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Provincial Matters

The Government of Ontario has released a [consultation paper](#) for public comment on potential regulations to implement *Rowan's Law (Concussion Safety) Act*. The submission deadline is May 7, 2018.

Federal Matters

Municipalities invested \$1.3 billion from the federal Gas Tax Fund to grow our economy, improve the environment and strengthen communities. Learn more in [AMO's federal Gas Tax Fund Outcomes Report](#).

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is offering [climate change staff grants](#) for Canadian municipalities with populations of 150,000 or less, providing up to \$125,000 over two years to supplement the salary of a new or existing municipal employee who will work on initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions or improve adaptation to local climate change impacts. Applications are accepted until June 29, 2018.

Eye on Events

Nik Nanos to speak at AMO AGM and Annual Conference (August 19-22, 2018 in Ottawa). Join him as he addresses what the polls are saying for municipal election priorities. Find out what else is on the [program](#), and register today.

Only 35 spots left in the AMO Annual Conference Trade Show. Are you a municipal supplier or vendor? Do you have a product or service that would benefit the municipal sector? Then register today for the AMO Annual Conference Exhibit Hall. One of the largest municipal trade shows in Canada - with the show floor at 70% sold or on hold - don't miss out, [register today](#).

Municipal governments in Ontario try different ways to manage social media platforms. Join us for a deep dive into 3 different models of social media management - a larger municipality that is managing dozens of social media accounts, a mid-sized municipality experimenting with greater staff access to improve engagement, and a smaller, rural government that is managing social media with little staff and fewer resources. [Register today](#) for this hour long webinar on April 18, 12 - 1 p.m.

The wise use of energy in a community is a municipal responsibility. Conservation and Demand Management (CDM) Planning is the key tool to achieving this goal. Join the CDM webinar April 30, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and hear municipal and government experiences on how to succeed in energy planning for your community. [Register for this free webinar](#) today.

The first of LAS' 2018 Town Hall sessions is just around the corner. Join us in Ingersoll on Friday April

13th to learn about programs and services aimed at Ontario municipalities and their residents. For registration and details, visit the [LAS Town Hall webpage](#).

LAS

April 1st brought with it some laughter and Tom Foolery. It also brought rate changes to utility Natural Gas rates in Ontario. [See the new rates](#) from each utility and what impact they may have on your budget.

Government and BPS procurement regulations in Canada have changed. On July 1, 2017, the Canadian Free Trade Agreement came into effect. Join LAS on **Tuesday April 24 at 11:00 a.m.** to explore the ramifications on municipal procurement. [Register today](#) for this **FREE** webinar.

Careers

[Roads Superintendent - Madoc Township](#). Status: Full Time. A complete job description is available at [Madoc Township](#). Please submit a cover letter and resume in confidence by 4 p.m., Friday, April 13, 2018, quoting "Roads Superintendent", to the attention of: Cassandra Boniface, Clerk-Treasurer, P.O. Box 503, 15651 Hwy 62, Madoc, ON K0K 2K0. Phone: 613.476.2677 ext. 202; Email: clerk@madoc.ca.

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