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## As budget looms, cities 'hopeful' about new pledges for infrastructure

Originally published in the *Globe and Mail* - Saturday March 16, 2013

The Conservative budget is expected to deliver a long-term infrastructure deal worth well over \$30-billion – an amount Canada's cities are prepared to welcome even though it falls billions short of what they say is needed.

The government pledged two years ago to work with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities on a new infrastructure plan to replace the deal that expires in 2013-14. The process involved extensive discussions across the country, and countless meetings with officials in Ottawa.

Now that the negotiations are done and Finance Minister Jim Flaherty is putting the final touches on his 2013 budget, the FCM updated *The Globe and Mail* on what it expects.

Mr. Flaherty announced on Thursday that he will table his eighth budget on March 21. An infrastructure deal with cities is likely to be one of the very few bright lights in a budget that is being billed as a restraint package designed to balance the country's books in time for the federal election in 2015. With slim economic growth for the coming year and lower commodity prices that are already hurting Ottawa's bottom line, infrastructure is one area where government can squeeze more projects – including partnerships with the private sector – out of limited public funds.

Heading into negotiations, Canada's municipalities had called for a 20-year plan worth about \$6.6-billion annually. Based on their latest discussions with government officials, they are now expecting the budget will pledge between \$4.25-billion and \$5-billion a year for municipalities and a timeline shorter than requested. The FCM expects Ottawa's pledge will be for longer than the previous term, which was seven years, but did not speculate on an exact length.

"I'm hopeful," said Karen Leibovici, president of the FCM and an Edmonton city councillor. "I think they've heard the message that you can't allow the infrastructure in this country to keep falling into a major disrepair, and in fairness, over the last number of years, this government has put more dollars into infrastructure than we've seen in a long, long time."

Municipalities argue that promising money over the long term allows cities and towns to enter into large infrastructure programs that require financing over several years.

Dan Miles, a spokesman for Mr. Flaherty, said he could not discuss details. "I can't comment on what may or may not be in the budget," he said. "However [the] FCM is a strong partner."

It is not clear yet how the new long-term pledge fits with returning to balanced books. Finance officials can bury planned spending inside their long-term forecasts through what is known as the "fiscal framework," which is essentially the total amount Ottawa plans to spend – even though it may not have announced all of the details.

Mr. Flaherty outlined the parameters of his 2013 budget in November through a speech to the Toronto Board of Trade. The board has been a vocal advocate for more infrastructure spending, claiming in a 2011 report that gridlock has become the biggest threat to economic prosperity in the Greater Toronto Area and is costing the region \$6-billion a year.

The FCM says its main concern now is for Ottawa to be more specific about its plans for spending in the later years. The government has made it very clear that the priority for this year's budget is a plan to erase the deficit by 2015-16. The FCM is looking for assurances that, after the budget is balanced, there will be negotiations about increasing the annual funding for municipalities.

Most, if not all, of the infrastructure spending is likely already factored in to the government's timeline for erasing the deficit. Current federal transfers to municipalities break down like this: Nearly \$1-billion in GST/HST rebates, \$2-billion in federal gas tax transfers, and about \$1.25-billion a year from the expiring Building Canada Fund. Mr. Flaherty has already said the GST/HST rebate and the gas tax transfer will continue. He has said no decision has been made beyond that.

The FCM expects the \$1.25-billion-a-year transfer will be renewed and is also expecting additional new transfers. It is also likely that the federal government will renew other infrastructure funds that do not involve direct transfers to municipalities, such as replenishing the budget for a public private partnership program called PPP Canada.

That means the total amount of the infrastructure package could approach \$5-billion a year.

## MHCA Media Monitor

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"What's Asia's Bellwether Economy Saying?" BDC Canada - Peter G. Hall - (March 14, 2013)

"Just when the Western World was worried about a serious double-dip recession, the unthinkable happened:..."

**Read the full article:**

<http://www.edc.ca/EN/Knowledge-Centre/Subscriptions/Weekly-Commentary/Pages/asias-bellwether.aspx>

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"Keep beating the infrastructure drum: CCA president" Journal of Commerce - (March 11, 2013)

"With a highly anticipated federal budget on the horizon, the Canadian construction industry must continue delivering its message for long-term sustainable infrastructure funding..."

**Read the full article:**

<http://www.journalofcommerce.com/article/id54353/--keep-beating-the-infrastructure-drum-cca-president>

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"Martha Hall Findlay: Our tax system makes no sense for cities" Globe & Mail - (March 18, 2013)

"There has been much talk about a 'fiscal imbalance' in Canada, but it has always been in the..."

**Read the full article:**

<http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/hall-findlay-canadas-tax-system-makes-no-sense-for-cities/article9871044/>

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See the latest innovations from North America's premier manufacturers, including pump demonstrations, fusible PVC, insulated pipe, fusion machines, septic systems and much more.

### Where:

Brandon - The Victoria Inn April 2 9am- 4pm

The Pas - Kikiwak Inn April 4 9am-4pm

Questions and to RSVP call Kim 204-697-3120

## We've updated our logos and we hope you will, too!



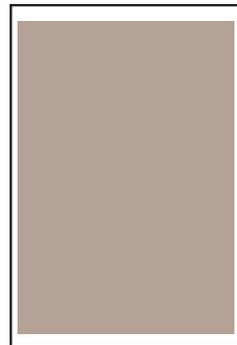
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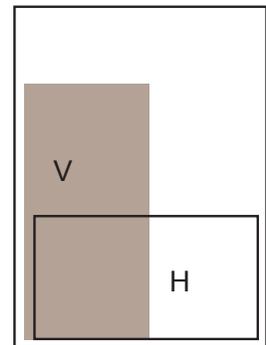
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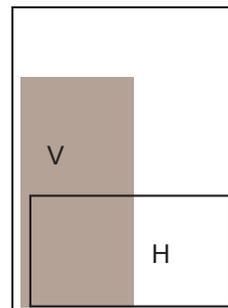
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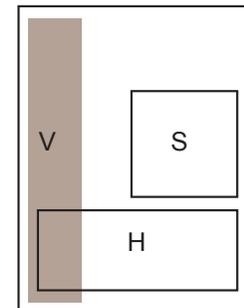
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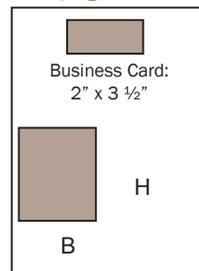
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**Level 1:  
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The Manitoba Construction Sector Council has developed a new level one supervisor program. The program encourages upcoming or new supervisors to problem solve and make decisions by engaging them in a variety of activities including case studies, simulations, group work and individual reflection. Upon completion, participants will have a tool kit or resource guide of templates to use on the job and 10 gold seal credits from the Canadian Construction Association.

**Location:** 1000 Waverley Street, Winnipeg

**Time:** (8:00 am.-4:00pm.)

**Schedule:** See reverse side of page for registration details

**Cost:** \$50 per course/\$500 for 12 courses, plus required safety course

**Lunch:** will be provided to participants attending a full day

**Deadline for Registration:** February 24, 2013

**Contact for more information:** Carol Paul, Director of Training, MCSC

## Manitoba Construction Sector Council

### Level 1 Construction Supervisor Registration Form

Course Number	Date/Time	Course	Room	Instructor	Indicate courses (X)
1-01	March 6 8am-12pm	The Supervisor as Leader	103	Lorne Madden	
1-02	March 6 1pm-4pm	Planning Work	103	Curtis Hildebrand	
1-03	March 14 8am-12pm	Resolving Conflict	104	David Hughes	
1-04	March 14 1-4pm	Effective Meetings	104	David Hughes	
1-05	March 19 8am-12pm	Profitability	103	Diana Laxdal	
1-06	March 19 1pm-4pm	Written Communication	103	Diana Laxdal	
1-07	March 26 8:30 am-10:30 am	Green Building (this course or environmental awareness)	104	Ed Franchi	
1-08	March 27 8am-12pm	Document Use	104	Donna Cox	
1-09	March 27 1pm-4pm	HR Management	104	Donna Cox	
1-10	April 3 8am-12pm	Measuring Performance	BD #1	Ed Franchi	
1-11	April 3 1pm-3pm	Environmental Awareness (this course or Green Building)	BD#1	Ed Franchi	
1-12	April 17 8am-12pm	Delegation	104	Donna Cox	
1-13	April 17 1pm-4pm	Verbal Communication	104	Donna Cox	

\*Register for the 2 day "Leadership for Safety Excellence Course" at: Manitoba Heavy Construction Association: [www.mhca.mb.ca](http://www.mhca.mb.ca) or Winnipeg Construction Association: [www.winnipegconstruction.ca](http://www.winnipegconstruction.ca)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

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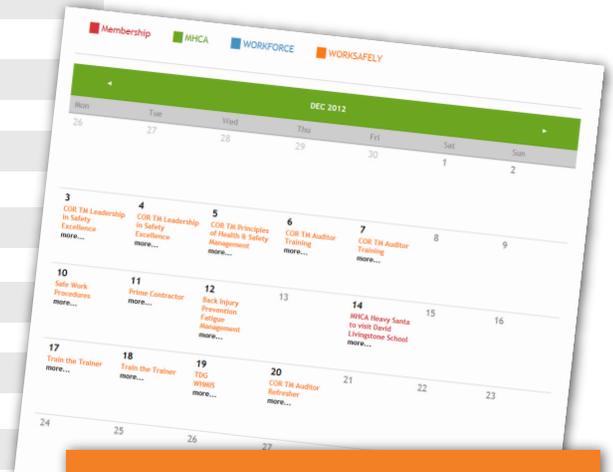
Remember to indicate the courses you plan to attend. Thank you.

# Training Schedule

## Winnipeg Schedule:

*Construction Safety Excellence™*

COR™ Auditor	Mar.7-8
Train the Trainer	Mar.11-12
COR™ Auditor Refresher (1/2 day AM)	Mar.13
Workplace Safety & Health Committee Training (1/2 day PM)	Mar.13
Flagperson (1/2 day AM)	Mar.15
COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence	Mar.18-19
COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management	Mar.20
COR™ Auditor	Mar.21-22
First Aid 1- CPR	Mar.22
Prime Contractor (1/2 day AM)	April.1
Safety Administration (1/2 day PM)	April.1
Excavation & Trenching (1/2 day AM)	April.2
Flagperson (1/2 day PM)	April.2
Safe Work Procedures	April.3
COR Auditor Refresher (1/2 day AM)	April.4
Workplace Safety & Health Committee Training (1/2 day PM)	April.4
WHMIS (1/2 day AM)	April.5
TDG (1/2 day PM)	April.5
COR Leadership in Safety Excellence	April.15-16
COR Principles of Health & Safety Management	April.17
COR Auditor	April.18-19
First Aid 1- CPR	April.26
COR Leadership in Safety Excellence	April.29-30



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For the most up to date training schedule for the coming months visit [www.mhca.mb.ca/worksafely](http://www.mhca.mb.ca/worksafely)

## BRANDON, MB WE ARE TRAINING IN YOUR REGION!

We are holding training in Brandon at the St. John's Ambulance Office  
 3rd floor of the Brandon Shoppers Mall, Unit 204-1570 18th Street.  
 April 1st - 5th, 2013

COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence	April 1st & 2nd	8:30a.m - 4:30p.m
COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management	April 3rd	8:30a.m - 4:30p.m
COR™ Auditor	April 4th & 5th	8:30a.m - 4:30p.m
Flag Person	April 1st	6:00p.m - 9:00p.m
TDG	April 2nd	6:00p.m - 9:00p.m
Prime Contractor	April 3rd	6:00p.m - 9:00p.m
Workplace Safety & Health Committee/Representative Training	April 4th	6:00p.m - 9:00p.m

For any other training requests and to register please contact: Sarah Higgins at [sarah@mcha.mb.ca](mailto:sarah@mcha.mb.ca) or by phone at 204-594-9060

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**NOTICE OF DELAYING THE IMPOSITION OF THE 2013 SPRING ROAD RESTRICTIONS IN ZONE 1**

Please be advised that due to continued cooler temperatures, imposition of the 2013 Spring Road Restrictions will be delayed.

Spring Road Restrictions in Zone 1 will not start before **6:00 a.m Thursday March 21, 2013** when a decision to implement is made, notice will be communicated 72 hours prior to the start date, in the following manners:

- » on the Internet at <http://www.manitoba.ca/mit/srr/index.html>
- » by calling the Road Information Line at 204- 945 3704, or 1- 877- 627 6237.

**NOTICE OF DELAYING THE IMPOSITION OF THE 2013 SPRING ROAD RESTRICTIONS IN ZONE 2**

Please be advised that due to continued cooler temperatures, imposition of the 2013 Spring Road Restrictions will be delayed.

Spring Road Restrictions in Zone 2 will not start before **6:00 a.m Thursday March 21, 2013** when a decision to implement is made, notice will be communicated 72 hours prior to the start date, in the following manners:

- » on the Internet at <http://www.manitoba.ca/mit/srr/index.html>
- » by calling the Road Information Line at 204- 945 3704,  
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**NOTICE OF PERMIT OFFICE CLOSURE**

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013 (EASTER MONDAY)

Please be advised that the Motor Carrier Permits and Development (MCPD) office will be closed on April 1, 2013 and staff will not be available to issue or advise on permits.

The MCPD office will re open on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 at 7:30 am (CST).

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the MCPD office:

Phone: 1-877-812-0009 or 204-945-3961

Fax: 204-945-6499

Email: [Permitservices@gov.mb.ca](mailto:Permitservices@gov.mb.ca)

For further details on the MCPD and what services and information are available, please refer to our website;  
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