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### **AMO Matters**

On April 19 at 1pm, Conservation Ontario and AMO are hosting a [joint webinar](#) that will provide information regarding implementation of the changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

Municipal elected officials and staff are [invited to AMO's webinar](#), April 17, on regional energy planning, featuring the Ontario Energy Board and utilities.

The [Call for Nominations for the 2023 Ontario Small Urban Municipalities \(OSUM\) Executive Committee](#) is open. Those interested in running for the OSUM election are required to fill out the [nomination form](#) by 4 pm April 14.

The [PJ Marshall Award](#) recognizes municipal governments demonstrating excellence in the use of innovative approaches in the areas of capital, service delivery show

casing examples where Ontario municipalities have implemented and can point to tangible outcomes from new, more cost-effective ways of providing public services and facilities. The deadline to submit is May 26.

### **Provincial Matters**

The MNRF updated an [ERO proposal to a regulation](#) under the *Public Lands Act* on the use of floating accommodations. Comments due by April 11.

Applications for the [2023-24 Inclusive Community Grants](#) are open until April 20. Municipalities and other organizations can apply for up to \$60,000 for projects that help older residents and people with disabilities participate in community life.

Public Safety Answering Points will be notified on applications for NG-911 transition funding for 2022-2023. The funding program has been implemented to help support the transition CRTC deadline of March 4, 2025. For information contact [ESTD.NG9-1-1@ontario.ca](mailto:ESTD.NG9-1-1@ontario.ca).

There are between 1500-2000 summer student positions at Ontario Parks across the province. Municipalities may share [opportunities](#) with students in their communities. Students can contact [ontarioparksjobs@ontario.ca](mailto:ontarioparksjobs@ontario.ca) with any questions.

### **Federal Matters**

Local governments are eligible to apply to the Housing Accelerator Fund. [Register for webinars](#) happening April 6 and 13 for information on program and funding details, expected outcomes, and resources for applying.

The Drainage Superintendents Association of Ontario and AMO have prepared a [template letter](#) for Councils to send to the Minister of Transport. Councils are also encouraged to support [Warwick's resolution](#).

### **Eye on Events**

*Springtime in Paris* is hosted by the County of Brant, April 26 - 28, inviting municipal leaders from small urban municipalities to this important event. [Register](#) for the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities Conference and view the program [here](#).

AMO understands action is required and is holding an [Ending Homelessness Symposium](#) May 3-4. This important event will offer perspectives on the root causes of homelessness including income insecurity, insufficient supply of deeply affordable housing, insufficient responses to mental health and addictions challenges and the policy responses required. The one and a half-day event is open to elected officials; municipal staff; social, health, and economic partners; and all interested sector associations. [Register today](#) - space is limited.

AMO is excited about this year's Conference hosted by the City of London at RBC Place London and DoubleTree by Hilton, August 20-23. [Register](#) now for this important event.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to exhibit or sponsor at the 2023 AMO Conference - the largest municipal conference in Ontario. Full details on how your organization can participate is located here [here](#).

AMO's Foundations in Planning and Deeper Dive training prepares elected officials in understanding planning concepts and requirements as well making strategic decisions on the complex issues you will face over the coming term. Register [here](#) and [here](#).

AMO has designed its training to support members in your leadership roles. Our training offers skills to navigate the many relationships you encounter as an elected official. [Navigating Conflict Relationships for Elected Officials](#) is a top-rated course you shouldn't miss. New dates available for our [Human Rights & Equity](#) training offering insights, understanding and skills to support your role as an employer in these complex areas.

## **LAS**

LAS is pleased to announce a [new program](#) designed to help municipalities manage cyber incidents in today's ever changing IT environment. LAS is partnering with ISA Cybersecurity.

Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) goals have become common when talking about sustainable organizations. Canoe and CivicInfoBC are hosting a webinar on April 27 @ 1PM EST focused on ESG goals and how they relate to local governments. [Register here](#) for this informative discussion.

Putting a price on carbon pollution is widely recognized as the most efficient means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while also driving innovation. Our [latest blog](#) helps to understand how carbon pricing is broken down.

Check out this [case study](#) featuring the Town of Essex who use the [LAS Road & Sidewalk program](#) to survey and manage their streets. Are you in need of a road needs study this year? [Contact Tanner](#) to learn how this program will work in your community.

Hastings County's Belleville Seniors Apartment recently took advantage of LAS' [Facility Lighting Service](#). The project was a huge success saving the County thousands of dollars in monthly energy bills and collecting IESO incentives close to 10% of project cost. Interested in finding out more? Contact [Christian Tham](#) for a free lighting proposal.

The Town of Whitby recently offered their staff an [LAS Energy Training workshop](#) with a focus on net zero emissions. Their energy treasure hunt revealed thousands of dollars in potential savings opportunities. Contact [Christian Tham](#) to find out how you can uncover hidden treasure in your buildings.

Join us on [April 20](#) for an informative webinar featuring the [LAS Road and Sidewalk Assessment Service](#). Learn about NEW program features including gravel road assessments, streetview imagery, and updates to the Streetlogix software.

Canoe's Survey Equipment category now includes [Spatial Technologies \(2017\)](#), a provider of geospatial measurement and survey equipment. A great way to replenish your survey team's supplies. [Contact Simon](#) to learn more.

## **Municipal Wire\***

Registration now open for [ORFA's Spring 2023 Professional Development Program](#), May 1-5. Take advantage of sessions on emerging issues, trends, and challenges, training courses, and a recreation industry focused tradeshow. Join in-person or connect virtually!

Canada's premier [Cycling Planning and Policy](#) conference will run April 30 to May 2 in [Hamilton](#), Ontario. Early [registration](#) ends March 31.

## Careers

Director of Planning & Development - Township of Tiny. Responsible to plan, direct and lead the Planning & Development Department operation. Visit [www.tiny.ca](http://www.tiny.ca) for a detailed job description. Apply by 12 noon on April 11.

Manager, Rewards and Recognition - City of London. Leads programs, initiatives and projects including pensions, benefits, compensation, and recognition programs, job analysis, and organizational design. Apply on-line by April 24.

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AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](https://twitter.com/AMOPolicy) on Twitter!

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