



E-BRIEF for NWT local community governments

Executive Director attending ICSP Workshop in Fort Simpson, January 20 & 21, 2009

I will be attending an upcoming Strategic Planning Workshop in Fort Simpson, January 20-21, 2009. The workshops are facilitated in partnership by the NWT Association of Communities and Municipal and Community Affairs as part of the requirements for communities to develop Integrated Community Sustainability Plans by March 31, 2010 (as mandated under the Federal Gas Tax Agreement). I hope to gain more knowledge about the requirements and more information/training with respect to a recently purchased ICSP software Toolkit in order to provide further assistance to member communities while they develop their plans. ICSP's in the NWT include Capital Investment, Human Resources, Energy and Governance. For more information on Regional Strategic Planning Workshops, please contact your regional MACA Training and Development Coordinator or visit: www.nwtac.com.

LGANT Website Undergoing Redevelopment

An Expression of Interest was recently sent to website developers in the Northwest Territories on December 11, 2008. I anticipate receiving proposals in the coming weeks, by January 16, 2009 (deadline), and will begin development of the new website thereafter. Members are reminded that they can still provide any thoughts and ideas for the new website by emailing briand@lgant.com.

LGANT Board Meeting

An LGANT Board Meeting is being planned for early February, 2009. If you have any issues or concerns that you would like addressed at the meeting, please feel free to contact me at 765-5630 or briand@lgant.com.

Sincerely,

Brian Desjardins
Executive Director

January 12, 2009



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Contact: briand@lgant.com



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NEWS FROM THE NWT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(*click on the subject lines for more information):



[GNWT Ministers Promote Federal Investment in the NWT](#)

R(16)131 - Monday, January 12, 2009

A federal Budget that invests in the Northwest Territories (NWT) economy will benefit Canada as a whole, that is the message that Minister of Industry, Tourism and Investment Bob McLeod and Minister of Environment and Natural Resources Michael J Miltenberger will deliver to the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) today.

[2009 NWT Outstanding Volunteer Awards Nominations](#)

R(16)130 - Friday, January 09, 2009

The opening of the nomination process for the 2009 Northwest Territories (NWT) Outstanding Volunteer Awards was announced today by the Honourable Robert C. McLeod, Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs (MACA).

[Federal / Territorial Meeting on Infrastructure will Benefit Northerners](#)

R(16)129 - Wednesday, January 07, 2009

Federal / Territorial meetings on infrastructure, held on January 6, have set the stage for accelerated action to deal with important infrastructure priorities in the Northwest Territories (NWT), to the benefit of NWT residents and all Canadians. To support the priorities of the 16th Assembly, Premier Floyd Roland and the Honourable Michael McLeod, Minister Responsible for Infrastructure, continued their lobbying of the federal government for investment in key northern infrastructure projects.

[Premier Roland outlines the NWT's Priorities for the Federal Budget](#)

R(16)128 - Wednesday, January 07, 2009

Ahead of this month's First Ministers Meeting on the economy and the 2009 federal budget, Premier Roland has outlined the Northwest Territories' (NWT) immediate priorities for federal investment. It includes investment in transportation infrastructure to foster development in the North, investment in social housing and continued investment in key economic sectors of the territory through an extension of the SINED program pending the establishment of a permanent economic development agency in the North.

[2009 Get Active NWT Campaign Launched](#)

R(16)127 - Wednesday, January 07, 2009

The launch of the 2009 Get Active Northwest Territories (NWT) Campaign, was announced today by the Honourable Robert C. McLeod, Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs.

School of Community of Government Upcoming Training

Land Administration

Contracts & Property Law

February 26–March 4, 2009

Hay River Reserve

Infrastructure Maintenance (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078)

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Airports (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078) Airport Winter Maintenance February 7-16, 2009	Hay River
Management & Finances (Call Carol Beck 920-6167) SAO Essentials Workshop January 27-29, 2009 Capital Planning Workshop March 2-6, 2008	Yellowknife Fort Smith
Recreation Facility Operations (Call Ed Hardy 873-7919) Pools Level 1 February 10-11, 2009	Fort Smith
Waste & Water Class II Water Treatment February 16-20, 2009	Norman Wells

[Full 2008-2009 School of Community Government Calendar](#)

NEWS FROM MUNICIPAL AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Local Authorities Elections Act Discussion Paper

We invite you to read the [Discussion Paper](#) and [send us your comments and ideas](#) on possible changes to the LAEA by February 28, 2009.

Community Government Human Resource Development System

If you have any comments or questions about the CGHRDS please contact your Regional Officer or the School of Community Government.

[CGHRDS Manual](#) 5.52 MB

New Emergency Planning Tool for Communities

[Template](#)

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[Instruction Manual](#)

For more information, please contact your [MACA Regional Office](#)

Training Services Fund for Community Governments Policy

<http://www.maca.gov.nt.ca/resources/policies>

2008 NWT Alberta Centennial Scholarship: Support for Community Government Occupational Certification

[Read more...](#)

NEWS FROM NWT ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITIES

President Van Tighem joins call for infrastructure spending NWT Association of Communities

President Gordon Van Tighem was a member of the NWT delegation which met with Federal Infrastructure Minister John Baird in Ottawa this week. Officials from all three territories took part in the meeting on Jan. 6 which saw a call for accelerating Federal spending on community and territorial infrastructure. President Van Tighem outlined how projects in the North purchase from the South thereby contributing to national economic recovery and explained that all Communities had projects ready that would generate employment, reduce cost of living and improve quality of life. "I also encouraged them to use a 'Gas Tax - like' format to keep the process simple and that we were all looking forward to the promised reduction of red tape," said President Van Tighem. The NWT delegation was lead by Premier Floyd Roland and included Honourable Robert C. McLeod, Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs, and the



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[NWTAC Community E-News Flash for January 8, 2009](#)

Regional Strategic Planning Workshops

Overall, the workshop evaluations indicated the workshops increased the knowledge of ICSPs and was informative for SAO's and councilors on the ICSP Toolkit and how it can be used in the development of their ICSP. The Regional Strategic Planning Workshops will be provided in all regions continuing in January through February of 2009. For more information on Regional Strategic Planning Workshops please contact your regional MACA Training and Development Coordinator through the regional office.

January 13-14	Inuvik
January 20-21	Fort Simpson
January 27-28	Sahtu
February 3-4	Yellowknife

OTHER NEWS FOR YOU

Arctic Energy Alliance—[E-News, January 7, 2009](#)

AEA 2007-08 Annual Report

A PDF version of the Arctic Energy Alliance's 2007-08 Annual Report is available on our web site. Printed copies are also available in our office.

[Go To Annual Report](#)

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Standards for New Houses and Buildings [Go To Toolkit](#)

UPCOMING 2009 EVENTS

SAO Essentials Workshop from January 27-29, 2009, Yellowknife

The School of Community Government (SCG), is delivering the 3 day **SAO Essentials Workshop** from January 27-29, 2009 in Yellowknife. John McKee, SAO, Fort Liard and Annette Hastie, Training and Development Coordinator, Inuvik, School of Community Government will be delivering this workshop. **This workshop has been designed to provide an overview of the role of the Senior Administrative Officer in the NWT, in addition to discussions regarding Best Practices.**

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NWT Association of Communities AGM & Conference, May 21-24, Inuvik

www.nwtac.com

Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators Conference, June 1-3, Whistler, BC

www.camacam.ca

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference & Municipal Expo, June 5-8, Whistler, BC

www.fcm.ca

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) 3rd National New Profes-

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) 3rd National New Professionals Conference, October 26-28, 2009, Halifax

The conference is a partnership between IPAC National, IPAC Nova Scotia, Nova Scotia Federal Council, Youth Connect Nova Scotia (the youth network within the Government of Canada's offices in Nova Scotia), GoverNEXT (the Government of Nova Scotia's new professionals network), the Province of Nova Scotia, Halifax Regional Municipality, Fusion Halifax and students from Dalhousie University's School of Public Administration. This prestigious national conference is being organized by a dedicated and enthusiastic group of new professionals representing these organizations. The conference theme is "Winds of Change: New Style and Energy Building on the Strengths of Today". The conference is intended to explore topics of interest to new professionals in the public sector and how the expectations of the new generations entering the public sector will lead public sector organizations to adopt new ways of working, communicating, and delivering programs and services. As such the conference will explore four areas under the theme: *Creativity and Innovation in the Public Sector, Public Engagement, The Use and Role of Technology in a Modern Public Sector and Sustainability and the "Greening" of the Public Sector*. We appreciate your consideration of this request. More information can be found by visiting the conference web site at www.ipac.ca/newprofessionalsconferencehalifax09.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Industry, Tourism & Investment Seed Funding—[Planting Seeds for Small Business and Small Community Development](#) — [The SEED Policy](#) contains programs that are geared to provide basic contributions for starting out your business or improving capacity or skills or helping small communities to economically expand. The SEED Program has five categories, and multiple elements to each.

GNWT's Energy Efficiency Incentive Program—The EcoAUTO rebate was phased out by the federal government as of December 31, 2008. The Government of the NWT's Energy Efficiency Incentive Program (EEIP) will continue to match the federal government rebate on qualifying 2008 model year vehicles purchased on or before December 31, 2008 - but applications must be received by March 31, 2009.

[Go To EEIP Guidelines & Application Form](#)
[Go To EcoAUTO Web Site](#)

GNWT's Health Promotion Strategy Fund— As part of an on-going commitment to community-based health promotion initiatives, the Department has created a Health Promotion Strategy Fund. This fund is meant to assist communities working on tobacco harm reduction and cessation, active living, healthy pregnancies and injury prevention. Non-profit organizations who have health promotion ideas are encouraged to apply. More details on this fund, including the application form and funding requirements are available by [clicking here](#) or by contacting: www.hlthss.gov.nt.ca/english/services/health_promotion/health_promotion_strategy_fund.htm

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The Local Government Administrators of the Northwest Territories (LGANT) is a professional organization comprised of senior administrative staff of community governments in the Northwest Territories. The Mission of LGANT is to strive for and promote excellence and professionalism in the field of local government administration in the Northwest Territories through education and career development programs and to create awareness of the Community Officer's role in the community.

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