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Important Notice to all Chief Administrative Officers And Elected Officials

Feedback requested: Mitigation and Preparedness Program

Manitoba Municipal Relations and Manitoba Infrastructure would like your input on the development of a new Mitigation and Preparedness Program (MPP).

Announced earlier this year, the MPP will support municipalities in mitigating against future disasters. Under the program, when Manitoba establishes a Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) program that is eligible for cost-sharing with Canada under DFA Arrangements, municipalities would have the option either to:

- pay the provincial/municipal DFA deductible (based on the new formula); or
- invest an amount equal to the Municipality's DFA deductible into a disaster mitigation and preparedness project. If the project proposed by the municipality is approved by Manitoba, Manitoba would then reimburse municipalities for 100% of their eligible DFA claim.

Municipalities interested in participating in this engagement process can do so through the Government of Manitoba's EngageMB website:

English site: <https://engagemb.ca/mpp>

French site: <https://participationmb.ca/mpp-fr>

This site will show an informational webinar about the new MPP to better understand how it will work. Participants will also be asked to complete a survey after viewing the webinar to help finalize administrative requirements for the new program. Please note that this engagement is geared toward municipal staff having a role in the administration of a DFA program, as well as elected municipal officials. If you do not have an account on EngageMB, you will be prompted to register.

This engagement opportunity closes on November 13, 2020. Please send any questions you have to MPP@gov.mb.ca.