People across the province can access this resource free of charge. More than 13,000 individuals have received its services since 2013.

The Online Therapy Unit, with clinical support from the Saskatchewan Health Authority, provides effective online treatment to Saskatchewan residents experiencing depression, anxiety, substance misuse or difficulties coping with chronic health conditions. Individuals can self-refer to the program.

A screening is completed by the Online Therapy Unit and if the service is appropriate, they are matched to a therapist and begin the treatment modules. More information on the service is available at <https://onlinetherapyuser.ca/>.

Additional one-time funding of \$150,000 was provided to the Online Therapy Unit in 2022-23 for program enhancements including new resources, ensuring content is appropriate to the diverse needs of clients, adapting course materials to better support the varied learning styles and literacy levels of clients, and promoting awareness of the service.

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## Saskatchewan Proclaims Annual Supply Chain Week

The Government of Saskatchewan has designated the week of May 14 - 20, 2023, as Annual Supply Chain Week in the province.

Supply Chain Week celebrates the critical role that supply chain managers, their teams, and their suppliers play in the success of Saskatchewan's economy. This sector creates thousands of jobs and employs professionals across all industries who manage the goods and services needed to keep businesses operating. In Saskatchewan, over 40,000 people are employed by supply chain companies.



Visit [supplychaincanada.com](https://supplychaincanada.com) to learn more about this week's events.

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## Province Recognizes May 15-19 as Innovation Week

The Government of Saskatchewan is recognizing May 15-19, 2023, as Innovation Week.



Innovation Week highlights Saskatchewan researchers, entrepreneurs, organizations and companies that have helped shape the province's vibrant innovation ecosystem. It also showcases the impact of innovation advancements on our daily lives as well as the provincial economy.

Throughout the week, Innovation Saskatchewan will highlight innovators and host events at the Saskatoon and Regina research and technology parks. As the central agency for the Government of Saskatchewan, Innovation Saskatchewan is responsible for implementing the province's innovation priorities and growing the province's technology sector.

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## Province Announces Ice Expansion During National



## Police Week

Saskatchewan has proclaimed May 14 to 20 as National Police Week. In celebration of the week, Saskatchewan is pleased to announce an investment of \$147,000 to enhance the Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit across the province. ICE is an integrated policing unit charged with investigating and apprehending perpetrators of child sexual exploitation.

The ICE Unit will receive a total of over \$1.4 million through the Municipal Police Grant program in 2023-24 to fund nine police positions in Saskatoon (5), Regina (3) and Prince Albert (1). Two additional investigator positions, one in each Saskatoon and Regina, were added in 2022-23. The ICE Coordinator position also moved from Prince Albert to Saskatoon that same year. The RCMP also receive \$1.31 million in annual funding to support five positions within the ICE Unit.

The theme of the week, *Committed to Serve*, recognizes the commitment of police here in Saskatchewan and across Canada to establish safer communities for all.

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## Golf Cart Municipal Bylaws

SGI is moving forward with a two-year pilot project to allow municipalities to pass bylaws, permitting people to drive golf carts on certain municipal roads, subject to certain limitations and SGI approval.

Going forward, SGI will approve municipal bylaws that include the following requirements and restrictions:

- All drivers must hold a minimum of a valid Class 7 driver's licence.
- Owners must carry a minimum of \$200,000 in liability insurance for damages caused by the golf cart. They must also provide proof of insurance at the request of a peace officer.
- Golf carts must be equipped as defined in The Registration Exemption and Reciprocity Regulations (at least three wheels, weight limit of 590 kg, etc.).
- Golf carts cannot operate on any roadway with a posted speed over 50 km/h.
- Golf carts will be required to display a slow-moving vehicle sign.
- Golf carts can only be operated during daylight hours (half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset) on roadways.
- Golf carts cannot be capable of operating at a speed of more than 24 km/h on level ground.
- Golf carts must not be operated on any provincial highway, other than to cross one.
- The bylaw must identify the road or part of the road within the municipality where the operation of a golf cart is permitted.
- Municipalities must include in their bylaw that they will monitor and inform SGI of any collisions that occur and if there were any injuries or fatalities.

It's important to note golf carts are motor vehicles and users must comply with all traffic

laws, including impaired driving laws. Any penalties or requirements resulting from a traffic offence while operating a golf cart would apply to the operator's driver record. A ticket for operating a golf cart where prohibited costs \$80 (including the victim surcharge). Operating a golf cart without a driver's licence comes with a \$150 ticket (including the victim surcharge).

Each municipality is responsible for submitting their own golf cart bylaw to SGI. The bylaw must be approved by SGI before it can be deemed in force.

Municipalities can submit bylaws to:

**[corporateautofund@sgi.sk.ca](mailto:corporateautofund@sgi.sk.ca)**

**or**

Director, Vehicle Registration Policy & Permit Services  
SGI, Regina Operations Centre  
5104 Donnelly Crescent  
Regina, SK, S4P3C4

If your municipality chooses not to pass a bylaw allowing their use, golf carts will continue to be prohibited on public roads in your community.

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The interactive Highway Hotline map gives drivers timely information about road conditions. It advises when roads are closed and when travel is not recommended. Last November, a new Highway Hotline smart-phone app was launched, that gives travelers information on handheld devices. Saskatchewan's Highway Hotline app is available at the Apple Store and on Google Play. It's been downloaded more than 100,000 times since its



The Hotline has links to nearly 50 cameras all over the province. These images allow travellers to see weather conditions for themselves and make better decisions. Check

launch.

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## Women Leading Change in Saskatchewan Business

Women Entrepreneurs week is May 14 to 20, a time to focus on the contributions women make to Saskatchewan's business community and our province's economic prosperity.



Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan (WESK) is a non-profit dedicated to helping women start, grow, and scale their businesses. They offer a wide range of services, and ultimately, look to connect like-minded professionals and empower female entrepreneurs of every age, stage and culture.

To help businesses and individuals in finding and supporting women

entrepreneurs, WESK hosts a Saskatchewan women-owned business database that currently holds more than six hundred business listings. For more information or to register in the database, visit <https://wesk.ca/women-owned-business-database>.

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## Agriculture Industry Benefits from Funding for Applied Research Projects

The Government of Canada and Saskatchewan announced that 56 Agriculture Demonstration of Practices and Technologies program (ADOPT) projects and eight Strategic Field Program (SFP) projects received more than \$1.4 million in funding in 2023.

The ADOPT program provides funding to assist producer groups and First Nations communities to evaluate and demonstrate new agricultural practices and technologies at the local level. ADOPT focuses on practical, short-term research projects that can be applied by producers soon after completion.

The SFP provides funding for relevant and timely research to agriculture producers in Saskatchewan and helps to develop new best practices that reinforce Saskatchewan's global leadership in sustainable agriculture production and expertise.

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In 2022, the ministry worked with a focus group to develop the draft chapter. The proposed chapter will govern compost facility siting, design, operation and closure pursuant to *The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010*.

The compost facility chapter will establish an efficient application system for Saskatchewan that will minimize administrative burden for owners and operators. The draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter, a Discussion Paper, and engagement details can be **found here**.

#### Engagement on the draft Compost Facilities Environmental Code Chapter:

Your feedback is important to the ministry, and they welcome any input on the proposed compost facilities chapter. There are a variety of ways that you may engage with the ministry:

- Submit written comments on the draft compost facilities chapter to **[waste.management@gov.sk.ca](mailto:waste.management@gov.sk.ca)** no later than June 30, 2023.
- Complete the code chapter **summary survey** by June 30, 2023.
- Register for an engagement session below by clicking on the link:
  - **Monday, May 29, 2023 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am**

The ministry will review the responses and report back on what they heard. This report will be emailed to stakeholders and posted on the Government of Saskatchewan website once complete.

For questions about this public engagement, please contact **[amy.richter@gov.sk.ca](mailto:amy.richter@gov.sk.ca)** (306-787-0783) or **[pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:pamela.berry@gov.sk.ca)** (306-787-6171).

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## Industrial Rail Amendment - Application to Construct

The Ministry of Highways Transportation Policy and Programs branch, continuously reviews all aspects of *The Railway Act* and related guidelines and standard.

The purpose of the ongoing review is to ensure *The Railway Act*, guidelines and standards align with federal railway rules and requirements, are modernized to reflect the economic landscape of Saskatchewan, minimize red tape, and most importantly

maintain and promote safe railway operations.

As part of this review process, there was a need identified to provide greater clarity on the scope of railway expansion projects that do not require formal approval under the Act.

Attached for your review is an updated version of our existing *Application to Construct, Acquire or Alter a Railway - PRG1001*

The primary change to the guideline includes the following criteria to better define small scale railway alteration projects that don't pose a substantial change the nature of the railway operation:

Existing railways are not required to obtain an Authorization to Construct or Alter if the proposed rail expansion or alteration:

1. Does not cross any public road
2. Does not cross any existing utility lines
3. Extends the railway line(s) a combined total of less than 500 m
4. Alters the centerline of an existing railway line by less than 5 m from the original centerline and is within the railway's existing right of way or property boundaries
5. Does not require the acquisition of additional land; and
6. Is not intended for the storage, loading, or transportation of dangerous goods.

If you have any questions about this amended guideline or would like to provide feedback, please contact us by email at [rail.services@gov.sk.ca](mailto:rail.services@gov.sk.ca) before **May 30, 2023**.

For reference the guidelines and standards can be [found here](#).

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## Saskatchewan Responds to Federal Bill C-48 on Bail Reform

[Last week], the federal government introduced Bill C-48, which would amend Canada's *Criminal Code* in relation to granting bail to repeat violent offenders.

When Federal-Provincial-Territorial Justice and Public Safety Ministers met in Ottawa in March, they called on the federal government to codify a reverse onus on bail for repeat violent offenders. This followed a unanimous letter by all Premiers to the Prime Minister last November, calling for action to strengthen the country's bail system.

A reverse onus requires that an accused demonstrate why detention isn't necessary, which is a more difficult requirement to satisfy.

Bill C-48 also includes language that follows Saskatchewan's recommendation that a reverse onus be instituted for breach of release orders related to the possession of weapons. Saskatchewan also submitted recommendations on strengthening language around the importance of community safety and requiring judges to provide written consideration of the impacts to public safety when releasing violent offenders on bail.

### Bill C-48 amends the Criminal Code to:

- require courts to specifically consider when an accused has a history of violent convictions when making a release order;
- add new reverse onus provisions in s.515(6) for certain (but not all) firearms offences;
- add a new reverse onus provision in s.515(6) for the commission of a violent offence with a weapon, when the accused was previously convicted of a similar offence within the past five years;
- clarify in the bail provisions that a weapons "prohibition order" includes a judge's release order, for the purposes of triggering a reverse onus;
- add those who were discharged of an intimate partner violence offence to the existing reverse onus provision regarding repeat intimate partner violence;
- add a requirement that the judge, when making an order relating to release, include in the record of proceedings a statement relating to the safety and security of the community (previously, the requirement was only for a statement relating to the safety and security of individual victims); and
- include a mandatory five-year review of provisions to evaluate the impact of the reforms.

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## Legislation to Protect Firearms Owners Takes Effect

Important provisions in *The Saskatchewan Firearms Act* will come into force [on May 19, 2023]. The Act protects the rights of lawful firearms owners across the province and enhances public safety.

The new provisions coming into force:

- establish licensing requirements for seizure agents involved in firearms expropriation under new federal laws;
- establish provincial firearms offences that will promote the safe and



- responsible use of firearms;
- allow the Minister to appoint a Firearms Compensation Committee to determine the fair market value of any firearms, ammunition and related accessories being expropriated by the federal government; and
- allow for designation and approval of firearms testing facilities.

Two additional provisions under the Act are expected to come into force in the coming months - the requirement for payment of fair compensation for any firearms being expropriated by the federal government, and forensic and ballistic testing requirements of those expropriated firearms. These remaining sections will be brought into force after the necessary planning, implementation and regulatory changes are completed to ensure proper oversight.

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## **Agricultural Manufacturers Driving Record Implement Exports with Increased Global Demand for Saskatchewan Products**

Amid recent records for international exports, the province's agricultural manufacturers are generating sustained and significant growth as they create a rising global demand for Saskatchewan-made equipment and technology solutions.

While 2022 provincial exports to the U.S. reached an all-time high of \$29.3 billion and total agri-food exports were a record \$18.5 billion, shipments by the agricultural implement sector over the past five years have increased in value by 135 per cent from 2018 (\$359 million) to 2023 (\$843 million). From 2021 to 2022 alone, their value increased by 58 per cent. Saskatchewan's total exports for 2022 were valued at \$52.6 billion.

Saskatchewan's agricultural manufacturing sector—which specializes in short-line manufacturing of equipment for precision dryland farming—is well-dispersed between urban and rural centres, with many smaller operations based in communities with populations under 10,000. Many of these manufacturers are participants in major industry events like Canada's Farm Show in Regina in June and Ag In Motion in Langham in July, where the latest agriculture technology is showcased to thousands of producers and international buyers.

Destinations for Saskatchewan agriculture implements are highly varied, with the U.S. and Australia the largest markets followed by countries such as Lithuania, France, Uruguay, Kazakhstan, Mongolia and Bulgaria. Products include equipment designed for a wide range of purposes such as zero-till seeding, spraying and fertilizing, livestock and forage, rock removal, and grain handling, storage and transportation.

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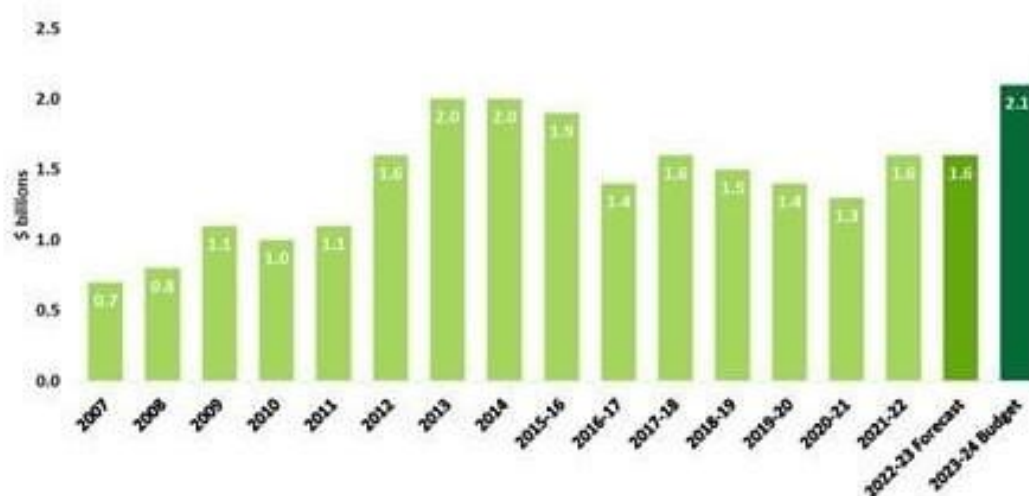
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## **Record Crown Sector Capital Investment Supports Saskatchewan Growth**

Saskatchewan's Crown corporations plan to invest a record \$2.1 billion in capital spending in 2023-24 to enhance system safety and reliability, better serve customers and support the province's growing economy.

SaskTel will invest a record \$412 million to expand wireless and fibre optic broadband infrastructure, allowing the Crown corporation to accelerate the growth of its 5G network and the SaskTel infiNET™ service, better connecting Saskatchewan residents

and communities across the province.



SaskEnergy will spend a record \$331 million to maintain its system integrity and reliability and develop additional infrastructure to meet increasing customer demand, continuing to deliver reliable and affordable natural gas service to homes, businesses and industry.

SaskPower is investing \$1.15 billion in new generation, transmission and distribution projects, while maintaining the existing power infrastructure to meet growing customer demand, improve system integrity and reliability, and support energy security and transition in Saskatchewan.

Through SaskWater, the Government of Saskatchewan is investing \$44.6 million to support significant industrial growth in the Regina region as well as continued investment to sustain water and wastewater systems.

A significant portion of SGI capital plan of \$31.2 million is allotted for continuing a business process and technology renewal project to enhance customer experience and competitiveness in the insurance industry.

In addition, SaskGaming is expected to begin its \$5 million renovation to Casino Moose Jaw in June 2023 to create a brighter, more welcoming, and convenient environment for guests.

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## Legislative Session Highlights Government's Commitment to Growth that Works for Everyone

With the Spring sitting of the Legislature concluding today, Premier Scott Moe highlighted his government's commitment to growth that works for everyone. Key government initiatives included a balanced budget that increased funding to priority areas like health, education and social services, standing up to federal intrusion with the passing of the *Saskatchewan First Act* and the

This legislation amends the Constitution of Saskatchewan to clearly confirm autonomy and assert the province's exclusive legislative jurisdiction over the exploration, development and management of non-renewable natural resources, forestry resources and the generation and production of electricity.

In the health care sector, significant steps were taken to enhance the recruitment and retention of health care professionals to ensure Saskatchewan residents get the care they need when they need it.

release of a made-in-Saskatchewan plan for affordable, reliable electrical generation, addressing health care staffing shortages, and the implementation of \$10 per day child care that will make life more affordable for Saskatchewan families.

The 2023-24 Provincial Budget, introduced in March, is projected to pay down \$1.0 billion in debt, which will save taxpayers \$44 million in annual interest payments.

This spring, the Government of Saskatchewan passed *The Saskatchewan First Act*.

To further support students in the province, a Distance Learning Corporation was created that will offer more than 180 online courses for Kindergarten to Grade 12, including more than 70 high school electives, with ready to use educational resources for students and teachers with instructional videos and lesson plans. Additionally, government reaffirmed its commitment to affordable, inclusive and high-quality childcare, reaching the goal of \$10 a day child care three years ahead of schedule.

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## Highway Construction Season Gets into Full Swing

When the daylight hours become longer and warmer weather rolls in, construction equipment rolls out onto Saskatchewan highways. The Government of Saskatchewan is reminding travellers to keep an eye out for highway construction zones across the province.

Some major construction projects will continue or be completed to improve safety and traffic flow, including:

- Continuing passing lanes and widening on Highway 5 from Saskatoon to Highway 2;
- Beginning construction of twinning projects near Rowatt and Corinne on Highways 6 and 39 between Regina and Weyburn; and
- Beginning upgrades on Highway 15 east of Kenaston between Highways 11 and 2.

There are plans to improve another 1,000 kilometres (km) of highways, for a total of more than 4,600 km of highways improved over the last four years.

Highways will also invest \$62.8 million to repair or rebuild 14 bridges and replace more than 100 culverts across the province. Significant bridge projects include:

- Replacing the Montreal River Bridge on Highway 2 near Weyakwin; and
- Rehabilitating the Highway 6 bridge over Regina's Ring Road for traffic heading north into the city.

A weekly highway construction update is published on [Saskatchewan.ca](https://saskatchewan.ca) to provide drivers with the latest details on projects underway to help plan safe and efficient travel. If you're planning to travel, check the Highway Hotline at [saskatchewan.ca/highwayhotline](https://saskatchewan.ca/highwayhotline).

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### Governments Announce Renewed Funding to Build Resiliency and Public Trust in Agriculture

[On May 18, 2023], the Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan announced more than \$4.1 million to support Farm & Food Care Saskatchewan, Agriculture in the Classroom Saskatchewan and 4-H Saskatchewan over the next five years under the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP). This investment

supports the organizations that tell the story of agriculture in Saskatchewan and build public trust while developing the next generation of agriculture leaders.

Agriculture in the Classroom  
Saskatchewan is essential to promoting agricultural education, building connections between young people and the agricultural industry, and inspiring the next generation of agricultural leaders through hands-on activities, engaging programs, and inquiry-based educational resources.



4-H Saskatchewan is a youth development organization that aims to provide young people with opportunities to develop leadership, citizenship and life skills through agricultural and other related projects.

Resiliency and Public Trust are priority areas for the Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan under Sustainable CAP. Recognizing the agriculture sector is a key economic driver, the governments are committed to investing in organizations that help consumers understand the industry, build trust and showcase its commitment to food safety, animal health, and the environment.

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## **Additional Province-Wide Support for Saskatchewan Producers Impacted by Wildlife Damage**

[On May 19, 2023], Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister David Marit announced further support for Saskatchewan producers through enhancement of the Wildlife Damage Prevention Program.

The Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation (SCIC) administers the Wildlife Damage Prevention Fund. Producers can receive funding for steps taken to prevent wildlife damage to feed supplies. Funding for fencing is available. Producers who have received compensation greater than \$2,000 per feed storage site may be eligible to receive a fence package to protect their future feed supplies. SCIC will inform eligible producers of prevention options and work with them to determine the appropriate package. Once a fence is constructed, a site is no longer eligible for wildlife damage compensation.

Saskatchewan producers are eligible for compensation on damaged crops and livestock caused by wildlife through the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program. Producers should reach out to their local SCIC office by calling 1-888-935-0000 as soon as damage is detected.

For more information about the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program visit <https://www.scic.ca/wildlife-damage>.

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## Saskatchewan Provides \$24.1 Million to Support Essential Skills Programs

The Government of Saskatchewan is reaffirming its commitment to the development of a skilled workforce with over \$24 million allocated to Essential Skills programs for residents across the province.



Essential Skills programming, formerly known as Adult Basic Education, plays a vital role in improving education and employment potential for all learners, enhancing quality of life. This programming supports learners in three key areas:

- Developing skills, such as literacy, numeracy and social sciences, essential for employment;
- Increasing education and/or certification levels; and
- Assisting adults to obtain educational prerequisites for further training or employment.

Funding is allocated to seven regional colleges, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, Gabriel Dumont Institute and Lakeland College. Since 2007-08, funding for Essential Skills has increased 51 per cent, an overall increase of \$8.1 million.

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## Feedback

# THE BUILDING A GREEN PRAIRIE ECONOMY ACT



## PrairiesCan Launches a Consultation Portal for the Building a Green Prairie Economy Act

On December 15, 2022, the ***Building a Green Prairie Economy Act*** became law. The Act was the product of the vision and passion of the Honourable Jim Carr, the late Member of Parliament for Winnipeg South Centre who, in everything he did, had the Prairies at heart. At its core, he saw the Act as a new way of doing business – to better focus federal programs on growing regional economies and creating well-paying jobs across the Prairies.

Between now and June 30th, PrairiesCan wants to hear your ideas on the clean economic opportunities for the Prairies, what is needed to advance them, and how to strengthen collaboration with partners to seize the future for the Prairie region in a competitive global economy. The input received will be used to help inform the framework, which must be tabled in Parliament December 2023.

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## Information

### SARM Encouraged by Wildlife Damage Compensation Enhancements

The Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM), along with member RMs, welcomes the recent announcements made around wildlife management including improved access to fencing packages and supplemental freight adjustments for impacted agriculture producers. These are encouraging initial steps in what is hopefully the beginning of a long-term strategy to balance the need for healthy, sustainable wildlife populations, and producers' ability to protect valuable feedstocks and infrastructure.

**“Our members have expressed concerns about various wildlife populations and**

the multiple types of damage being dealt with across the province,” says Ray Orb, SARM President. “SARM has made this one of our top priorities when speaking to the province and is hopeful for continued enhancements.”

These enhancements will help ease the stress caused by wildlife destroying needed winter feedstocks. Many Saskatchewan producers have experienced an increase of wildlife damage which has caused them to have seek out and purchase additional feed from further distances to replace the damaged feed in order to maintain their livestock herds. This has also caused higher-than-normal replacement feed costs in parts of the province.

The increases in those areas of the province for big game hunting opportunities which was announced earlier, along with these current enhancements of the Wildlife Damage Prevention Program, and the supplemental freight adjustments, are steps in the right direction.

“This is the time to make proactive changes on this issue and SARM is optimistic changes like these will help get agriculture producers to a place where they can better manage their wildlife issues next year,” states Orb.

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### **Shoreline Alteration - Protect Aquatic Habitat with A Permit from WSA**

With warmer weather on the horizon, cabin owners and recreational boaters will be heading to lakes across Saskatchewan to enjoy the sunshine.

This is a busy time of year for maintenance and improvement projects to recreational properties, and it's also a busy time for the Water Security Agency's (WSA) Aquatic Habitat Protection (AHP) program. WSA is reminding residents to call before doing work near water as you may need an Aquatic Habitat Protection Permit (AHPP).

Permits are intended to minimize development impacts to aquatic ecosystems, also ensuring protection for our province's vibrant and vital habitats and waterways.

Some projects - like installing seasonal/temporary boat docks and boat lifts, or track and dolly systems - do not require an AHPP; however, some projects do, including:

- Shoreline stabilization (placing rock riprap, gabion baskets, retaining walls),
- Aquatic vegetation removal (i.e., removal of vegetation from in the water),
- Vegetation removal along the shoreline (i.e., cutting trees/shrubs),
- Access trails to the shoreline,
- Boat launch repairs/maintenance, and
- Boathouse construction.

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## **Province Passes Amendments to Occupational Health and Safety Provisions**

All of the amendments are in force with the exception of the requirement to have a violence policy and investigate incidents. This provision will come into force in one year to allow employers the time and opportunity to create and implement policies. Guidelines and sample policies are available on [saskatchewan.ca](https://www.saskatchewan.ca).

The *Saskatchewan Employment (Part III) Amendment Act, 2022* includes:



- Clarifying the definition of a worker to include secondary and post-secondary students so that they are covered by the provisions in Part III of the Act.
- Clarifying the employers' duty and responsibility to ensure that incidents of harassment are investigated.
- Requiring all workplaces to have a violence policy in place that will also apply to students, volunteers and contract workers and investigate all incidents of violence in the workplace.
- Clarifying the work and authority of occupational health officers to take photos and recordings during workplace inspections.
- Authority for officers to exclude a person from an investigation interview if there is a perceived conflict. The person being interviewed would then be asked to nominate another person to attend the interview.
- Housekeeping and general amendments necessary to keep the legislation relevant and aligned with other legislative requirements.

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## More Than 200 Goats Join the Weed Management Team At Wascana Centre

[On May, 24, 2023], the Provincial Capital Commission (PCC) welcomes to Wascana Centre more than 200 goats trained to nibble through invasive weeds. Back for a second year, the number of goats increased from last year, allowing them to graze larger areas. Each goat eats about 10 pounds of weeds daily.



The public is welcome to see the goats while they are hard at work in the park from May 24 through June 1, but are asked to avoid the electrified fences and keep all dogs on a leash to not distract the shepherd dogs supporting their work.

The goats are local, making the trek from Elbow, Saskatchewan, with handlers from No Kidding Weed Management. Shepard Florentine Maathius will stay onsite with the herd. The team also includes a loyal guard sheepdog and two Border Collie herding dogs.

The grazing happens in two phases to assist in weed removal. The current phase limits the invasive weeds' initial growth and the second grazing in early August targets those same weeds before they go to seed. The goal once the weeds are reduced is to return the area to its natural prairie grasses which include, Canada wildrye, rough fescue and green needle grass.

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## Provincial Fire Ban Lifted

Due to recent rainfall and cooler weather, the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA) is lifting the provincial fire ban that has been in place since May 16, 2023. The ban had



It is up to each municipality to rescind or modify a fire ban that has

applied to all Crown lands, provincial parks and the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District north of Highway 16.

Some municipalities and provincial parks continue to experience a high fire risk, as the area north of Churchill did not get widespread heavy rains. Provincial parks in this area will potentially retain local fire or burn restrictions.

been issued at a local level. The SPSA continues to encourage all municipalities to examine the fire risk in their local area and reminds the public to practice fire safety.

Anyone who spots a wildfire can call 1-800-667-9660, dial 911 or contact their closest SPSA Protection Area office.

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# ALWAYS KNOW WHAT'S BELOW

**CLICKING** or **CALLING** before you dig costs nothing. Not **CLICKING** or **CALLING** could cost you and your neighbours everything!

The Saskatchewan Common Ground Alliance and Sask 1st Call reminds everyone to request a locate for underground utility lines to be marked prior to any ground disturbance like digging.

## **NEW FOR 2023:**

Maintained locate markings are valid for 30 days.

# ALWAYS DIG SAFE!



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## Looking to Hire:

**RM of North Qu'Appelle No. 187**, Municipal Administrator, JUL 15 - Close  
**SARM**, Executive Coordinator, JUN 2 - Close  
**RM of Pleasantdale No. 398**, Administrator, JUL 4 - Close  
**RM of Newcombe No. 260**, Public Works Assistant Foreman, JUL 1 - Close  
**RM of Meadow Lake No. 588**, CAO/Administrator, JUL 1 - Close  
**RM of St. Phillips No. 301**, Administrator, JUN 23 - Close  
**RM of Dufferin No. 190**, Grader Operator, JUN 23 - Close  
**RM of Meeting Lake No. 466**, Public Works Foreman, JUN 21 - Close  
**RM of Bethune No. 190**, Grader Operator, JUN 16 - Close  
**RM of Kingsley No. 124**, Foreman, JUN 15 - Close  
**RM of Arborfield No. 456**, Equipment & Grader Operator, JUN 14 - Close  
**RM of Webb No. 138**, Public Works Foreman, JUN 11 - Close

## Looking to Buy/Sell:

**RM of Key West No. 70**, For Sale by Tender: Shop Lights & Ripper JUL 7 - Close  
**RM of Eldon No. 471**, For Sale by Tender: CAT D7G Crawler, JUN 13 - Close  
**RM of Ituna Bon Accord No. 246**, For Sale by Tender: Digging Stones on Roads, JUN 13 - Close  
**RM of Moose Creek No. 33**, For Sale by Tender: Two 2017 XH 1500 Schulte Rotary Cutters and Two 1400A Schulte Flex Arms, JUN 15 - Close

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## Minister Bibeau Launches a New Intake of the Agricultural Clean Technology Program

To help agricultural producers make their operations more sustainable, the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, is announcing that a new intake of the Agricultural Clean Technology (ACT) Program – Adoption Stream will open on June 1, 2023.

This new intake of the ACT Adoption Stream will provide non-repayable grants between \$25,000 and \$2 million to help producers purchase and install equipment that reduces greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions or provides other associated environmental benefits.

The ACT Program is focused on three priority areas: green energy and energy efficiency; precision agriculture; and bioeconomy solutions.

Eligible applicants from across Canada will be able to submit applications for this intake from June 1 until June 22, 2023 and are encouraged to apply immediately. Organizations who have received Adoption Stream funding in the past are not eligible to apply to this new funding opportunity.

**Learn More**

## Minister Bibeau Launches a New Phase of the Local Food Infrastructure Fund

**Canada**

[On May 4, 2023], the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, while visiting Rideau-Rockcliffe Community Resource Centre with the Honourable Mona Fortier, Member of Parliament for Ottawa–Vanier and President of the Treasury Board,

announced \$10 million for a new phase of the Local Food Infrastructure Fund (LFIF).

LFIF is a 5-year, \$70-million initiative, ending on March 31, 2024. It was created as part of the Government of Canada's Food Policy, a roadmap for healthier and more sustainable food systems in Canada. LFIF supports community-based, not-for-profit organizations to improve food security by strengthening local food systems and improving access to nutritious food.

This new phase of LFIF will provide rapid-response funding in the range of \$15,000 to \$120,000 per project to help improve food security in communities through investments in equipment and infrastructure needs.

Program *details and requirements* are available now. Eligible applicants from across Canada will be able to submit applications for this intake from May 4 until May 31, 2023. Organizations who have received LFIF funding in the past will be eligible to apply to this new funding opportunity.

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## Be Bear Aware

It's that time of year - remember to be bear aware. As warmer weather settles in, our furry friends will be leaving their dens in search of food.

Black bears are found throughout most of the province. They are commonly spotted in northern Saskatchewan forests, but their range extends southward into the aspen parkland and into other areas including the Touchwood Hills, the Qu'Appelle Valley and the South Saskatchewan River Valley.

To further protect the public, provincial regulations prohibit the feeding of bears, wolves, cougars and coyotes. This regulation does not apply to landfills or hunters and trappers operating under a licence.

Steps for bear-proofing your yard include:

- Store garbage in a secure building or buy a bear-resistant container. Only put your garbage bin out on the morning of collection.
- Wash all recycling items and regularly clean garbage or recycling bins.
- Ensure pet food is stored where it is not accessible to wildlife.
- Only use bird feeders in the winter while bears hibernate.
- Do not add fish, meat, fat, oils, unrinsed eggshells or any cooked food to compost bins.
- Properly clean and store barbecue grills after each use.

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## **CWRA Webinar: Long-term Trends in Riverine Nutrient Loads, Ratios, and Streamflow in the Red-Assiniboine Basin**

Environment and Climate Change Canada's Lake Winnipeg Basin Office invites you to attend a virtual webinar hosted by the CWRA.

The webinar will feature a Lake Winnipeg Basin Program funded project featuring research on Long-term Trends in Riverine Nutrient Loads, Ratios, and Streamflow in the Red-Assiniboine Basin by Amy B. White, Ph.D. Candidate.

**Date:** Tuesday, June 13, 2023

**Time:** 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. (CST)

The CWRA, Manitoba Branch is hosting this webinar and there is a nominal registration fee to attend. Please find more information below and a link to register.

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