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# The Weekly Policy Bulletin

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## Information

### Builders' Lien Act Letter

SARM has received a response from the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Justice and Attorney General & Ministry of SaskBuilds and Procurement advising that on March 1, 2022, *The Builders' Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act, 2019* will be proclaimed into force. Review the correspondence below.



### Beef Cow Rations and Winter Feeding Guidelines

In October, 2021 the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Agriculture released an article on Beef Cow Rations and Winter Feeding Guidelines. Saskatchewan winters can be a challenging experience, especially when it comes to feeding beef cattle. To learn more on rationing and winter feeding for the upcoming Saskatchewan winter, click the link below.



## Resources

### New ICIP Application Intake Open for Community, Culture & Recreation Projects

A new detailed application intake process was launched by the Government of Saskatchewan under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) for community, culture and recreation projects.

This latest intake has two phases:

- Phase 1 is now open and closes on January 11, 2022. This is for projects at the “shovel-ready” stage. These submitted projects will also be considered in the second intake phase.
- Phase 2 is also now open and closes May 10, 2022. This is for more complex projects needing extra time to complete applications.

To read the full eligibility requirements and to begin the online application process, visit: *[Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program \(ICIP\) | Funding for Municipalities | Government of Saskatchewan](#)*.

Previously unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to submit eligible project proposals under this new intake for community, culture and recreation infrastructure.

This will be the last opportunity to apply for these types of projects under ICIP in Saskatchewan to allow future intakes to focus on other types of infrastructure.

Eligible recipients are also reminded that applications are still being accepted under a currently open intake for landfill decommissioning projects.

If you have any questions, please contact the Municipal Infrastructure and Finance Branch at the Saskatchewan Ministry of Government Relations at [infra@gov.sk.ca](mailto:infra@gov.sk.ca) or 306-787-1262.

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### What We Heard Engagement Summary – Saskatchewan Packaging and Paper Stewardship Program Regulations

From March to May 2021, the Ministry of Environment engaged with stakeholders and interest groups on the regulatory review of The Household Packaging and Paper Stewardship Program Regulations and Multi-Material Recycling Program. On March 2, the ministry released a discussion paper and sector-specific online surveys, including a regulatory red tape survey for businesses. The ministry also hosted virtual meetings and engagement sessions in March and April, and accepted written responses until May 10.

The ministry has published a What We Heard report, summarizing the stakeholder comments received on the discussion paper. This input came from written submissions, online surveys, engagement sessions and meetings. The What We Heard report can be found in Saskatchewan's online publication centre at *Publication Centre (saskatchewan.ca)*.

For questions or comments, please contact Kyla Clincke at 306-787-2255 or *kyla.clincke@gov.sk.ca*.

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## Upcoming Deadlines for Producer Programs

The Ministry of Agriculture is dedicated to providing quality extension to farmers, ranchers and agribusiness across the province. While many in-person learning events aren't possible due to COVID-19, the ministry's agriculture programs specialist team want to raise awareness of the programs and resources available under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP), a five-year, \$388-million investment by federal and provincial governments in strategic initiatives for agriculture ending March 31, 2023.

Before these programs end, the ministry's agriculture program specialists want producers to note some important upcoming deadlines. *Click here* to review the deadlines for each of the programs above and share this information with your organizations' membership.

The ministry has also created a series of *online program presentations* that organizations and memberships will find valuable. Each presentation highlights a specific CAP program. These short, fast-paced video presentations explain the program intent, applicant eligibility, eligible activities and expenses and how to apply. Details about CAP programs and application information can always be found at *Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP) | Agribusiness, Farmers and Ranchers | Government of Saskatchewan*.



## Target Sector Support Intake Launch

Municipal Revenue Sharing is an integral part of strengthening municipalities across rural Saskatchewan. Funding such as the Targeted Sector Support Initiative helps to support inter-municipal cooperation resulting in more effective community governance.

The Steering Committee is now accepting applications for funding through the Targeted Sector Support Initiative. Please note that the deadline for submissions is **Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 5 p.m.**



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## Amendments to Saskatchewan Income Support Program

On November 12, 2021, the Ministry of Social Services announced that it is increasing support for Saskatchewan Income Support (SIS) clients with complex challenges who are at risk of homelessness.

The ministry will begin providing direct payments of shelter benefits available for rent, utilities and security deposits on behalf of high-needs SIS clients with complex challenges who are at risk of homelessness.

The ministry is also investing an additional \$113,000 in 2021-22 to expand money management and trusteeship services provided through currently-contracted community-based organizations by 25 per cent, to support more clients with complex needs.

SIS clients with complex challenges who need help with budgeting or managing their benefits can contact their income assistance worker to learn more about the supports available to them.

SIS was designed to be simple, client-friendly and focused on helping individuals and families become self-sufficient to the best of their abilities. Since the launch of SIS, the ministry has been listening to feedback and reviewing the program to consider if it needed adjustments. They've seen the majority of income assistance clients are capable of managing their finances, but that some clients with high needs may need help paying their bills. The ministry is continually assessing SIS and will continue to make adjustments as needed to make sure their clients have the supports they need.



## SaskPower SMR Information Sessions

SaskPower is hosting two public information sessions about the potential for nuclear power from small modular reactors in Saskatchewan. Both are virtual and free to join.

- **November 18 – 10:30 – Noon.**
- **November 30 – 6-7:30 p.m.**
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We'll introduce the planning phase of our SMR project and how SMRs might fit into the future power system in Saskatchewan as we strive to achieve net zero emissions.

We'll have representatives from the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) and representatives from two of Canada's nuclear power utilities – New Brunswick Power and Ontario Power Generation – on hand to share some background about nuclear power operations in Canada today.

We've set aside a good part of the agenda to learn what's important to you and to answer your questions at this early stage in the project.

The sessions are filling up! Please register below.



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