



NEWSLETTER
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TSAG Remote Learning Opportunities MARCH & APRIL 2021



TSAG's Circuit Rider Training Program, Sustainable Communities Program, and Housing Condition Assessment Program (HCAP) have been busy developing resources to transition some of our training opportunities into remote learning opportunities. Our offerings include live virtual classroom courses as well as self-paced online courses.

Here are the upcoming remote learning opportunities:

MARCH 2021

March 9

Spring thaw and solid waste management planning session

March 16-17

AWWOA Level one preparation part B TSAG online classroom (5.0 CEU's)

APRIL 2021

April 6- May 4

Skills Link Pathways to Success, 1 hour every Tuesday evening

April 13-14

AWWOA Level two Water Treatment Certification preparation TSAG online classroom (1.5 CEU's)

April 27-28

AWWOA Level two Water Distribution Certification preparation TSAG online classroom (1.2 CEU's)



TSAG also is offering the Introduction to Water and Wastewater Systems IWWS. This is a self-paced online course that operators can start at any time. This training covers the very basics of the water and wastewater industry and has been designed to provide new operators with basic knowledge of the industry with a high focus on safety in the initial units in the course. For more information and/or to register, please follow the link provided

<https://www.tsag.net/documents/Introduction%20to%20Water%20and%20Wastewater%20Systems%20Online.pdf>

We are continuing to add courses as they are developed, so please visit www.tsag.net often to check for additional announcements!






IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN...

Spring Thaw and Solid Waste Management

Has your mixed metals pile grown over the winter?

Hauling material away for recycling before spring break-up can help set your site up for success. The following options should be considered by your community to ensure you are moving out as much material as possible as economically as possible:

- Check with your regional landfill and ask which companies collect their material and when they have their next scheduled pick up;
- Call a couple of processors in your area to see who is available and will offer the best service;
- Aggregate all of your metals into one area that provides adequate space for equipment to maneuver safely;
- Encourage community members to clean up their yards and bring segregated materials to the transfer station before the thaw; and
- Ensure site attendants are wearing appropriate PPE and are limiting physical contact with waste materials.



Want to learn more?

Join us March 9, 9:00 – 10:30 for a Zoom Webinar!

No fee – participate by telephone or computer. Contact Pam Haggarty phaggarty@tsag.net or 780-935-4042 for the session link information.

Spring Thaw Seasonal Planning

Virtually meet with:
Tom Kinderwater and Aaron Campbell
& Other Managers, Site Supervisors and
Operators to discuss:

- Pre and Post Thaw planning
 - Operational Efficiencies for
- **Administration**
 - project overlap, communications
- **Collections**
 - road conditions, scheduling
- **Landfill or Transfer Station Site**
 - Run-on/Run-off

Participants will be provided with word
document versions of checklists and handouts
for topics covered

Who should attend?

Public Works Directors

Managers

Landfill and Transfer Station supervisors

Operators,

Waste collection drivers



The Newest
Addition to TSAG's
Online Learning



Pathways to Success



Installment one of the Pathway to Success series is dedicated to communication, job searching, interviewing skills, and what to expect when you land your job! It's a great opening series that will give participants a solid set of skills and attributes that employers today are looking for.

Although the course content is online, we will be mailing out a course manual to participants, allowing them to follow along during the course. The manual contains more detailed information about each subject area and provides participants with a more well-rounded learning experience.

Participants will be primed and polished after taking this introductory course and will be well on their way to impressing employers and securing roles suited to their success.

Join us for Series 1 and come prepared for an information-packed, activity-driven, knowledge-based way to securing the job you want!

This series is geared to Alberta First Nations Youth aged 15-30. The commitment is one hour one evening per week from 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm (with an additional 30 minute open forum for additional discussion) for 5 weeks. Participants will receive communication help, resume building assistance, interviewing training, as well as job hunting and securing a role "what to expect" information. Successful participants will receive a TSAG course certificate upon course completion.

TO REGISTER
**CLICK
HERE**

or visit

[https://tsag.net/
pathwaystosuccess.html](https://tsag.net/pathwaystosuccess.html)



ALBERTA INDIGENOUS VIRTUAL CARE CLINIC

Call 1.888.342.4822 today

www.AIVCC.ca

What is AIVCC?

The Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic (AIVCC) was launched in October of 2020 to provide same day care to rural and urban First Nations, Métis, and Inuit individuals via secure video or phone service. The goal of the clinic is to use virtual care as an opportunity to bridge gaps in access to health in rural areas, as well as opening doors for chronically under-served urban Indigenous populations. The clinic is staffed by Alberta-based physicians experienced in Indigenous health and cultural safety. We are pleased to say that word is getting out and the number of people utilizing the clinic is increasing!





How it Works

- Patients, families, or caregivers/allied health professionals may call the toll free number to speak with a Medical Office Assistant (MOA) and request an appointment with our physicians
- Patient's scheduled appointment with the doctor will take place using secure protocols for virtual care. If the patient has access to the internet, the appointment will be a video call from the patient's location
- Patients who do not have internet access can request a phone appointment
- Nurses or Community Health Centre staff can request appointments with or on behalf of their patients and the appointments can take place at the Health Centre using the telehealth equipment or at the patient's location
- All patients will be connected with appropriate local clinical resources including family doctors, if available
- All participating physicians have committed to the principles and practices of cultural safety and humility and have established positive working relationships with Indigenous communities



To request an appointment, please call

**ALBERTA INDIGENOUS
VIRTUAL CARE CLINIC**
Call 1.888.342.4822

Hours:

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Saturday – Sunday: 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm

For more information
please contact info@aivcc.ca
Or visit www.AIVCC.ca



With the addressing system in place we are able to get directions from a home on Seeta Road in Atkamung to a residence in Utikoomak Lake 155A

This example from Google Maps shows a successful addressing project developed by TSAG with Whitefish Lake First Nation

Rural Addressing Project

Utikoomak Lake 155 Seeta Road

24 min
26.1 km

202 Utikuma Drive

from: 202 Utikuma Dr, Atkamung, AB T5G 0G0
to: 155 Seeta Rd, Atkamung, AB T5G 0G0

24 min (26.1 km)
via Whitefish River Rd and AB-750 S
Fastest route

202 Utikuma Dr
Atkamung, AB T5G 0G0

- ↑ Head northwest on Utikuma Dr toward Trappers Ln 1.4 km
- ↘ Turn right to stay on Utikuma Dr 2.7 km
- ↙ Turn left 280 m
- ↑ Continue onto Whitefish River Rd 11.3 km
- ↙ Turn left onto AB-750 S 9.5 km
- ↘ Turn right onto Rose Dr 330 m
- ↘ Turn right onto Seeta Rd 150 m

155 Seeta Rd
Atkamung, AB T5G 0G0



We provide your Nation with a road naming worksheet



Nation decides on road names. Chief and council approve of named roads



If road names aren't desired we impart street numbering from the ATS grid



We create home and business addressing numbers while making the information digital



Google Maps



We submit your Nations addressing to the AMDSP and Google Maps



Having addressing in place allows first responders to immediately determine where to go and provides turn-by-turn navigation for delivery and emergencies vehicles



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Local Addressing Systems for First Nations

TSAG's lead GIS technician, Gregg Muller, has been busy working with First Nations in Alberta to establish local addressing information that Nations can have available for everything from improved emergency management accessibility to better food and parcel delivery options. TSAG works closely with key stakeholders in each community that can liaise with local leadership and choose to select names for roads in the nation or apply a grid system (or a combination of both).



Following leadership approval the new addressing information is uploaded into the Alberta Municipal Data Sharing Partnership (AMDSP) as well as Google Maps. The AMDSP is a non-profit entity that supplies addressing information to emergency management agencies across Alberta. Our goal is having easy-to-use house addresses and road names for all Nations.

For more information on the program, click here:
https://tsag.net/documents/TSAG_Addressing_Overview.pdf.

If you are interested in getting your community into the project please contact Gregg Muller at gmuller@tsag.net.

MISTIKWASTOTIN RD

KASKAMAN ROAD

Road names selected by Mikisew Cree honour some of the original families to reside in Dog Head and Allison Bay

