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Memorandum

CWCD 2026-186

Subject: Summary of Active Bid Solicitations

Date: Friday, August 14, 2026

To: Regional Council

From: Bart Menage, Director, Procurement Services

Please be advised that the Bid Solicitations included in Appendix 1 are currently active.

As per the Procurement By-law 2025-57, section 19. Reporting, item 19.1 The Director, Procurement Services shall:

(a) report to Council on a weekly basis via Councillor Weekly Correspondence Distribution:

(i) a summary of active Bid Solicitations.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Bart Menage
Director, Procurement Services

Appendices

Appendix 1 Summary of Active Bid Solicitations

Bid Number	Name	Closing Date
2026-RFP-90	Employee and Family Assistance and Critical Incident Response Program for The Regional Municipality of Niagara, Niagara Regional Police Service, and Niagara Transit Commission	August 21, 2026
2026-RFP-114	Railway Grade Crossing Safety Assessment	August 25, 2026
2026-RFP-121	Baker Rd WWTP & Outfall EA Geotechnical Investigations	August 27, 2026
2026-T-120	Traffic Signal Rebuild on Regional Road 29 (Lincoln Avenue) at Regional Road 54 (Prince Charles Drive), in the City of Welland	August 28, 2026
2026-RFP-119	Niagara Falls Water Treatment Plant Intake Contingency Planning	August 31, 2026
2026-RFP-122	Consulting Engineering Services for the Niagara Falls Watermain Replacement Study	September 01, 2026
2026-T-127	Materials Testing Services for the Reconstruction of RR 100 (Casablanca Blvd) between the RR 39 (North Service Rd) and RR 512 (Livingston Ave) in the Town of Grimsby	September 01, 2026
2026-T-129	Medium Priority Instrumentation Calibrations	September 01, 2026
2026-RFP-115	Niagara Talent Attraction Campaign	September 02, 2026
2025-T-227	Grimsby Lincoln Booster Generator Upgrade	September 04, 2026
2026-T-137	Supply and Delivery of Five (5) Three-Quarter Tonne Pick-up Trucks	September 04, 2026
2026-NRFT-117	Spring Gardens Sanitary Pumping Station (SPS) and Forcemain (FM) Upgrade in the City of St. Catharines	September 08, 2026
2026-T-108	Roof System Replacement at Rapelje Lodge Long Term Care home	September 15, 2026

Memorandum

CWCD 2026-187

Subject: New Office Location for Mental Health Program

Date: Friday, August 14, 2026

To: Regional Council

From: Diane Vanecko, Director, Clinical Services Division

Niagara Region's Mental Health office located at 3550 Schmon Parkway, Thorold is moving to co-locate with Community Services at 234 Bunting Road, St. Catharines effective August 24, 2026. As part of this change, the Schmon Parkway location will close on August 14. Mental Health services will continue at our other locations without disruption during this time to ensure continuity of service for clients.

Mental health services are provided for individuals with complex mental health needs at the following locations:

- 200 Division Street, Welland
- 7835 McLeod Road, Niagara Falls
- 145 Queenston Street, St. Catharines
- 234 Bunting Road, St. Catharines (effective August 24, 2026)
- Community and home visits throughout the Niagara region

Co-locating with Community Services supports more efficient use of Regional resources while creating opportunities for Mental Health staff to work alongside colleagues from Community Services. This co-location will help strengthen collaboration and integration across services and support improved access for clients.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Diane Vanecko
Director, Clinical Services Division

Memorandum

CWCD 2026-188

Subject: Tire Collection Service Disruptions Under Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility Framework

Date: August 14, 2026

To: Regional Council

From: Lucy McGovern, Waste Diversion Program Manager

This memorandum is a follow-up to the December 19, 2025, Council Weekly Correspondence (CWCD 2025-196) regarding the tire collection service disruptions under Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) framework. It provides Council with an update on the ongoing tire collection service disruptions; outlines the operational impacts being experienced at the Region's residential waste drop off depots; and advises on the contingency measures that will be implemented to prevent fire hazards, risk to public health and safety, and operational challenges associated with increasing tire stockpiles.

Niagara Region operates three tire collection sites as part of its waste diversion system under Ontario's Tire EPR framework. Appendix 1 provides further background information regarding Ontario's Tire EPR framework and Niagara Region's role within the system.

Issue

Further to the information provided in CWCD 2025-196, Niagara Region continues to experience delayed tire collection service through the Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) responsible for arranging the transportation and processing of tires collected at Regional drop-off depots.

Since the start of the year, collection frequency has declined from approximately weekly pickups to every two weeks, with recent experience indicating that collection delays may extend further. These reduced frequencies in the PRO tire collection service are inadequate to meet the actual tire accumulation rates at Regional drop-off depots.

Without consistent weekly collection service, tires will continue to accumulate faster than they can be safely removed from Regional depots, creating increased operational handling requirements, storage pressures, and fire safety concerns.

This issue is not unique to Niagara. Similar challenges are being reported by municipalities across Ontario, indicating a broader capacity issue within the tire EPR system. Appendix 2 summarizes the impacts these collection disruptions are having on municipalities across Ontario and provides examples of the contingency measures municipalities have implemented in response.

Contingency Measures

To help mitigate risks, staff have developed the Tire Service Escalation and Communication Framework (Appendix 3), for managing incoming tire volumes as Regional drop-off depots continue to experience inconsistent and delayed tire collection service from the PRO and storage capacity becomes limited.

The primary goal is to continue accepting tires as long as storage capacity permits and the site operations supervisor determines that risks associated with continued acceptance can be safely managed.

The Tire Collection Service Escalation and Communication Framework, establishes a staged approach for operational response, communications, and risk management. At the time of writing this memorandum, Niagara Region is operating in the Yellow Stage.

Under the Yellow Stage, staff have initiated proactive communications advising members of the public to delay bringing tires to Regional drop-off depots where possible due to the ongoing delays in PRO tire collection services. Residents who need to dispose of tires may still continue to use Regional drop-off depots while storage capacity remains available and staff determine that operational risks can be managed.

The objective of the communication plan is to moderate incoming tire volumes, preserve available storage capacity, and support operational continuity.

Communication channels may include:

- Niagara Region website updates and banners
- Social media messaging
- Waste Wizard updates
- On-site signage, as required
- Customer service messaging

As part of the communications plan, staff will direct residents to the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA) Collection Site Finder (www.rpra.ca/where-to-

[recycle](#)) to identify alternative tire recycling drop-off locations in the local area. Messaging will also provide a high-level explanation of the Region's need to manage operational, environmental, and health and safety considerations associated with tire storage.

Staff will continue to monitor tire inventories, collection performance, and site conditions and will implement additional contingency measures in accordance with the Tire Collection Service Escalation and Communication Framework.

Red Stage Response

Should conditions progress to the Red Stage for a specific Regional drop-off depot in the Region's Tire Collection Service Escalation and Communication Framework, staff will escalate contingency measures, including suspension of tire acceptance at the appropriate Regional drop-off depot(s). As staff continue to monitor the storage capacity thresholds, a 72-hour lead time has been established for communications to members of the public and Council for the suspension of tire acceptance.

The Red Stage represents a significant escalation in the tire collection disruption and reflects conditions where available storage capacity is insufficient to safely continue accepting tires under current collection service conditions.

Once Red Stage conditions are reached, tire acceptance will remain suspended until broader system conditions have improved, including collection reliability, processing capacity, change in regulation, and coordination with other municipalities experiencing similar challenges.

Staff will continue to monitor provincial developments, engage with the PRO, RPRA, MECP, municipal associations, and affected municipalities, and provide updates to Council regarding changes to system conditions and potential impacts to Regional operations.

Staff recognize that suspension of tire acceptance may create inconvenience for residents and could increase the risk of illegal dumping. For this reason, service restrictions would only be implemented where operationally necessary and would be supported by proactive public communications including alternative tire recycling drop-off locations which can be found on RPRA's Collection Site Finder: (www.rpra.ca/where-to-recycle).

Advocacy

Staff continue to advocate for improvements to the Tire EPR system and have raised concerns regarding collection reliability and system capacity through discussions with the PRO, RPRA, and municipal waste associations.

In April of 2026, the MECP released proposed amendments to Ontario Regulation 225/18. Niagara Region provided comments on the proposed amendments and supported measures intended to improve collection responsiveness and address delays at registered collection sites.

Staff also highlighted the importance of ensuring adequate collection and processing capacity within the producer-managed system and improvements that reduce the burden and risks being assumed by municipalities participating in the Tire EPR system.

Next Steps

Niagara Region will:

- Continue monitoring tire volumes and PRO collection performance at all Regional facilities.
- Implement proactive public communication encouraging residents to delay tire drop-offs where possible and share status updates to local area municipalities.
- Continue discussions with the PRO regarding collection frequency and system capacity concerns.
- Continue advocating through the PRO, RPRA, MECP, and municipal associations for improvements to collection reliability and system capacity.
- Work with the Niagara Regional Chair's office to advise the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks of the ongoing issues.
- Coordinate with municipalities experiencing similar challenges to support a consistent approach to managing tire collection disruptions.
- Implement operational restrictions, including suspension of tire acceptance, if required to protect environmental, health and safety, and regulatory requirements.
- Monitor and track reports of tire-related illegal dumping to assess whether service disruptions or operational restrictions are resulting in unintended impacts.

Conclusion

The current tire collection challenges represent a broader provincial issue affecting municipalities participating in Ontario's Tire EPR system. The ongoing delays in the PRO tire collection service continue to create operational and safety risks as well as fire hazards for municipalities voluntarily providing tire collection services.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Lucy McGovern
Waste Diversion Program Manager

Appendices

Appendix 1 Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility Framework

Appendix 2 Municipal Scan and Contingency Measures

Appendix 3 Tire Collection Service Escalation and Communication Framework

Appendix 1 - Background

Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility Framework

Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) framework is established under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 and Ontario Regulation 225/18, Tires. Under the regulation, producers are individually responsible for collecting and managing tires supplied into the Ontario marketplace at their end of life.

Producers are responsible for establishing and funding a province-wide collection network, including the collection, transportation, and processing of end-of-life tires. Many producers fulfill these obligations through a Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO), which arranges collection and processing services on their behalf. The Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA) oversees producer compliance with the regulation.

Municipalities are not required to provide tire collection services and receive no compensation for accepting residential tires. Niagara Region voluntarily participates in the producer-managed collection network by accepting residential tires at its waste drop-off depots to provide residents with a convenient recycling option and to support waste diversion objectives.

Niagara Region currently accepts residential tires at the following facilities:

- Humberstone Landfill – Welland
- Niagara Road 12 Landfill – West Lincoln
- Bridge Street Depot – Fort Erie

Regional Depots Storage Capacity

Regional tire storage capacity is limited and was established based on available operational areas at each facility.

Facility	Storage Capacity Thresholds
Humberstone Landfill	1,500 tires
Niagara Road 12 Landfill	1,500 tires
Bridge Street Depot	750 tires
Total Regional Capacity	3,750 tires

The storage capacity thresholds take into account tires accumulated in the tire receiving area of the residential waste drop-off depots and stockpiled within designated staging areas.

Exceeding these storage limits creates additional operational challenges, including:

- Tire stockpiles becoming difficult to safely manage, contain, and maintain within designated staging areas.
- Increased manual handling requirements and associated health and safety risks for staff and members of the public.

Increased fire and safety risks associated with larger tire stockpiles due to vandalism or arson and non-compliance with fire safety and operating procedures. Walker Environmental Group, which provides waste disposal services for residents in portions of Niagara not served by Regional facilities, has also experienced similar tire collection service disruptions. Any reduction or suspension of tire acceptance at Walker facilities could place additional demand on Regional drop-off depots.

Under the Tire EPR framework, Niagara Region does not control the frequency of tire collection or the availability of processing capacity. Collection scheduling is the responsibility of the PRO. As a result, prolonged collection delays can cause tire inventories at municipal collection sites to exceed available storage capacity, creating operational, environmental, fire, and health and safety risks that municipalities must manage while continuing to provide voluntary collection services.

Appendix 2 - Municipal Scan and Contingency Measures

Municipalities across Ontario are reporting similar challenges related to delayed tire collection services under Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) framework. While the severity of impacts varies depending on local storage capacity and operational conditions, municipalities are consistently reporting reduced collection frequency, increasing tire inventories, and growing operational, health and safety, and fire risks.

The following examples demonstrate that the current challenges extend beyond Niagara Region and reflect broader capacity constraints within Ontario's producer-managed tire collection and processing system.

Municipality	Current Situation	Contingency Measures
County of Simcoe	Reported more than 31,000 tires stockpiled across eight waste facilities.	Monitoring inventories, advocating for improved collection service, and advising that tire acceptance may be suspended if conditions do not improve.
City of Hamilton	Managing approximately 5,500 tires in storage.	Reviewing operational responses, including reducing the number of tires accepted from residents.
York Region	Collection delays creating uncertainty in collection schedules.	Implemented public messaging encouraging residents to delay tire drop-offs where possible.
Wellington County	Increasing tire inventories due to delayed collection service.	Suspended tire acceptance.
Durham Region	Continued collection delays and limited storage capacity.	Suspended tire acceptance.
Municipality of Chatham-Kent	Collection disruptions affecting multiple waste facilities.	Suspended tire acceptance at three depots and reduced accepted quantities at five remaining depots.
Municipality of South Huron	Collection delays creating operational concerns.	Suspended tire acceptance.
Haldimand County	Ongoing collection delays and increasing storage concerns.	Suspended tire acceptance.

Municipality	Current Situation	Contingency Measures
City of Toronto	Increasing inventories resulting from prolonged collection delays.	Suspended tire acceptance.
City of Barrie	Reported more than 4,200 tires in storage.	Monitoring inventories, advocating for improved collection service, and may suspend tire drop-off if collection challenges persist.
City of Peterborough	8,000 - 9,000 tires stockpiled, compared with a typical 3,000 - 4,000.	May temporarily suspend tire acceptance if tire accumulation continues.

Several municipalities have also reported increased attempts by commercial generators and tire retailers to use municipal collection sites due to difficulties obtaining collection service elsewhere within the producer-managed system.

Collectively, municipalities are implementing a range of contingency measures to manage these ongoing disruptions, including:

- Increasing monitoring of tire inventories and available storage capacity.
- Encouraging residents to delay bringing tires to municipal waste facilities where possible.
- Providing updates through municipal websites, social media, customer service representatives, and on-site signage.
- Directing residents to alternative registered tire collection sites using the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA) Collection Site Finder.
- Reducing the number of tires accepted per visit or restricting tire acceptance at selected facilities.
- Suspending tire acceptance where storage capacity or operational risks have reached unacceptable levels.
- Continuing to advocate through Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs), the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA), the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP), and municipal associations for improvements to collection reliability, processing capacity, and the overall performance of Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility system.

Municipal experience demonstrates that the current tire collection challenges are not isolated to Niagara Region but reflect broader system-wide constraints affecting municipalities participating in Ontario's Tire Extended Producer Responsibility framework.

Appendix 3 - Tire Collection Service Escalation and Communication Framework

This framework supports continued resident access to tire recycling services where operationally feasible while ensuring Regional facilities remain safe, compliant, and capable of proactively managing tire volumes during periods of collection disruption. Safe operations include minimizing excessive accumulation of stockpiles, maintaining site access, protecting worker and public health and safety, and reducing risks associated with unmanaged tire storage, including fire hazards.

Stage	Operating Condition	Triggers	Operational Response	Public Message	Communication & Decision Timing
Green - Normal Operations	Collection service is occurring at a frequency that allows sites to safely manage tire volumes.	Storage areas remain within normal operating limits. PRO collections occurring as expected.	Continue normal operations and monitoring.	No additional communication required.	No additional communication required.

Stage	Operating Condition	Triggers	Operational Response	Public Message	Communication & Decision Timing
Yellow - Collection Delays & Preventative Communication	Collection delays create an increased risk that available storage capacity may be constrained before collection service stabilizes.	One or more of the following: Collection frequency becomes inconsistent or uncertain. Site reaches approx. 50% of available storage capacity based on current inventory levels, collection frequency, and anticipated tire volumes. PRO advises of ongoing collection delays or uncertainty regarding upcoming collections. Staff determine that that proactive communications are needed to moderate incoming tires and preserve available storage capacity.	Continue accepting tires while storage capacity remains available and operational risks can be safely managed. Increase monitoring frequency. Confirm collection schedules with the PRO. Implement proactive communications to moderate incoming tire volumes and preserve available storage capacity.	"Regional depots continue to accept tires however, residents who are able to safely store their tires are encouraged to delay bringing them to Regional drop-off depots until collection services improve. Delaying tire drop-offs will help preserve available storage capacity and support the Region's ability to continue accepting tires. Residents requiring immediate disposal may also use another registered tire collection site. Visit www.rpra.ca/where-to-recycle for alternate locations."	Communications staff are notified once Yellow conditions are identified. Proactive communications are initiated, and staff continue to monitor conditions, collection schedules, and inventory levels to assess the likelihood of progressing to Red. Website updates can be completed within three business days.

Stage	Operating Condition	Triggers	Operational Response	Public Message	Communication & Decision Timing
Red – Suspension of Tire Acceptance	Continued acceptance of tires creates unacceptable operational, health and safety, fire, or regulatory compliance risks associated with exceeding available site storage capacity.	The following conditions exist: Despite preventative measures implemented during the Yellow stage, storage capacity reaches 95% or is expected to be reached before the next collection. The PRO confirms that tire collection is not scheduled for 2 weeks. Tires cannot be safely contained or are impacting operations or emergency access Fire, operational, or health & safety concerns are identified.	Provide Council and public 72 hours notice, where feasible, before suspension. Suspend tire acceptance at affected depot(s). Request immediate collection from the PRO and notify RPRA, as appropriate. Continue monitoring and coordinating with provincial partners and municipalities. Maintain suspension until broader system conditions resuming service.	"Regional drop off depots are experiencing ongoing delays in tire collection under Ontario's Tire EPR System. As a result, tire acceptance at affected depot(s) has been suspended to maintain safe operations. Residents are encouraged to safely store tires where possible or use another available registered tire collection site. See www.rpra.ca/where-to-recycle for alternate disposal locations."	Site supervisors advise management immediately when red-stage conditions are identified. Where feasible, staff will notify senior management and Regional Council before implementing suspension of tire acceptance and initiate the communications plan. Staff will continue to update Council regarding the status of tire collection disruptions, and any changes affecting Regional tire collection services.

Memorandum

CWCD 2026-189**Subject:** Significant Weather Events – Update #3 (final update)**Date:** Friday, August 14, 2026**To:** Regional Council**From:** Lisa De Angelis, Commissioner of Public Works

As you are aware, several communities in Niagara Region experienced three significant weather events recently: July 21, 2026, July 28, 2026 and August 2-3, 2026. The rainfall measurements at Niagara Region's internal weather stations for July 21, July 28, and August 2-3, 2026 are included as Appendix 1.

For the past two weeks, recovery efforts have been underway to address the impact of these significant events and associated flooding. The City of St. Catharines and Town of Lincoln issued a State of Emergency and their respective Emergency Operations Centres (EOCs) have been enacted. The Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake's and Niagara Region's EOCs remain partially enacted. Niagara Region is also providing assistance to the City of Thorold and City of Niagara Falls.

Local Municipal Staff and Elected Officials are reminded that requests for assistance and resources maybe directed to the EOC at anytime by contacting emergencymanagement@niagararegion.ca or 905-667-5629.

Impact on Regional Wastewater Infrastructure

At this time, the Region's wastewater infrastructure is experiencing typical flow and is not currently bypassing. During each of the significant flood events, regional infrastructure was and continues to function as it should. Wastewater treatment facilities are designed and automated to bypass during extreme weather events once maximum treatment capacity has been reached.

Impact on Regional Road and Bridge Infrastructure

Transportation staff are proactively completing enhanced inspections of all regionally owned structures in heavily affected areas. Any deficiencies or concerns identified through these inspections will be logged and prioritized for repair.

Public Works' Waste Management in Collaboration with Local Area Municipalities

City of St. Catharines: City-wide enhanced curbside collection has been extended to August 21, 2026. Collection limits are lifted for flood-related waste placed at the curb on the scheduled collection day. The enhanced service includes household waste, large items without advance booking, and eligible construction, demolition and renovation materials. The City is also providing temporary drop-off locations for flood-related construction, demolition and renovation materials at the Seymour-Hannah Sports Centre and Bill Burgoyne Arena. Landfill tipping fees are waived for flood-affected properties at Humberstone Landfill in Welland and Bridge Street Drop-Off Depot in Fort Erie through August 22, 2026.

Niagara-on-the-Lake: Enhanced waste collection measures for flood-affected properties will continue through August 21, 2026. Flood-affected properties may place an additional three bags or cans at the curb on their scheduled garbage collection day, resulting in a total limit of five bags or cans for low-density residential properties. Regular large-item collection requirements remain in place. The Town also continues to provide temporary roll-off bins at its Operations Yard at 1565 Four Mile Creek Road for residents to drop off flood-related construction, demolition and renovation materials. In addition, the Town has established a registration process for residents requiring collection of larger flood-related items or quantities of waste. Registration remains open until August 14, 2026, with the special collection day taking place on August 17, 2026.

Town of Lincoln: Enhanced curbside collection continues for all flood-affected properties, including both urban and rural areas, through August 21, 2026. Collection limits are lifted for flood-related waste on the scheduled collection day. Landfill tipping fees are waived for flood-affected properties at Niagara Road 12 Landfill through August 22, 2026.

City of Thorold: Enhanced curbside collection is being provided to properties within identified flood-affected areas from August 10 to 14, 2026. Landfill tipping fees are also waived for eligible flood-affected properties at Humberstone Landfill in Welland and Bridge Street Drop-Off Depot in Fort Erie from August 10 to 15, 2026.

Town of Grimsby: Enhanced curbside collection continues to be provided to all flood-affected properties from August 10 to 14, 2026. Collection limits are lifted for flood-related waste. Landfill tipping fees are waived for flood-affected properties at Niagara Road 12 Landfill through August 15, 2026.

City of Niagara Falls: The City of Niagara Falls continues to administer its Flood Recovery Support Program for affected residential properties. Residents must register with the City to receive enhanced curbside collection and waste drop-off support. A second one-day enhanced curbside collection is scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2026. Collection limits will be lifted for registered residents. Registered residents may also receive a waste drop-off pass for Regional waste drop-off facilities. The second drop-off pass will be valid from August 17 to 22, 2026.

Township of West Lincoln: At the Township's request, enhanced waste services will be provided to flood-affected West Lincoln properties during the week of August 17 to 21, 2026. Flood-affected properties will be permitted to set out an additional three bags or cans on their scheduled garbage collection day. Landfill tipping fees will also be waived for flood-affected West Lincoln properties at Niagara Road 12 Landfill from August 18 to 22, 2026.

City of Welland: At the time of writing, the Region's Emergency Operations Centre is following up on and assessing a request from the city.

The remaining local municipalities have not requested any additional services at this time.

Over the past week, the number of requests for assistance has wound down and the management/collection of flood material is well in hand. As such, unless there are extenuating circumstances in the coming week, this will be the last update to Regional Council associated with this series of significant weather events. Requests for information and/or updates can be forwarded at anytime to the EOC at emergencymanagement@niagararegion.ca or 905-667-5629.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Lisa De Angelis, RPP, P. Eng.
Commissioner, Public Works

Appendices

Appendix 1 Niagara Region's Internal Rain Gauges – Update 3

Niagara Region's Internal Rain Gauges
Rainfall (in millimeters) For July 21st, July 28th and August 2nd/3rd

		July 21		July 28		August 2/3	
Weather Station	Municipality	Peak Hr	Total	Peak Hr	Total	Peak Hr	Total
Crystal Beach	Fort Erie	1.3	2.8	0.0	0.0	9.5	17.3
Stevensville Lagoon	Fort Erie	5.8	18.8	0.0	0.0	16.0	41.0
Thompson Road SPS	Fort Erie	6.3	11.8	0.0	0.0	15.5	39.5
Baker Road	Grimsby	59.5	78.0	22.5	48.8	42.3	95.3
Laurie Ave. SPS	Lincoln	62.8	81.8	35.3	72.5	29.3	92.3
Lincoln Town Hall	Lincoln	75.0	105.3	30.0	65.0	40.0	102.8
Garner Road	Niagara Falls	40.8	60.0	2.8	5.3	41.8	111.8
Kalar Road SPS	Niagara Falls	34.8	54.8	21.5	35.3	32.0	121.0
Niagara Falls WWTP	Niagara Falls	25.0	45.0	13.3	38.3	25.0	86.5
SS High Lift SPS	Niagara Falls	43.8	63.3	4.0	7.0	43.0	105.3
SS Low Lift SPS	Niagara Falls	47.3	67.5	3.5	6.3	31.0	91.5
Line 2 Landfill	NOTL	34.8	41.5	62.8	139.0	24.3	91.0
Pelham Office	Pelham	31.0	41.8	0.5	1.0	33.8	103.3
Seaway WWTP	Port Colborne	2.8	5.3	0.0	0.0	26.0	79.0
Port Dalhousie	St. Catharines	48.3	61.3	39.0	112.	32.5	137.3
Port Weller	St. Catharines	27.5	38.0	42.0	111.3	40.8	115.0
Environmental Centre	Thorold	28.8	42.0	23.3	40.5	28.5	110.5
Humberstone	Welland	3.0	8.5	1.3	1.3	19.5	96.8
Ontario Road SPS	Welland	4.8	11.3	1.8	2.3	24.3	92.0
River Road	Welland	6.3	15.3	1.8	2.3	14.0	81.0
NR 12 Landfill	West Lincoln	55.3	77.0	2.5	4.0	26.5	75.0
Smithville SPS	West Lincoln	35.3	50.0	6.5	6.8	39.3	107.8



August 13, 2026

AMO is Hiring!

We're excited to be building out AMO's Communications Team and we're looking for two talented communications professionals to join us: [Senior Communications Advisor](#) and [Strategic Communications Planner](#).

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Provincial Matters

Municipal Energy Plan Grant Program Review

The Ministry of Energy and Mines is consulting on how to improve the [Municipal Energy Plan grant program](#) so municipalities can advance energy infrastructure initiatives. [Comment by August 22.](#)

Ministry of Natural Resources Project Evaluation Changes

The Ministry is seeking feedback on a new [Project Evaluation Policy](#) to replace the Class EA-RSFD by August 24, 2026. [Register for the July 30 virtual information session](#) to learn more.

Conservation Authorities Consultation

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is consulting on a mechanism to determine how many members participating municipalities appoint to regional conservation authorities. [Respond by September 12.](#)

Federal Matters

Community Infrastructure Funding Deadline Extended

Southern Ontario municipalities now have until August 6 to submit projects for community infrastructure funding from the [Build Communities Strong Fund Local Impact Stream](#).

Rail Safety Improvement Funding

Municipalities are eligible to [apply for federal funding](#) to improve safety at high-risk rail crossings and along rail lines. Application deadlines are August 21 or September 4.

Antenna Siting Consultation Deadline Extended

The federal government's consultation on changes to how cell towers are sited has been extended to September 22. [Click here for more information.](#)

Events & Education

- **AUG 16 - 19 - 2026 AMO Annual Conference**

The municipal voice is strongest when united, and the AMO Conference is where that strength meets direct access to decision-makers. On-site registration is available.

See the Full Event Calendar

LAS AMO Business Services

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Visit the AMO-LAS Business Services' digital partners this Sunday and Monday at the AMO Conference tradeshow. [Visit our website](#) to learn more about these services.

Help your Community Work Better

AMO-LAS Business Services will be exhibiting at the AMO Conference. Visit our booth to learn more about our services, and drop off your business card for a chance to win a \$200 donation for your community library.

Join Us for Breakfast on August 18 at the AMO Conference

Join the LAS-AMO Business Services team for an interactive breakfast workshop at the AMO Conference on August 18 in the Ontario Room at the Westin Hotel. [Please complete this survey](#) to help shape future programs. We'll share the results at the breakfast session.

Group Benefits for All Needs and Budgets

The [AMO/LAS Group Benefits program](#) offered by Mosey & Mosey helps reduce your employee group benefit costs. The plan offerings are customizable to your municipality's needs. For more information, you can visit their booth #325 at the AMO Conference.

Help Protect Homeowners from Sewer and Water Line Repair Costs

The AMO/LAS endorsed [Sewer & Water Line Warranty service](#), offered through SLWC, helps residential property owners avoid expensive repair costs for clogs, leaks, and breaks to the water and sewer lines running from their home to the municipal connection. Look for their booth #719 at the AMO Conference.

We just can't wait to get on the road again...

Planning is underway for our fall road trips in southern Ontario. Keep an eye on your email for the opportunity to learn what's new at LAS and share feedback on some of the challenges you face. Contact [Tanner](#) or [Christian](#) to schedule your 1:1 visit.

We're Ready to Announce the All Risk Municipal Grant Winners

Don't miss the live announcement of the [All Risk Municipal Grant](#) recipients at the AMO Conference on August 17, and be sure to visit the Intact Public Entities (513) booth while you're there!

ONE Investment**Making the Right Municipal Investments**

Municipal investors should have a thoughtful long-term investment strategy. Visit the [ONE Investment](#) booth at the AMO Conference to learn more.

MUNICIPAL PARTNERS***National Homelessness Reduction Award Opportunity**

The Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness (CAEH) is accepting nominations for awards to recognize efforts to reduce homelessness in communities. This includes a [Municipal Leadership Award](#). The call closes August 20.

Careers

[Senior Communications Advisor - Association of Municipalities of Ontario \(AMO\).](#)

Closing Date: September 11, 2026.

[Strategic Communications Planner - Association of Municipalities of Ontario \(AMO\).](#)

Closing Date: September 11, 2026.

[Supervisor, Homelessness and Outreach Services - Regional Municipality of Durham.](#)
Closing Date: August 11, 2026

[Senior Economic Development Officer - County of Simcoe.](#) Closing Date: August 21, 2026

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

AMO Calls for Bill 100 Reversal

AMO calls for the province to restore local voice and keep local governance accountable to the communities they serve by reversing the appointment of Regional Chairs through Bill 100, *Better Regional Governance Act*. [Read the AMO Policy Update.](#)

Canada-Ontario Development Charges Reduction Program

On June 1, the federal and Ontario governments launched The Canada-Ontario Development Charge Reduction Program. Municipalities have until June 19, 2026 to submit projects for funding consideration. [Read AMO's Policy Update for more information.](#)

New Code of Conduct Bill Passes,

Bill 9, the Municipal Accountability Act, passed third reading, a significant achievement for the municipal sector. Read the [AMO Policy Update.](#)

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