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YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP PROGRAM DEADLINE

The deadline to apply for the next round of the APAS Youth Leadership and Mentorship program is end of the day today, September 30. Download and fill out the application form from APAS.ca/mentorship and submit it to info@apas.ca. APAS is also pleased to announce that Can-AM has come on board as a sponsor of the APAS Youth Leadership and Mentorship program.



FEDERAL ELECTION PROPOSALS

APAS members have identified the five most important agricultural issues ahead of the 2019 federal election. You can read APAS' 2019 federal election proposals at APAS.ca/election. The proposals have been submitted to the federal parties and any responses APAS receives will be posted there as well.

SASKATCHEWAN FARMERS' VOICE

The next edition of our magazine has gone to print and should be arriving in mailboxes in early October. Saskatchewan Farmers' Voice is free and is delivered directly to every farm mailbox in Saskatchewan. If you are not receiving your copies or you don't have a farm mailbox but would like to receive Saskatchewan Farmers' Voice, please let the APAS office know at info@apas.ca.

2019 APAS AGM

Registration is now open at APAS.ca/agm for the 2019 APAS AGM being held December 4-6 at the Queensbury Convention Centre in Regina. The public is welcome to register and attend the APAS AGM, and this year APAS is offering to cover the expenses for five Saskatchewan farmers to attend. If you are interested in ag policy issues and would like to attend, please email info@apas.ca with your information.

SEEDROYALTYSURVEY.COM

APAS, along with the Alberta Federation of Agriculture and the Keystone Ag Producers of Manitoba, have been soliciting feedback from producers about proposed changes to the seed royalty structure for cereal crops at seedroyaltysurvey.com. Please take a minute to fill out the survey online before it closes on October 15.



RURAL INTERNET AND CELL PHONE SURVEY

APAS is also looking for information about producers' experiences with cell and internet service in rural Saskatchewan. Please take a minute to fill out the short survey at APAS.ca/rural-survey.

FALL DISTRICT MEETINGS

APAS will be holding a fall meeting in each of the six districts, dates TBD because of harvest. Keep watching APAS.ca and the APAS social media accounts for the announcement of the Fall district meeting date and location near you.

TRADE WAR MITIGATION PROGRAM FOR CANADIAN GRAIN FARMERS

APAS Rep for Corman Park #344 and retired USask Professor Ken Rosaasen has written an article proposing a trade war mitigation program for Canadian grain farmers that has been published in several publications. You can read it at APAS.ca/trade.

GRAIN DRYER BUYERS AND LICENSING GUIDE

SaskPower has released a guide for buying and installing gas-fired grain dryers. Read it at <http://bit.ly/2kvE6Jq>.

WELCOME TO APAS

RMs #501 Frenchman Butte, #459 Kinistino and #307 Elfros have decided to participate in APAS, bringing APAS' membership to 137 RMs.

RURAL MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

The Do More Agriculture Foundation is teaming up again with Farm Credit Canada to offer free mental health training sessions in rural communities across Canada. [Applications for the Community Fund for Mental Health First Aid can be found here](#) and are due by October 10, 2019.

APAS IN THE NEWS

- [APAS president urges farmers to 'talk to people' during stressful, late harvest](#) - Global Regina
- [Farmer slams carbon tax's grain drying cost](#) - Western Producer
- [Waiting For Agriculture Policy Details in the Federal Election Campaign](#) - CJWW
- [Sask issues primer: trade barriers still top of mind for farmers in election campaign](#) - Saskatoon StarPhoenix
- [APAS Urges Farmers to Take Seed Royalty Survey](#) - Discover Estevan
- [Canadian railways report record grain movement, CN announces ag advisory council](#) - RealAgriculture.com
- [What do farmers really think about seed royalties?](#) - Country Guide
- [Massive water linkage an idea whose time has come: Goodale](#) - Saskatoon StarPhoenix
- [Saskatchewan farm group urges government to support producers through drought](#) - Globe and Mail

UPCOMING DATES

- December 4-6 - APAS AGM, Regina

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If you have questions about or wish to comment on anything you have read in APAS in Action, please feel free to contact the APAS office at info@apas.ca or (306) 789-7774 ext. 6.