



MHCA endorses Canada West Foundation report linking infrastructure investment to economic growth

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The Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (MHCA) supports the findings of a Canada West Foundation (CWF) report released on February 6, 2013 which demonstrates that sustained and strategic public and private sector investment in infrastructure, fuels long-term economic growth. This in turn provides revenues to governments with which to fund our social and service priorities to maintain and enhance Canada's quality of life and standard of living.

This report provides evidence that sustained and strategic infrastructure investment is essential to maintaining Canada's long-term economic growth and is critical to the quality of life enjoyed by Canadians.

The report: At the Intersection: The Case for Sustained and Strategic Public Infrastructure Investment, is the first of its kind in Canada. It provides recommendations to help governments harness infrastructure investment as a key element of their long-term economic growth plans.

The full CWF report can be downloaded in English and French from www.mhca.mb.ca

At the Intersection proposes five recommendations to help grow the economy and maintain our quality of life:

1. Sustained and strategic investments in Canada's public infrastructure should be continued.
2. Priority should be given to public infrastructure that enhances economic performance.

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3. Governments should encourage innovative approaches to the design of public infrastructure.
4. Governments should not focus exclusively on new infrastructure and should give due consideration to renewing existing public infrastructure.
5. Ongoing analysis and evaluation of recent public infrastructure investments should be conducted and the lessons applied to future investments.

Canada's governments must continue to prioritize core public infrastructure investment. The right plan will keep all orders of government working together, create jobs and build the conditions for new economic growth.

The CWF report recommends Canada's need to invest in infrastructure assets which enable economic growth. Those include road, rail, air and marine systems that support trade and economic activity. Local core infrastructure assets must also be a priority such as sewer and water systems to ensure the highest return on investment.

New development in Winnipeg is a prime example of the clear link between infrastructure investment and economic growth.

IKEA would not be in Winnipeg if there was no investment in core infrastructure, namely street, sewer and water. By investing in the redevelopment of Kenaston Boulevard, along with sewer and water, Winnipeg opened the door to IKEA. That investment has created more than 300 jobs at IKEA plus jobs in tourism, hotel and entertainment. All of this helps to support the quality of life Winnipeggers have come to enjoy.

Manitobans should remember their province is an important Canadian gateway to global trade, and strategic investment in infrastructure ensures it stays that way.

Manitobans should support key infrastructure investment projects including CentrePort Canada Way to help launch CentrePort Canada, Canada's first inland port; the development of the Port of Churchill as Canada's northern trade gateway; and major highways across Manitoba which help sustain Manitoba's trade profile including, the Perimeter, Highway 75 south to the United States, the Headingly, St. Norbert and Emerson by-passes and the Emerson border crossing.

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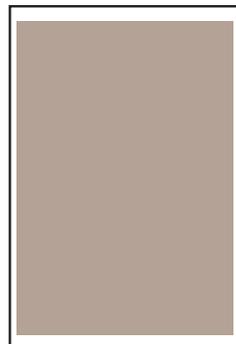


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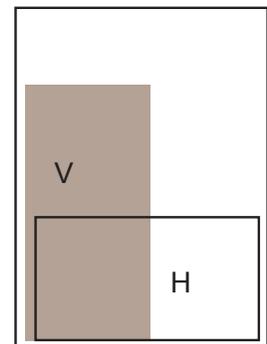
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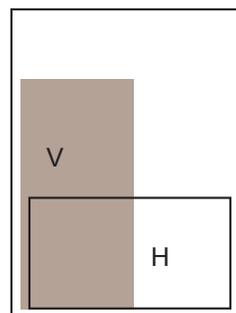
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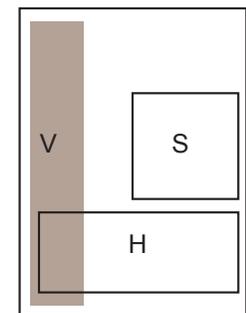
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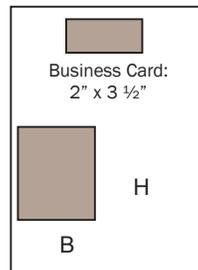
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"Unsexy' sewers need some infrastructure loving, too', report says" Maclean's - (February 6, 2013)

"So says a new report that, among other things, is encouraging all levels of government to boost their spending on Canada's less splashy infrastructure projects...."

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<http://www2.macleans.ca/2013/02/06/unsexy-sewers-need-some-infrastructure-loving-too-report-says/>

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"Strategic infrastructure critical for Canada" Daily Commercial News - (February 6, 2013)

"Investment in strategic infrastructure will make the Canadian economy more productive, concludes a commissioned Canadian Construction Association (CCA) report released today...."

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<http://dconline.com/article/id53898/water>

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"Ottawa looks to boost spending in 2013 budget" Globe & Mail - (February 5, 2013)

"The Conservative government is preparing to commit long-term cash for infrastructure in its 2013 budget in an effort to squeeze more projects -..."

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<http://tinyurl.com/bk86w8m>

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"Is Business Taking Flight?" by Peter G. Hall - *Economic Development Canada* - (January 31, 2013)

"I'm just back from my first international business trip of the year, a whirlwind 3-city tour of Mexico. I spend a lot of time in airports each year, and..."

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<http://www.edc.ca/EN/Knowledge-Centre/Subscriptions/Weekly-Commentary/Pages/is-business-taking-flight.aspx>

On February 15, 2013 The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce will host BOLD Winnipeg – an event focused on sharing and discussing BOLD ideas for a prosperous and growing City of Winnipeg.

BOLD is a launching pad to identify and support BOLD ideas, BOLD initiatives and BOLD leaders.

On Feb. 15, community and business leaders are invited to share some of their BOLD ideas that will be the building blocks of the BOLD Winnipeg platform.

Send us your BOLD idea at BOLD@winnipeg-chamber.com , share on Facebook, or Twitter or call (204) 944-3316.

To register for this BOLD event, email info@winnipeg-chamber.com or call (204) 944-8484.

Save date for Winnipeg tender release information and presentation



The City of Winnipeg will be releasing details about its Public Works and Water and Waste Department's tenders for 2013. MHCA will host a special presentation offered by the City and its representatives to provide more information about the tendering schedule to MHCA members:

Thursday February 28, 2013
Holiday Inn Winnipeg Airport – Polo Park
The Ellice Room

7:30am doors open
8:00am hot breakfast served
8:20 am Presentation followed by Q& A

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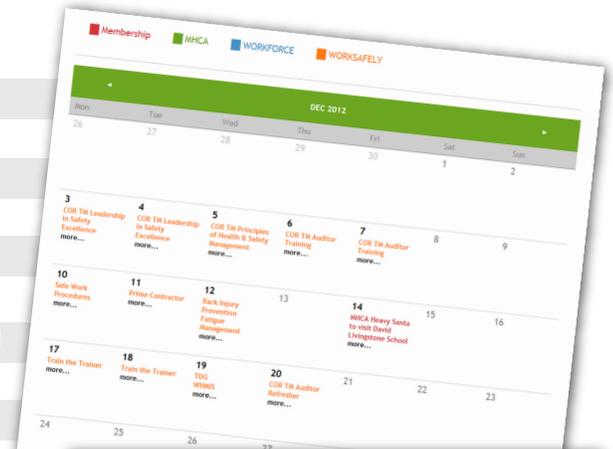
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COR™ Auditor	Feb.14-15
Workplace Safety & Health Committee Training (1/2 day AM)	Feb.19
Train the Trainer HEOT	Feb.20-21
WHMIS (1/2 day AM)	Feb.21
TDG (1/2 day PM)	Feb.21
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WE ARE TRAINING IN YOUR REGION!

Training will take place at the Ste. Rose Du Lac Fire Hall, 205 Railway Street from 8:30am - 4:30-pm February 19th - 22nd, 2013

First Aid 1/CPR	February 19th
Train the Trainer	February 20th -21st
WHIMIS (AM)	February 22nd
TDG (PM)	February 22nd

For any other training requests and to register please contact: Sarah Higgins at sarah@mhca.mb.ca or by phone at 204-594-9060

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Manitoba Hydro is a leader among energy companies in North America, recognized for providing highly reliable service and exceptional customer satisfaction. Join our team of Manitoba's best as we continue to build a company that supports innovation, commitment and customer service.

We are seeking an experienced and highly motivated Field Safety Officer to join the Bipole III Converter Station Project located at our Keewatinoow Converter Station Site.

Responsibilities:

- Implement the project safety plan and monitor the contractor(s) compliance with the plan, their WS&H program and W210 MR217/2006:
 - Document contractor(s) non-compliance with the safety plan and issue corrective action notices as required.
 - Ensure tracking process is in place for completion of corrective actions and use process.
- Monitor the contractor's workplace incident investigation program and review reports for root cause and corrective actions and, if required, identify gaps for further investigation.
- In cooperation with the Site Environmental Officer and the Site Liaison Officer create and deliver the project orientation program which includes safety, environmental protection and stakeholder awareness.
- Coordinate the development, implementation and testing of the project emergency response plan(s).
- Participate in fire prevention and safety programs for the education of project participants related to Project Site.
- Participate in the project WS&H committee ensuring Manitoba Hydro's obligations as the Prime Contractor are met.
- Ensure medium and high risk incident scenes and investigations are managed and conducted according to Corporate and regulatory requirements.
- Coordinate the collection, analysis, interpretation and reporting of Project safety and health performance statistics.
- Provide back up and support to the Site Environmental Officer and Site Liaison Officer.
- Assist in the administration of site security and paramedic services contracts.

Qualifications:

- Minimum Grade 12 education plus appropriate Trade Certificate with five years of directly related experience of which two years experience is related to safety, health and environment.
- CRSP or other related safety designation or certification would be an asset.
- Direct experience working in the heavy construction industry and/or large civil construction projects would be an asset.
- Demonstrated knowledge of provincial and federal Workplace Safety & Health regulations.
- Experience with safety qualifications in: working at elevations; confined space theory; TDG; WHMIS; Job Planning; Work Site Visits; spill awareness; Hazardous Waste Management; ATV's; boats; snowmobiles; limits of approach; craning and rigging; trenching and excavations; building/assembling scaffolding; fall protection equipment inspection.
- Working knowledge of computer software including Microsoft Word.
- Ability to work effectively with senior management, union representatives, field staff, consultants, and officials from external organizations and regulatory agencies.
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