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Good afternoon APAS members – visit <https://bit.ly/3Lb24QK> to watch this week's 2-minute APAS Update video.

1. APAS response to 2022-23 provincial Budget: The provincial Budget was released yesterday, and APAS was at both the Ministry of Agriculture's Budget Briefing event in the morning, plus the Budget Address at the Legislature in the afternoon. No big surprises in the Budget, but we did put out a press release in response to it. You can read the APAS press release at <https://bit.ly/3ivuxVf>.

2. One-year update on APAS RCTF final report: The APAS Rural Connectivity Task Force released its final report with recommendations to improve rural internet and cellular cover in March 2021. Over the past year we've done a lot of advocacy to get the 46 recommendations in the report implemented, so we've prepared a one-year anniversary update document that you can read at <https://bit.ly/3D2TuRa>.

3. 54 policy resolutions adopted at CFA AGM: APAS Directors and staff attended the Canadian Federation of Agriculture's AGM in Ottawa at the beginning of March. During the AGM's policy session, 54 policy resolutions were discussed and adopted, including 5 resolutions that were submitted by APAS. Click on <https://bit.ly/3qBIWEW> to read the 54 resolutions that were passed at the CFA AGM.

4. Ian Boxall interview on CTV Your Morning: On March 22, Ian Boxall (APAS President) did a national television interview with CTV Your Morning about the CP rail strike that was averted at the last minute. Visit <https://bit.ly/3Lb3yKO> and scroll the video forward to 1:31:25 to watch Ian's interview.

5. APAS updates for RM Councils: Let me know if you need APAS update materials for your RM Council meeting, or if you'd like APAS staff or Directors to come discuss our projects and advocacy work.

You'll get the next APAS Update on March 31 – just call or email if you have any questions in the meantime.

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P.S. – The Winter 2022 issue of Saskatchewan Farmers' Voice magazine is now in the mail, so you should be receiving it in your mailbox soon.