

TO: Mayors, Wardens, Councillors and CAOs, All Units

FROM: Debbie Nielsen, Infrastructure & Sustainability Officer, UNSM

RE: ASSET MANAGEMENT WEBINAR: AN UPDATE ON THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA'S PILOT PROJECT

DATE: Friday, December 8 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for an update on the Province of Nova Scotia's *Asset Management Pilot Project* and learn how the tools and methodology developed thus far can support your municipality's infrastructure planning efforts!

The Department of Municipal Affairs (DMA) is developing a province-wide approach to support municipalities with asset management planning. One important initiative it launched this spring is the *Asset Management Pilot Project*. Through the *Pilot Project*, DMA is testing templates and data collection and condition assessment tools with five municipalities (these include the towns of Mahone Bay, Port Hawkesbury, Shelburne and Lockeport, and the District of Argyle) to help them with the first phases of creating an asset inventory. Ultimately, this initiative will support the development of a standardized methodology for collecting data and assessing the condition of linear assets, which will be shared with all municipalities.

The webinar will provide an overview of the methodology and tools that have been developed thus far for the *Pilot Project*. This information will give you insight into how your municipality might begin collecting infrastructure data and assessing the conditions of your infrastructure - both fundamental processes to asset management planning. During this 1-hour session, you will also learn about options under FCM's *Municipal Asset Management Program* to fund some of this work.

There is no charge for the webinar but we ask that you register by Wednesday, December 6 to let us know you plan to attend. We will then forward you the required information to connect to both the audio and visual components of the webinar. To register or for further information, please contact Debbie Nielsen at UNSM (dnielsen@unsm.ca or 902 423-8312).

Webinar Facilitator:

Matt Delorme, HATCH (www.hatch.ca): Matt is a civil engineer with 18 years experience and currently the project manager for the Province of Nova Scotia's *Asset Management Pilot Project*. He was also the project manager for the Town of Annapolis Royal's condition assessment project (2015- 2016), for which he developed a condition assessment system for the Town's linear assets.

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