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- Human Rights AI Impact Assessment tools.
- OMAFA webinar on land-use siting for energy projects.
- ERO posting on changes to excess soils regulations.
- ERO posting on proposed changes to energy legislation.
- ERO Posting on changes to electricity system connection infrastructure.
- Integrated Energy Resource Plan Consultation.
- Intake announcement - Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund.
- ROMA Conference: *Rural Routes* - Program updates.
- ROMA Conference: *Rural Routes* - Request your delegation meetings.
- ROMA Pre-conference workshop January 18 - Two Keys to Municipal Success.
- ROMA Conference: *Rural Routes* - Exhibit Hall is almost sold out!
- Foundations in Planning & Advanced Land Use Planning - winter workshops.
- Indigenous Community Awareness, February 2025 workshop.
- NEW! Apathy to Action: Building Resilient Communities through Managing Assets workshop.
- NEW! Equity, Inclusion and Innovation in Municipalities, March 25 workshop.
- Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official, March 2025 workshop.
- Disability Inclusion, March 27 virtual workshop .
- Managing Communications through Crisis, April 2025 workshop.
- Canoe webinar: Leveraging Stakeholder Relationships for Procurement Success.
- Use Canoe for easy budget pricing.
- Plan for your 2025 road need study now.
- Blog: Fortifying Your Municipality Against Cyber Threats.
- Enbridge Gas Integrated Resource Planning webinars - Register TODAY!
- New Where to Recycle map.
- OAITH Wrapped in Courage campaign.
- HSC's 2025 Regeneration Forum: *Levelling Up - Transforming Housing*.
- AdvantAge Annual Seniors' Housing Forum.
- Careers and RFP.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The Law Commission of Ontario and Ontario Human Rights Commission have developed an [assessment toolkit](#) to help organizations implementing AI systems ensure systems are designed to avoid discrimination and encourage compliance with human rights requirements.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Agri-Business are hosting [a webinar](#) with the IESO on November 21 to provide information and answer questions about renewable energy project siting.

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is [seeking comments](#) on proposed changes to excess soil management to remove barriers for the reuse of soil. Comments are due November 21.

The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is [seeking comments](#) on proposed legislative amendments to related to integrated energy planning and affordability measures. Comments are due November 22.

The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is [seeking comments](#) on proposed regulatory changes that will

shift the cost and risk burden of funding new distribution infrastructure from first-movers. Comments are due December 7.

The Ministry of Energy and Electrification is [seeking comments](#) to inform the development of a provincial energy plan to guide the transition to a clean, reliable, affordable energy supply. Comments are due December 13.

### **Federal Matters**

The \$6 billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund launches with \$1 billion for direct municipal and Indigenous infrastructure projects supporting housing-enabling infrastructure. Visit the [CHIF website](#) for [application details](#) and upcoming webinars.

### **Education Opportunities**

ROMA is pleased to share the 2025 conference [concurrent sessions](#). Sessions are designed from the rural perspective, highlighting solutions and innovation for rural communities. [Register for the ROMA Conference today](#).

MMAH is now accepting requests for delegations at the ROMA Conference. [Details on how to request a delegation meeting is here](#).

AMO's [Two Keys to Municipal Success: Sustainability & Engagement](#) workshop explores strategies for planning your organizations financial sustainability and how to successfully communicate to and engage your community on your plan and efforts.

The ROMA conference exhibit hall connects with over 1,500 attendees from rural Ontario municipalities. With the exhibit hall almost sold out, book your trade show booth today. Download the [exhibitor package](#) today.

[Foundations in Land Use Planning](#) familiarizes participants with legislation, land use planning processes, and provides real life examples to give a deep understanding and insight into important planning matters. From a strategic perspective, [Advance Land Use Planning](#) analyzes case studies through instructor lead instruction and group discussion.

The OFIFC and AMO workshop provides historical and current insight and knowledge into the damage brought to Indigenous communities. This workshop builds understanding and insight that is critical to developing strong, productive, and meaningful relationships between municipalities and Indigenous leaders and communities. Through a self-paced learning module and live virtual component, this workshop will provide knowledge and tools to utilize in moving improved and stronger Indigenous-municipal relations forward in Ontario. [Register today](#) for the February 19 workshop.

Asset management is about making informed, evidence-based decisions that help you allocate limited resources effectively and prioritize infrastructure investments. The [Apathy to Action: Building Resilient Communities through Managing Assets](#) interactive workshop offers municipally elected officials the opportunity to explore how asset management not only fulfills legislative requirements but also enhances decision-making and strengthens service delivery.

The [Equity, Inclusion and Innovation in Municipalities workshop](#) examines the importance and opportunities in embedding equity, inclusion and innovation within municipal decision-making processes, policies, and innovations. Explore practical strategies to create a more inclusive and equitable leadership approach and municipal organization.

Municipal leadership is often a pin cushion for our culture's broader issues. Conflict and misunderstanding is a big part of many municipal leaders current realities. This workshop provides an opportunity to transform conflict into collaboration. The [Navigating Conflict Relationships as an Elected Official October workshop](#) teaches skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official.

AMO Education has partnered with the Abilities Centre to deliver a workshop designed to enhance your understanding and approach to inclusion. Register for this important [Disability Inclusion Workshop](#).

Your community elected you to provide sound and confident leadership in the best interest of your community. During a crisis, this approach to leadership is critical. AMO's workshop on [Managing](#)

[Communications through Crisis](#) provides insight and tools to support in being this leader.

## **LAS**

The [Canoe Procurement Group](#) is hosting a [member-only](#) webinar on November 26 at 11am EST. Join Procurement Manager Stephanie Dion and Contract Manager Tony DeSciscio to explore how building trust and engaging stakeholders can enhance your procurement team's role. [Register here](#).

Planning your 2025 budget? The [Canoe Procurement Group](#) makes it easy to get pricing for the goods and services you plan to purchase next year. Provide Council with accurate numbers and avoid unpleasant surprises when the time comes to buy. [Contact Sarah](#) to learn more.

Is a [Road or Sidewalk Assessment](#) part of your 2025 plan? [Contact Tanner](#) to learn more and get a no-obligation quote for a high-quality service with LAS partner Streetscan. Get better data to make better decisions.

According to the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security, [ransomware is the most disruptive form of cybercrime](#) currently impacting North America. These cyber-attacks not only disrupt services but can also lead to significant financial losses and an erosion of public trust.

## **Municipal Wire\***

Enbridge Gas' Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) webinars will provide an overview of what IRP is, their system planning process, stakeholder engagement process and the latest on their pilot project. Register [region](#).

Add this new Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority '[Where to Recycle](#)' map to your municipalities' websites and communications materials. Get answers to your questions at this [FAQ](#).

The *Wrapped in Courage* [campaign](#) from the Ontario Association of Interval & Transition Houses educates community and elected officials about violence against women and the services needed. Make a proclamation on November 25.

[HSC's 2025 Regeneration Forum: Levelling Up - New Approaches to Transform Housing](#) is showcasing strategies to sustain and grow the community housing sector. Dive into finance, scale, and development on February 27-28 in Toronto.

Expanding Living Options for Seniors will be held virtually on November 22 from 8:45 am - 2:30 pm. The event shares transformative solutions in seniors' supportive housing and care. Register [here](#).

## **Careers and RFPs**

[Request for Proposals for the provision of Assertive Street Outreach Services - County of Simcoe](#).

Closing Date: December 16, 2024.

[Director of Operations and Development - Town of Tillsonburg](#). Closing Date: November 29, 2024.

[Foreperson, District Parks - City of Brampton](#). Closing Date: November 25, 2024

[Town Manager/Clerk - Township of Black River-Matheson](#). Closing Date: November 30, 2024.

[Director of Public Services - Township of Black River-Matheson](#). Closing Date: November 30, 2024.

[Treasurer - Township of Black River-Matheson](#). Closing Date: November 30, 2024.

[Senior Project Manager - Ministry of Transportation](#). Closing Date: December 10, 2024.

[Director of Public Works - Oxford County](#). Closing Date: December 15, 2024.

[Manager of Public Works - Township of Lanark Highlands](#). Closing Date: November 29, 2024.

[Public Works Operations Supervisor - Township of Lanark Highlands](#). Closing Date: November 29, 2024.

[Waste Collection Program Co-Ordinator - City of Greater Sudbury](#). Closing Date: December 10, 2024.

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