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- Provincial consultations on Electricity Transmission Planning.
- Ontario's premier municipal event - AMO 2025 Conference - Register today.
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- AMO Guide to Delegation Meetings: Be prepared for your ministerial delegations.
- AMO Trade and Tariff Forum - October 24.
- Upgrades needed: Federal deadline for PCB light ballasts.
- Roundtable on Municipal Support Confirmations for Energy Projects.
- OurCare survey open until July 9.
- Feedback Requested – Survey on Gender-Based Violence prevention resource.
- Long Term Care Community Engagement Day Event.
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**Provincial Matters**

The Ministry of Rural Affairs is accepting applications to the modernized Rural Ontario Development (ROD) Program. [Applications are being accepted](#) through four intakes with the first open from June 24 - September 24, 2025.

The provincial government is soliciting feedback on electricity transmission projects including the [Greenstone Line](#), [Windsor to Lakeshore Line](#), [Bowmanville to GTA Line](#), [Orangeville to Barrie Line](#), and [Barrie to Sudbury Lines](#).

**Education Opportunities**

AMO's 2025 Annual Conference is back in Ottawa. In this unprecedented time, coming together with municipal, provincial and key sector partners is more important than ever. [Register for AMO 2025](#) and [book your accommodations today](#).

AMO strives to provide a full spectrum of learning and engagement at our annual event. This years' [pre-conference sessions](#) include discussion and insights on infrastructure planning, understanding the threat landscape to municipal leaders and the importance of collaboration across orders of government, emergency preparedness, and municipal revenue generation through sponsorship programs.

AMO's [Guide to Delegation Meetings](#) outlines best practices to help AMO members get the most out of your delegation meetings. You will find advice on the full delegation process, from submitting your request for a delegation, preparing, participating and following-up after your successful meeting.

AMO is holding a forum for its members, key stakeholders and partners to provide a reliable assessment of tariff and trade disruptions and their impact on Ontario municipalities and business sector. Forum discussion and content will include identifying measures to address and mitigate these impacts. This future facing event is an opportunity to build new alliances and relationships across impacted sectors in support of strong and effective economic advocacy. [Register here.](#)

## LAS

The [Canadian Environmental Protection Act](#) prohibiting the continued use of PCB-containing lighting ballasts comes into effect December 31, 2025. Take advantage of [LAS' Facility Lighting Service](#) for an LED upgrade solution to keep your municipality compliant. Don't wait - [contact Christian](#) to get started.

## Municipal Wire\*

Join the Pembina Institute's virtual roundtable on July 7 from 12-1 pm to discuss best practices for assessing energy development proposals and granting Municipal Support Confirmations. [To participate, please register online.](#)

OurCare is undertaking [a survey](#) to understand people's experiences of primary care. The survey is open until July 9 and elected officials are encouraged to share with their residents.

Municipalities are invited to provide feedback on a research report for [An Equity-Focused Population Health Approach to Gender-based Violence Prevention](#). Their survey closes Friday, July 4. Contact [lia.depauw@kflaph.ca](mailto:lia.depauw@kflaph.ca) with questions.

The [Ontario Long Term Care Association's LTC Community Engagement Day](#) is on September 12, 2025. This annual event invites elected officials to visit long-term care homes in their communities. Contact [info@oltca.com](mailto:info@oltca.com) to learn more.

## Careers

[Database Applications Specialist I, BI & Data Analytics - County of Simcoe](#). Closing Date: July 17, 2025.

[Database Applications Specialist and BI Analytics Specialist III - County of Simcoe](#). Closing Date: July 17, 2025.

[Business Systems Analyst, SAP Finance - County of Simcoe](#). Closing Date: July 17, 2025.

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