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- AMO survey: Mapping Diverse Experiences Running for Municipal Office.
- Renewal of Ontario Invasive Species Strategic Plan.
- Community Emergency Preparedness Grant.
- Volunteer firefighter recruitment and retention.
- New! Advanced training for AMO members in 2024.
- ROMA 2024 Conference: *Closer to Home* programming.
- Still time to register: Understanding Competing Human Rights, Dec. 12.
- Save the date: OSUM 2024 Conference.
- Thinking road needs study in 2024? Contact LAS.
- SaveOnEnergy Energy Management and Efficient Electrification webinars.
- Canoe Fall webinar: Uncrewed Vehicles (Drones - that is!).
- Municipal climate internship recruitment.
- Must attend: ORFA's Outdoor Ice Symposium.
- Data Standards for Planning and Development Applications: Terminology.
- Fleming College seeking municipal partnership projects.
- Careers: MOECP, Brampton, DNSSAB and London.

### **AMO Matters**

Have you run for municipal office, or considered running for municipal office in Ontario? Do you consider yourself to be from an equity-deserving community? If so, we would love to hear from you! [By filling out this short survey](#), you will help AMO improve our understanding of diverse candidates running for office in Ontario, informing how we create new programs, resources, and advocacy strategies.

### **Provincial Matters**

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is [seeking feedback](#) on the proposed renewal of the Ontario Invasive Species Strategic Plan.

Ontario has announced \$5 million through an application-based program to help increase emergency preparedness. Municipalities under 100,000 are eligible to apply. [Applications are due November 30.](#)

The Ontario Fire Marshal is conducting an [online survey](#) for volunteer firefighters and fire chiefs to inform their understanding on recruiting and retaining volunteer firefighters.

### **Education Opportunities**

AMO Education has significantly expanded our training suite to meet your evolving needs. Our training is specifically designed for municipally elected officials to advance your leadership and service delivery skills. View the current slate of opportunities [here](#), and mark your calendars. Registration will be opened soon.

The ROMA 2024 Conference program will address important issues facing rural municipalities in Ontario, including homelessness, access to services, and food security. [View the program outline](#) and [register today](#).

AMO and Hicks Morley have developed training to support municipal elected officials and council in understanding their obligations related to human rights and understanding how to manage seemingly competing human rights. You can register for this important training [here](#).

Mark April 30 - May 2 in your calendar for the OSUM 2024 Conference in Orillia. Check back [here](#) as details are confirmed.

## **LAS**

The [LAS Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#) offers high-accuracy road needs studies for an affordable price. Get better data to help make better decisions, saving time and improving service levels. [Contact Tanner](#) for a quote to include in your 2024 budget.

The final webinar of our [LAS/Canoe Procurement Group](#) Fall series will not disappoint! Join us on December 7 as we hear from Aerospace and Deep Trekker, two vendors in the new Uncrewed Vehicles category - [register here today](#).

SaveOnEnergy is offering free training webinars for municipal energy/facility managers and directors. Learn how to integrate energy management principles, identify savings, and reduce cost in your municipal facilities. [Register today](#).

## **Municipal Wire\***

Environmental Leadership Canada is recruiting environmental leaders (aged 18-30) for a Municipal Climate Internship in eastern Ontario with Lanark, Frontenac, and Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry. [Applications are due December 12, 2023](#).

ORFA's [Outdoor Ice Symposium](#) is a two-day event (January 23-24, 2024) focused on the opportunities and challenges of offering outdoor ice-skating experiences for communities. [Register](#) to join them in-person at The Bentway, Toronto or connect virtually!

The Digital Governance Standards Institute has opened public review on [terminology](#) that will be used to establish consistency in data requirements for planning and development applications in Ontario.

[Fleming College](#) is seeking municipal environmental land-use planning and management projects to be implemented by students in the [Environmental Land Management](#) program. Contact [Emily Markovic](#) to discuss partnership opportunities.

## **Careers**

[Director, Environmental Permissions - Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks](#). Closing date: December 5.

[City Clerk - City of Brampton](#). Closing date: December 22 @11:59 pm.

[Chief Administrative Officer - District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board \(DNSSAB\)](#). Closing date: January 9, 2024, 4:30 pm.

[Director, Life Stabilization City of London](#) Closing date: December 12.

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