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Good afternoon APAS members – no video this week because I'm driving around in the APAS truck on the west side of the province today.

1. Consider visiting your RM Council: I've been sending update materials to numerous APAS Representatives over the past couple weeks because they've been meeting with their RM Councils. If you haven't gone to see your Council lately, there's a lot of recent APAS work that you might want to update them about.

2. Last chance to sign up for APAS Policy Committees: We recently sent a survey to all APAS Representatives inviting them to sign up for one of the APAS Policy Committees. APAS has six Policy Committees, including Crops and Transportation, Economics and Trade, Livestock, Land and Environment, Young Agricultural Producers, and Rural Life. Visit <u>https://bit.ly/34wCllS</u> and fill out the survey if you're interested in joining one of the Committees. The APAS Board of Directors is meeting next week, so they'll finalize the Committee lists then.

3. APF survey coming soon: The APAS NPF Task Force met on February 7 and are starting to assemble their recommendations into a discussion paper. We'll be sending a survey to all of you next week to gather your thoughts on programs in the current Agricultural Partnership Framework (APF), so watch for that survey link.

4. Backgrounder on Saskatchewan Growth Coalition's proposals:

We're finalizing a background document on the impact of the Saskatchewan Growth Coalition's proposal to shift municipal taxes away from oil/gas onto agricultural land, so that will be sent out to our members soon.

5. APAS submission to ISED: We're also finalizing a submission to Innovation, Science, and Economic Development Canada (ISED) that encourages a "use it or lose it" approach to companies purchasing broadband spectrum. A link to that document will be in next week's email.

You'll get the next APAS Update on February 17 – just call or email if you have any questions in the meantime.

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