



E-BRIEF for NWT local community governments

2008 LGANT Annual General Meeting & Professional Development Conference

October 28–30, 2008, Yellowknife

October 3, 2008

Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for the upcoming conference. Registration fee is \$50.00 Members or \$100.00 non-Members. Please fill out the [registration form](#) to confirm your attendance.



Draft Agenda Available

The [Draft Agenda](#) is "subject to change" but will give you a snap-shot of the many professional development meetings, sessions, and workshops scheduled for October 28-30th.

Travel Assistance is Available

[Travel assistance](#) is available for members to attend the AGM & Professional Development (one person per local community government only). Travel assistance includes air and/or road travel and 3 nights maximum accommodations.

New Partnership (Sponsor) Program

The conference is an important fundraiser for LGANT so we hope that we have your financial and/or in-kind support to achieve a successful event. [Partnership Opportunities](#).

Air Travel

First Air is pleased to offer discounted fares from Hay River, Inuvik, Fort Simpson and Holman to Yellowknife for the Local Government Administrators of the NWT (LGANT) Annual General Meeting being held in Yellowknife October 28-30th, 2008. For reservations, passengers must quote the conference number **CF0809330** by phone to a customer service agent in order to obtain the discounted rate. All bookings can be made through our Reservations Department at 1-800-267-1247.

[Details of the discounted fares and booking:](#) Hay River, Inuvik, Fort Simpson, and Holman to Yellowknife Q fare minus 35%. The ticket is valid for travel from October 25 to November 2, 2008.

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www.maca.gov.nt.ca

[MACA's Community Government Toolkit](#)

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Hotel Partners

Special rate of \$140.00 per night is being offered at Chateau Nova. When booking please indicate LGANT with the block code #5630.

Chateau Nova Hotel & Suites

Phone: 867-873-9700 / Fax: 867-873-9702

PSAB Information for Download

Learn more about the mandated new capital assets reporting requirements in Section 3150 of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountant's Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB).

- * [Guide To Accounting For and Reporting Tangible Capital Assets](#)
- * [Reference Manual Tangible Capital Assets \(Manitoba\)](#)
- * [PSAB Implementation Guide -OMBI](#)

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[08-09 Program Calendar](#)

NWT Association of Communities

www.nwtac.com

AGM On-line:

www.lgant.com

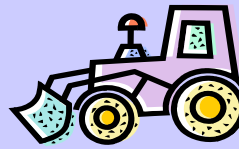
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NEW!**

Classifieds for local Community Governments in the NWT.

Are you wanting to sell and/or buy equipment or other items of interest?

Use this section of the E-Brief's and website to advertise.

Absolutely free for members! Contact: briand@lgant.com



NEWS FROM THE NWT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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

[Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Review and Action Plan](#)

R(16)096 - Monday, September 29, 2008

Results of the Northwest Territories Review of the Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Program are now available to the public.



School of Community of Government Upcoming Training

NWT Fire Service Instructor and Evaluator Training (Call Ed Hardy 873-7919)
NFPA 1041 Level 1, Part 2 January 12-16, 2009 Hay River

Land Administration
Contracts & Property Law February 26–March 4, 2009 Hay River Reserve

Infrastructure Maintenance (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078)
Building Operations October 21-30, 2008 Inuvik
Works Supervision & Main Mgmt. January 20-26, 2009 Norman Wells

Airports (Call Ralph Sanquez 874-5078)
Airports Management November 15-23, 2008 Yellowknife
Airport Winter Maintenance February 7-16, 2009 Hay River

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Management & Finances (Call Carol Beck 920-6167)		
Municipal Law 2	October 21-28, 2008	Yellowknife
SAO Land Management	November 25-27, 2008	Yellowknife
Accounting Cycle 2	December 2-9, 2008	Yellowknife
SAO Essentials Workshop	January 27-29, 2009	Yellowknife
Capital Planning Workshop	March 2-6, 2008	Fort Smith

Recreation Facility Operations (Call Ed Hardy 873-7919)		
Ice Resurfacers	October 4-5, 2008	Fort Smith
Pools Level 1	February 10-11, 2009	Fort Smith

Waste & Water		
Solid Waste Management	October 7-8, 2008	Yellowknife
Small Systems Water Treatment	November 17-21, 2008	Norman Wells
Class II Water Treatment	February 16-20, 2009	Norman Wells

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

NEWS FROM NWT ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITIES



[October 2, 2008 NWTAC Election E-News Flash](#)

There is growing uncertainty about the economy and when more and more people worry about the security of their future, they look for certainty and support where they live - in their communities. While national and international economic and political issues can capture headlines, local issues - water quality, the condition of bridges and roads, affordable housing - matter to Northerners. Across Canada, communities are struggling to cope with a massive \$123 billion and growing municipal infrastructure deficit, an issue that also looms large here in the Northwest Territories, where the municipal infrastructure deficit could be over \$360 million. Residents of Northern communities want a Federal Government that is committed equally to all regions of the country and need clear commitments and a cooperative partnership that Territorial and Federal Governments will work with Community Governments to improve the quality of life for our residents. Because of the importance of community issues, the NWT Association of Communities posed four questions to the five candidates running in the October 14, 2008 Federal Election to see where they and their parties stand on the issues. We're releasing answers to the first two questions today and the second two questions on October 9.

[Read More](#)

NWT Community needs should be a focus for debate during federal election

(September 8, 2008, Yellowknife, NT) - Infrastructure needs of Northwest Territories Communities should be one of the main issues for candidates running in the Oct. 14 Federal Election, says Gordon Van Tighem, President of the NWT Association of Communities (NWTAC).

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OTHER NEWS FOR YOU

Water Resources Management Strategy Discussion Paper

[Northern Voices, Northern Waters: Towards a Water Resources Management Strategy](#)

for the NWT discussion paper and summary presents a sense of what some of the concerns and issues are and what the future management of NWT waters could be. A Strategy could outline a vision and principles and define actions that could be undertaken to tackle resource management issues. Consultations with Aboriginal govern

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Arctic Energy Alliance E-News, October 1, 2008

[Headlines from the October 1, 2008 Arctic Energy Alliance E-News:](#)

- AEA's Residential Energy Advisors to visit Dehcho, South Slave & Sahtu
- NWT Housing Corp's new solar hot water heating in Ft. Providence
- A.D. Williams Engineering Inc. goes carbon neutral!
- How many heating dollars are leaking out of the home pictured below?

Northern Energy Professionals Meeting, October 21, Yellowknife

The Arctic Energy Alliance is organizing this meeting to bring together professionals who are working to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy in the northern and remote regions of Canada. Most participants are expected to come from the three northern territories, but some professionals working in northern or remote parts of the provinces have also expressed interest. The goal is to compare approaches to program delivery, share experiences and learn from each other.

[Schedule and Invitation](#) [Registration Form](#)

Introduction to Community Energy Planning - October 22, 2008

The Arctic Energy Alliance has developed a "plain language" toolkit for Community Energy Planning (CEP) in northern and remote communities. This one-day course has been developed to provide an overview of the CEP process for community leaders. Participants will work together to produce a community energy plan for a "typical" northern community. Andrew Robinson and Dean Green, who have been facilitating community energy planning in NWT communities for the last four years, will teach the course. [Registration Form](#)

Aboriginal Business Conference in Yellowknife October 14-16 2008.

Please use the link below to register, or to gather more information. The earlybird registration is some time in September. <http://www.denendeh.ca/eec/2008Conference/tabid/120/Default.aspx>.

For more information, you may also contact: Josephine Mackenzie ph:(867) 766-8452 fax:(867) 766-8457 [email:mackenziej@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:mackenziej@inac-ainc.gc.ca)

National Conference and Policy Forum on Water Efficiency and Conservation, November 2 - 5, 2008 Waterloo, ON

The event will provide an opportunity to report on and learn about water efficiency and conservation programs, issues and initiatives from across Canada and elsewhere. Conference sessions will cover all aspects of municipal efficiency programs from technology, to best management practices, to policy and education.

For more information: http://www.cwwa.ca/2ndwater_efficiency_e.asp

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

GNWT Grants and Contributions Guide— [Grants and Contributions Guide 2007](#)

(April 2007). A guide to a compilation of information for ongoing grants and contributions offered by the Government of the Northwest Territories.

International Polar Year (IPY) Requesting Funding Proposals—*Deadline, October 30, 2008*.

The Government of Canada Program for International Polar Year (IPY) is currently requesting funding proposals from existing northern research facilities, emergency preparedness and response (EPR) and search and rescue (SAR) organizations. This request for proposals is intended to improve and maintain northern research facilities for future Arctic science activities, and for EPR and SAR initiatives that will leave a lasting legacy in the North. The Government of Canada's program for IPY is providing funding for renovations and upgrades to northern research facilities and to improve emergency communication and training in northern EPR and SAR. The total funding available for this request is \$ 3.2 million dollars with 75%

ties and to improve emergency communication and training in northern EPR and SAR. The total funding available for this request is \$ 3.2 million dollars with 75% (\$2.4 Million) available for northern research facilities and 25% (\$0.8 Million) available for EPR and SAR organizations. If you have any questions or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Katherine Wilson at (819) 934-5623 or by e-mail to wilsonk@ainc-inac.gc.ca.

Transportation dollars—*Deadline, November 3, 2008*. The [Federation of Canadian Municipalities](#) (FCM) accepts applications for [Green Municipal Fund](#) loans and grants for capital projects that facilitate shifts to sustainable modes of transportation. FCM will award up to \$10 million in low-interest loans and \$1.5 million in grants. Eligible applicants can request up to \$2 million in loans and \$400,000 in grants for each project. Applications due 3 November. **Application guidelines available on the (FCM) website at www.sustainablecommunities.ca**

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