



MHCA sets priorities for 2013

Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (MHCA) President, **Chris Lorenc** presented his 2013 Priorities Report at the Association's AGM Friday November 23, 2012.

The full priorities report can be viewed/downloaded here:

http://www.mhca.mb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/MHCA_Priorities_2013.pdf

Otherwise, here are some of the highlights:

Long Term Infrastructure Program (LTIP)

Promote a federal Long Term Infrastructure Program (LTIP) which focuses on infrastructure investment supporting economic growth, rehabilitation and maintenance; engaging and expanding private sector participation; and leveraging sustained municipal and provincial funding participation.

To this end, we have made submissions to and will continue to press the federal government in a collaborative manner to focus on sustained, smart, investments in Canada's infrastructure.

Infrastructure and the Economy

Roll out in January 2013, a report which asserts that sustained, strategic private and public sector investment fuels economic growth and funds our quality of life, as the basis for sustained attention to infrastructure investment.

In support of that approach, we were asked by the **Canadian Construction Association (CCA)** to oversee the development of a report under contract with the...

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Welcome NEW MHCA Members !

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Priorities continued from page 1...

...**Canada West Foundation**, the highlights of which were presented earlier by **Casey Vander Ploeg**, Senior researcher with the Canada West Foundation. The report, its findings and messages will be released likely mid January 2013 and will form the basis around which we link economic growth to strategies underpinning the LTIP.

WORKSAFELY™

Promote the WORKSAFELY™ Program and its COR™ Certification as the standard for workplace safety practices.

Heavy Construction EXPO

Continue to offer the Heavy Construction EXPO as the annual venue for certified education and training with which to attract, train and retain workers for the heavy construction industry.

400 Members in 2013

The MHCA will be 70 years old in 2013 and we have identified reaching and surpassing the 400 membership mark in 2013. We attracted 52 new members in 2012 and are at present 362 members strong and growing. A clear strategy will be developed to attract, engage and retain members in our association.

MHCA Member Priorities - Our Focus

As always, the MHCA will focus on and respond to member priorities however large or small the concern might be and regardless of geographic origin. Whether it is reviewing the Quarry Rehab Program, licenses levies and related charges imposed by municipalities, taxation policies of the provincial government, reviewing the effectiveness of the Construction Management Degree Program, addressing timely utility locates, monitoring the Construction Industry Wages Act, addressing regulatory efficiencies, public service delivery of private sector areas of business, the MHCA will continue to be the voice of the heavy construction industry.

MHCA 2012 RRC Bursaries



Congrats to **Matthew Holoka** (pictured above), MHCA Cornerstone Award winner! The MHCA Cornerstone Award is presented in memory of Hugh Munro, founder of Hugh Munro Construction.

Presenting the award, is MHCA Chairman, **Henry Borger**. The MHCA has established the MHCA Cornerstone Award to recognize its past Board Chairs who since 1945 have, in assuming the leadership roles expected of a Board Chair, laid the cornerstone foundations upon which the MHCA has been built.

Julia Vossen (MHCA Construction Management Student Award recipient) was not available to attend the awards ceremony at Red River College on November 29, 2012.

The MHCA Construction Management Student Award was established by MHCA with donations from Association Members to support students entering the Construction Management Degree Program.

MHCA Chairman's Gala at the Winnipeg Convention Centre

Friday November 23, 2012



Visit us on www.facebook.com/ManitobaHeavy for the full MHCA Gala photo gallery!

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MHCA Media Monitor

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"Eurocrisis: Method in the Madness?" by Peter G. Hall - *Economic Development Canada* - (December 6, 2012)

"Good news is getting more airplay these days. It's a great relief, following years of gloom, and this time, perception seems well-anchored in actual data. It's doubly encouraging that economic improvement is occurring in spite of persistent nagging headwinds...." **Read the full article:**

<http://www.edc.ca/EN/Knowledge-Centre/Subscriptions/Weekly-Commentary/Pages/eurocrisis-method-in-the-madness.aspx>

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"Minister Flaherty Recognizes the Importance of Public-Private Partnerships" Media Release - (November 26, 2012)

"The Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance, today highlighted the significant contribution public-private partnerships (P3s) are making in modernizing Canada's infrastructure in an address to.."

Read the full article:

<http://news.gc.ca/web/article-eng.do?nid=708969>

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"Countries look to Canada for P3 knowledge" *Journal of Commerce* - (December 3, 2012)

"At the time of the first national conference of the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships (CCPPP), the country had just begun to embrace the P3 (public-private partnership) model...."

Read the full article:

<http://www.journalofcommerce.com/article/id53024/--countries-look-to-canada-for-p3-knowledge>

MHCA's 2013 Board of Directors



Top row - left to right: Warren Sigfusson, Mickey Stanley, Mike Smith, Calvin Edie, Greg Orbanski, Craig Erb, Ron Duncan
Bottom row - left to right: Chris Lorenc, Bob Reidy, Henry Borger, Derek Walker, Barry Arnason

Executive Committee

MHCA Board Chair - Henry Borger, M.Sc., MBA - Borland Construction Inc.

MHCA President - Chris Lorenc, B.A., LL.B.

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At Large - Nicole Chabot, G.S.C. - L. Chabot Enterprises Ltd.

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Winnipeg

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Ron Duncan - Tri-Core Projects Manitoba Ltd.

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PC Party of Manitoba: Workers Should Have Right To Choose



Brian Pallister

Earlier this week, Manitoba's Progressive Conservative Party called on the provincial government to end what it calls forced unionization of government projects.

PC Leader, **Brian Pallister** said in a media release, "this forced unionization strategy prevents as many as 70 percent of

the province's construction workers from making their own choice on whether to join a union."

The Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (MHCA) prefers that government, at any level, gives contractors and/or their workforce the right to compete fairly and openly for government tenders based on price, experience and level of service, while offering the option, free of bias, for construction workers to opt out of joining a union.

Furthermore, MHCA advocates that governments include direct representation from business and industry associations when creating project agreements.



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



Last year, MHCA invested in a new brand identity that you see throughout *The Heavy News Weekly*. If you are a proud MHCA member and wish to download and use our NEW logos for your marketing initiatives, please visit:

www.mhca.mb.ca/media/logos



Groundbreaker - MHCA's new quarterly magazine was shipped to our members and key stakeholders last week!

You can view the magazine online now by clicking the link below!

<http://tinyurl.com/c5v74ek>

CentrePort Canada Update



Canada's Centre for Global Trade
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

CentrePort participated in two major events in Winnipeg, starting with the 2012 North America's Corridor Coalition (NASCO) conference, which included delegates from the United States and Mexico.

The city also hosted Centrallia, a business-to-business networking and global trade conference that drew more than 700 participants from all over the world.

Centrallia provided the back drop for the announcement of the new board of the World Trade Centre Winnipeg (which includes CentrePort's **Diane Gray**) and for a familiarization tour of Winnipeg involving eight American site selectors.

CN also announced this fall that it will be building a new 100,000 square-foot training centre in Winnipeg, one of only two to be built in North America. The other is near Chicago.

CN's investment in Winnipeg shows confidence in our city as a key transportation hub within North America and supports the growth and development plans now unfolding at CentrePort, Canada's only tri-modal inland port and foreign trade zone.

CENTREPORT CANADA and Freshwater Fish Marketing Corp. (FFMC) have teamed up to export frozen, wild-caught Manitoba pickerel (walleye) and lake whitefish to China using radio frequency identification (RFID) technology to secure and track the shipment.

The 68-kilogram shipment to Shanghai last week marks the first time CentrePort's RFID cargo-security system has been used to guarantee the origin and authenticity of Manitoba freshwater fish. It will help determine whether there is a consumer market for pickerel and whitefish in China.

"The RFID will help Freshwater differentiate ourselves and more effectively sell into this market," John Wood, FFMC president and CEO, told the Winnipeg Free Press.

Diane Gray, president and CEO of CentrePort, said food counterfeiting is a serious concern in China and the RFID tags assure consumers that the products are wild-caught and from Canada.

CentrePort's cargo-tracking program was launched earlier in 2012 with partner and RFID creator Invent IOT Technology.

WCB's average assessment rates remain stable



The average WCB assessment rate in Manitoba will remain stable at \$1.50 effective January 1, 2013, maintaining one of the lowest average rates in Canada.

Manitoba employers can depend on stable and predictable assessment rates in 2013. They will pay an average of \$1.50 per \$100.00 of their assessable payroll to the WCB for injury insurance coverage, including wage loss payments, medical benefits and rehabilitation services. Their rate may be higher or lower than average, depending on the employer's injury experience and the safety and health risk of their industry.

"Our rates are the third lowest in the country thanks to a number of factors like safer workplaces and healthy investment returns," says **Winston Maharaj**, WCB President and CEO. "We continue to offer a competitive advantage for Manitoba employers."

Maharaj adds that employers can help reduce assessment rates by improving health and safety at their workplaces and strengthening return to work programs.

"Employers play a critical role in working with injured workers to develop return to work programs," says Maharaj. "By formalizing and implementing health and safety procedures, employers are not only investing in the welfare of their workers but also helping to reduce their business costs."

Overall, about 38 per cent of employers will pay lower WCB assessment rates in 2013, while 11 per cent will pay more and 49 per cent will not see a change in their rates. Those employers with consistently low injury experience will pay the lowest rates within their industry.

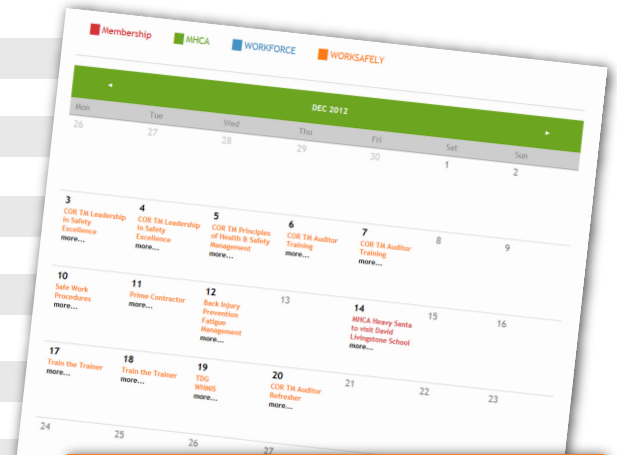
The gradual increase in the maximum assessable earnings cap also continues, with the 2013 ceiling set at \$111,000.

Training Schedule

Winnipeg Schedule:

Construction Safety Excellence™

COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence	December 3-4
COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management	December 5
COR™ Auditor	December 6-7
Safe Work Procedures	December 10
Prime Contractor	December 11
Back Injury Prevention (1/2 day AM)	December 12
Fatigue Management (1/2 day PM)	December 12
Train the Trainer	December 17-18
WHMIS (1/2 day AM)	December 19
TDG (1/2 day PM)	December 19
COR™ Auditor Refresher (1/2 day AM)	December 20
First Aid 1- CPR	December 21



FOR THE FULL CALENDAR
www.mhca.mb.ca/worksafely

To Register: Email: sarah@mhca.mb.ca OR Fax: 204-943-2279

For the most up to date training schedule for the coming months visit 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.
 January 28th - February 1st, 2013

COR™ Leadership in Safety Excellence	January 28th - 29th
COR™ Principles of Health & Safety Management	January 30th
COR™ Auditor	Jan 31st - Feb 1st

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

Construction Safety Excellence™

Please note that a minimum of 6 students is required to hold the training.
 WORKSAFELY™ policy states cancellation must be made at least two business days in advance otherwise full course fee charge will apply.



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ANNUAL CURLING CLASSIC

Thursday January 10, 2013

Heather Curling Club • 120 Youville Street • 8:00am – 5:00pm

REGISTRATION

Entry Fee: **\$225.00 + GST /TEAM** - OR - **\$56.25 + GST / INDIVIDUAL**

Price Includes: - a fun day of curling & networking – coffee, donuts – a fabulous buffet lunch!!

I would like to enter a team of 4 curlers _____

I would like to enter as a single player _____

I would just like to attend the delicious lunch

(\$30.00 + gst) _____

PRIZE DONATIONS

I would like to make a cash donation towards prizes:

\$50.00 _____

\$100.00 _____

\$150.00 _____

Company: _____ Contact Person: _____

Ph: _____ Fax: _____ Please invoice (members only): _____

Visa/MC/AMEX: _____ Exp Date: _____

Card Holder: _____ Signature: _____

Fax this form to MHCA office: 204-943-2279 For more information call Christine: 204-947-1379 or email: christine@mhca.mb.ca

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

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\$225.00/EACH

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- Recognition at lunch time.
- A 'Thank You' recognition in the MHCA Heavy News Weekly.

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December 6, 2012

Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation
www.gov.mb.ca/tgs/contracts/tenders/index.html

TENDER NO 6279 – REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT

Location: Burnt Lake Drain on PTH 6 (North of Lundar)

Tender Availability: Currently Available

Tender Due: 12:00 Noon, December 6, 2012

Owner: Infrastructure and Transportation

Phone: 204-945-3637

Construction of a Triple Cell Reinforced Concrete Box Culvert in Burnt Lake Drain on Provincial Trunk Highway 6, 7 km North of Provincial Road 419, North of Lundar, located in Section 35-20-5W in the Municipality of Coldwell, Bridge Site No. 2783-10.

TENDER NO. 6280 – STOCKPILING AGGREGATE

Location: Melita-Virden-Birtle-Russell Area

Tender Availability: Currently available

Tender Due: 12:00 Noon, December 11, 2012

Owner: Infrastructure and Transportation

Phone: 204-945-3637

The work involves supplying, crushing, loading, hauling and stockpiling aggregate for use on Provincial Roads in the Municipalities of Ellice, Birtle, Wallace, Woodworth, Pipestone, Sifton, Daly, Hamiota, Edward, Brenda and Arthur. Major items of work include:

- 23 450 t of Stockpiling Traffic Gravel, Class “C” (Modified)
- 4 500 t of Stockpiling Traffic Gravel, Class “A”
- 13 600 t of Stockpiling Seal Coat Cover, Class “A”

TENDER NO. 6281 – REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT

Location: Gillespie Drain (South of Gladstone)

Tender Availability: Currently available

Tender Due: 12:00 Noon, December 13, 2012

Owner: Infrastructure and Transportation

Phone: 204-945-3637

Construction of a Double Cell Reinforced Concrete Box Culvert in Gillespie Drain on Provincial Trunk Highway 34, approximately 14km north of Provincial Trunk Highway 1, south of Gladstone, located in Section 6-13-11W in the Municipality of Westbourne, Bridge Site No. 0985-10.

TENDER NO. 6282 – STOCKPILING AGGREGATE

Location: Minnedosa-Brandon-Boissevain-Killarney Area

Tender Availability: Currently available

Tender Due: 12:00 Noon, December 13, 2012

Owner: Infrastructure and Transportation

Phone: 204-945-3637

The work involves supplying, crushing, loading, hauling and stockpiling aggregate for use on Provincial Roads in the Municipalities of Harrison, Langford, North Cypress, Saskatchewan, Cornwallis, South Cypress, Oakland, Whitewater, Strathcona, Argyle, Morton and Glenwood. Major items of work include:

- 30 700 t of Stockpiling Traffic Gravel, Class “C” (Modified)
- 2 600 t of Stockpiling Seal Coat Cover, Class “A”

City of Winnipeg (As of December 6, 2012) www.winnipeg.ca

TENDER NO. 901-2012 – PROVISION OF TREE PRUNING AND REMOVAL SERVICES

Tender Availability: Currently available

Tender Due: 12:00 Noon, December 18, 2012

Owner: City of Winnipeg

Phone: 204-986-2293

Other

RFQ# EA-3958-2012/13 – SEPTIC PUMPING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1 2013 TO DECEMBER 31, 2013 FOR VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE NORTH WHITESHELL IN THE RENNIE AND SEVEN SISTERS DISTRICTS.

Submission Deadline: 2:00 PM, December 13, 2012

Owner: Conservation and Water Stewardship, Rennie and Seven Sisters Districts

Tender documents may be obtained from Conservation and Water Stewardship, Rennie District Office by telephoning (204) 369-3153



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Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation
www.gov.mb.ca/tgs/contracts/tenders/index.html

TENDER NO. 6276-- JACKING CONCRETE CULVERTS, PTH 10, SOUTH OF THE PAS

Closing: November 29, 2012

Results:

(M) Sigfusson Northern Ltd. (COR™)	\$1,464,777.00
(M) Main Line Industries (COR™)	\$1,600,136.00
Marathon Drilling Co. Ltd.	\$1,796,400.00
(M) Nelson River Construction Inc. (COR™)	\$2,048,011.00
(M) Borland Construction Inc. (COR™)	\$2,237,495.00

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EVALUATED RESULTS

TENDER NO. 825-2012 – 2012 WASTEWATER SEWER RENEWALS BY EXTERNAL POINT REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS – CONTRACT NO. 12

Closing: November 29, 2012

Results:

(M) Al-San Underground Ltd. (COR™)	\$1,083,265.00
(M) Nelson River Construction Inc. (COR™)	\$1,249,346.00
(M) Darco Enterprises Ltd. (COR™)	\$1,376,404.00
(M) Beaver Sewer & Water Services Ltd. (COR™)	\$1,473,058.00
(M) Cambrian Excavators Ltd. (COR™)	\$1,506,701.00