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PEMAC selected to work with municipalities across Canada to help them gain asset management knowledge

MISSISSAUGA, January 23, 2020 – PEMAC is pleased to announce it has been selected to work with municipalities in their efforts to improve infrastructure decisions through stronger asset management practices.

PEMAC is one of the 18 partner organizations from across the country selected by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) to deliver asset management training activities, including group learning and hands-on training, accessible to Canadian communities of all sizes.

These activities will help municipal staff and elected officials gain asset management knowledge and skills to support better infrastructure investment decisions.

Municipalities across the country face a mounting pressure to balance competing priorities –including new and existing infrastructure – on limited budgets. Strong asset management ensures local leaders are making decisions based on the best information available.

The <u>announcement</u> was made earlier today by the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities and Bill Karsten, President of FCM.

PEMAC will offer its Asset Management Professional certification program to cross-functional municipal teams. This six-course program leads to a Certified Asset Management Professional designation. There will also be opportunities for participants to take the first course in the program, focused on asset management principles and strategic development, which will be offered face to face at locations across Canada. To support these efforts, PEMAC will be developing a video and presentation template that program participants can use to engage their senior municipal staff on asset management.

"PEMAC, in partnership with Northern Lakes College, is pleased to offer the Asset Management Professional (AMP) education program to professionals responsible for asset management strategy from municipalities across Canada. Practitioners will have access to the latest in strategic asset management thinking, gain insight into asset management essentials in the context of ISO 5500x, all while developing the capacity to engage others and build their knowledge and skills," shares Cindy Snedden, executive director, PEMAC.

Funding for this initiative is provided through FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP), an eightyear, \$110-million program, delivered through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada.





Related information:

FCM's <u>Municipal Asset Management Program</u> PEMAC's <u>AMP for Cross-Functional Municipal Teams</u>

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