



# BUILDING ASSET MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN NOVA SCOTIA

## WHEN:

Friday, September 27th, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## WHERE:

Holiday Inn Express – Halifax-Bedford, 980 Parkland Dr., Halifax, N.S., B3M 4Y7

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Municipal leaders including councilors and staff interested in learning about the benefits of adopting asset management

## WHY ATTEND:

Participants will gain an understanding of the transformational changes some Nova Scotia municipalities are making to support improved infrastructure decisions and more efficient service delivery. These municipalities, considered to be early adopters of asset management in the Province, will share their experience, results and lessons learned through their participation in an asset management peer learning cohort program implemented by the AIM Network.\*

The agenda for the day will include presentations, panel discussions and storytelling along with roundtable discussions that centre on the key elements required to build an effective asset management program: governance, developing levels of service, risk assessment (including climate risk), prioritization of infrastructure projects and community engagement.

You will also have a chance to hear an update from the Province of NS and NSFM.

\* The program has been delivered through the Municipal Asset Management Program, which is delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada



### Cohort participants that will be contributing during the day include:

#### Elected officials:

**Councillor Loren Cushing**, District of Yarmouth  
**Mayor George Harding**, Lockeport  
**Mayor David Devenne**, Mahone Bay  
**Mayor Karen Mattatall**, Shelburne  
**Mayor Danny MacGillivray**, Stellarton

#### Municipal staff/administrators:

**James Stronach**, Engineering Technician, Annapolis County  
**Dylan Heide**, CAO, Shelburne  
**Victoria Brooks**, CAO, District of Yarmouth  
**Jason MacMillan**, Project Manager, Port Hawkesbury  
**Susan Higdon**, Town Clerk, Stellarton  
**Wayne Teasdale**, Interim CAO, Trenton

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$99 + HST**

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TIME	SESSION
8:30 - 9:00 A.M	Coffee / Networking
9:00 - 9:30 A.M	<b>Welcome and introductions; agenda review; overview of the cohort program</b> Daisy Foster, Managing Director of AIM Network
9:30 - 9:45 A.M	<b>Update on asset management from the Province of Nova Scotia</b> Jennifer Duncan, Municipal Affairs & Housing, Province of NS
9:45 - 10:15 A.M	<b>The asset management team: Setting the foundations for asset management planning</b> <b>Presentation:</b> Victoria Brooks, CAO, District of Yarmouth <b>Panelists:</b> Wayne Teasdale (Interim CAO, Trenton) and Susan Higdon, Town Clerk, Town of Stellarton
10:15 - 11:00 A.M	<b>Developing Levels of Service</b> <b>Presentation:</b> Matt Delorme, <b>Panelists:</b> James Stronach, Engineering Technician, Annapolis County; Jason MacMillan, Project Manager, Port Hawkesbury; Susan Higdon, Town Clerk, Stellarton; Victoria Brooks, CAO, District of Yarmouth
11:00 - 11:15 A.M	Refreshment Break
11:15 - 12:00 P.M	<b>Risk assessment and prioritization of infrastructure projects</b> <b>Presentation:</b> Tjaart Van den Berg, Land Info Technologies <b>Presentation:</b> "Annapolis County's experience and lessons," James Stronach, Engineering Technician <b>Panelists:</b> Jason MacMillan, Project Manager, Port Hawkesbury; Susan Higdon, Town Clerk, Stellarton
12:00 - 12:30 P.M	<b>Round Table Discussions:</b> An opportunity for participants to chat informally with cohort participants related to the topics discussed in the morning.
12:30 - 1:30 P.M	Networking Lunch
1:30 - 2:15 P.M	<b>The Important Role of Community Engagement in Asset Management Planning</b> <b>Storytelling with:</b> Dylan Heide, CAO, Mahone Bay; Victoria Brooks, CAO, District of Yarmouth; George Harding, Mayor of Lockeport; Susan Higdon, Town Clerk, Stellarton
2:15 - 3:00 P.M	<b>Political and strategic advantages of asset management; insight from municipal elected officials</b> <b>Presentation:</b> "Strengthening Governance through Policy," Daisy Foster, AIM Network <b>Dialogue with:</b> Councillor Loren Cushing (District of Yarmouth); Mayor George Harding (Lockeport); Mayor David Devenne (Mahone Bay); Mayor Karen Mattatall (Shelburne); Mayor Danny MacGillivray (Stellarton)
3:00 - 3:15 P.M	<b>Asset management initiatives update by NSFM</b> Debbie Nielsen, Infrastructure & Sustainability Officer, NSFM
3:15 - 3:30 P.M	Wrap up and workshop evaluation