

MEA QUARTERLY UPDATE



MEA CONFERENCE 2025

MEA 2025 Conference & AGM- London

Registration for the MEA's 2025 Conference & AGM is now open!

This year's event is hosted by the City of London and will be held November 11 - 14 at RBC Place Conference Centre in downtown London (300 York Street). DoubleTree by Hilton (300 King Street) will be the host hotel.

This year's conference theme is: **Building for Tomorrow: Sustainable Infrastructure for Growing Cities**

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for the Conference and for information on hotel reservations.

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MEA CONFERENCE 2025

MEA 2025 Conference & AGM- Registrations Open (Continued)

Summary of the Conference Program:

- 36+ Technical Presentations (2 concurrent sessions, Wed-Fri)
- Tradeshow (Wed.-Thurs.): featuring 45+ product/equipment/engineering vendors,
- Tradeshow Launch Event (Tues. evening)
- MEA's Awards Luncheon (Wed.)
- MEA's Annual General Meeting (Thurs morning)
- 3 Tours to choose from (Thurs afternoon)
- Annual Steve Carroll East-West Hockey Classic (Thurs afternoon)
- President's Gala (Thurs evening)
- Hospitality Networking Events
- Wednesday Evening Social Event at the Factory London (100 Kellogg) (food/refreshments, live band and games)

Attending the MEA Conference can be applied toward the PEO's mandatory Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program. Full conference attendance would represent up to 14 CPD hours. Single day attendance would represent up to 7 CPD hours (Wed); 3.5 hours (Thurs) and 3.5 hours (Fri).

The MEA has made arrangements with DoubleTree by Hilton to be the host conference hotel. DoubleTree is directly connected to RBC Place Conference Centre via an elevated walkway. Hotel rates start at \$199 per night (+ taxes); this rate is available until October 19, 2025.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's conference.

MEA Awards Program 2025

The MEA recognizes its members through an annual awards program and is actively seeking nominations for the 2025 “MEA Award” which recognizes an Engineer or Engineers forming a Project Team who have provided outstanding service to society and the community, been recognized for work related accomplishments in an engineering project of above average merit, and/or have a record of long-term service.

[**CLICK HERE**](#) for more details about the Awards Program.

Nominations can be made online by [**CLICKING HERE**](#).

The nomination deadline is Friday September 12, 2025.

Awards will be presented at the MEA’s Awards Luncheon on November 12, 2025, during the 2025 MEA Conference & AGM.

OSPE is Offering a Course on Building Climate Resilient Communities

As climate change impacts communities across Canada, integrating climate and equity considerations into municipal planning is key to building resilience and ensuring reliable services.

Understanding Equity-Informed Climate Risk & Vulnerability Assessments, is a course offered by the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE). Designed for municipalities, it provides municipal professionals with a foundation for assessing climate change risk and vulnerability assessments of community infrastructure through the level of service framework and with a focus on understanding disproportionate climate change impacts on all members in your municipality.

[**CLICK HERE**](#) to register.

Upcoming Revisions to OPSDs Following Changes to Ontario Electrical Safety Code

In May 2025, the Ontario Electrical Safety Code was revised through Bulletin 2-12-15 - Traffic Signal Systems. Enforcement begins in November 2025, rendering approximately six Ontario Provincial Standard Drawings (OPSDs) out of compliance.

To address this, the OPS Electrical Committee is preparing revisions for the Fall 2025 OPS update. In the interim, the MTO is developing Ministry Temporary Ontario Drawings (MTODs) as a temporary solution.

Once issued, the MTODs will replace the affected OPSDs until revised versions are officially published. The temporary use period is expected to last about four months.

More information will be provided once the MTODs are available.

RPRA webinar - Understanding Ontario's Excess Soil Regulation as a Municipality

The Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority (RPRA) is hosting a webinar in collaboration with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) on Thursday, July 24, 2025, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. - Understanding Ontario's Excess Soil Regulation as a Municipality.

The information session will support municipalities in understanding and meeting their reporting requirements under Ontario's Excess Soil Regulation.

Topics will include:

- When municipalities and project leaders must file notices under the regulation
- How to use and navigate RPRA's Excess Soil Registry, including how to file a notice
- Support and resources to help with using the registry

[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

Nominations for MEA- Board of Directors

Are you interested in helping the MEA shape municipal engineering in Ontario? You can contribute by serving on the MEA's Board of Directors. The MEA Nominating Committee is currently addressing how many vacancies will exist at the end of the current Board term and will be searching for eligible candidates to fill these spots. To be considered by the MEA's Nominating Committee for election to the MEA Board of Director at the 2025 AGM on November 13, 2025, Section 6.04 of the MEA Constitution/By-Law specifically states the following:

Additional candidates for the vacant positions on the Board may be nominated but such additional candidates must be Voting Members (excluding Life Members) nominated by their fellow Voting Members. Such nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director, comprised of the signatures of five (5) other Voting Members, representing five (5) separate municipalities, at least seventy-five (75) days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Members. Such nomination and sponsorship must be in writing and filed with such officer as the Board shall direct and within the time period therein prescribed. In the event the Nominating person is a Life Member and is retired, the requirement that a Nominator represent a municipality is waived.

Nominations **must** follow the above requirements to be considered eligible. **The deadline to submit nominations for the 2025/2026 Board term is midnight, Friday August 29, 2025** (at least 75 days prior to the AGM). Please submit nominations to admin@municipalengineers.on.ca



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MEA Committee Volunteers Needed

The MEA currently needs to fill vacancies on the following committees:

- MEA Climate Change Committee (2)
- MEA-MPEA Committee (1)
- The Road Authority/ Product Management Committee (1)
- MEA Connected Cities Committee (2)

If you are interested in participating in one of the above committees, please contact rsharma@municipalengineers.on.ca.

If you are interested in volunteering for other MEA committees, [submit an application to MEA.](#) *(you will need to log-in)*

For a complete listing of all MEA Committees, [CLICK HERE](#)



MEA Employment Ads

The Go-To Place for Engineering Career Opportunities

With MEA's membership growing strong to over 1,200 professional engineers province-wide, who are employed by Ontario municipalities and provincial/federal agencies, the MEA's Careers Page has become the go-to resource for technical job advertisement in the public sector in Ontario.

in the 12-month period ending August 31, 2024, MEA had over 32,000+ unique visitors to its Careers Page of the the MEA website who viewed 255 job postings.

You can also join over 450 subscribers to the MEA's week career opportunities email.

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MEA TRAINING & EVENTS

OPS 101 (Intro to OPS) Fall 2025 (TBD)



The MEA is offering a OPS 101 course (webinar) on Ontario Provincial Standards (OPS). It will be delivered in 1 session at approximately 3.5-hours. This course/webinar represents 3.5 CPD/CEU hours.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

Introduction to MCEA Webinar Fall 2025 (TBD)

Learn what the Class EA process is all about from an instructor who has conducted many such planning exercises since the inception of the Municipal Class EA over 35 years ago. This course/webinar qualifies for 7.5 CPD/CEU hours.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

OPS 201 (Planning and GC) Fall 2025 (TBD)



The MEA is offering a OPS 201 webinar about Ontario Provincial Standards. It will be delivered in 2 modules over 2 days at approximately 3-hours per day. This course/webinar represents 6 CPD/CEU hours.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

Municipal Infrastructure Training

The **MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRAINING** program is a series of courses on the design, construction, maintenance, and inspection of a wide range of infrastructure assets.

MIT program formally recognizes the amalgamated training efforts of individuals in a number of categories which are highly valued by municipal infrastructure professionals. Certifications are offered for the following specializations:

- **Construction Materials**
- **Inspection**
- **Road Design**
- **Buried Infrastructure**
- **Generalist**

For more information

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Municipal Class EA

MCEA REFORM

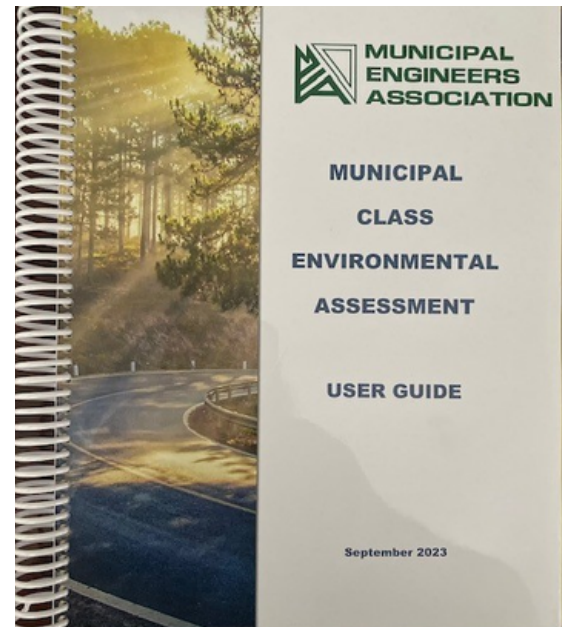
The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks has recently advised the MEA that the Provincial Government is moving forward with legislation to revoke the current Municipal Class EA and replace it with a new regulation (Municipal Project Assessment Process – MPAP). While do not have a firm schedule, we expect this to occur sometime later this summer or early autumn.

MCEA USER GUIDE

While the MECP is planning to revoke the MCEA, until the new MPAP Regulation is approved, the current MCEA process still applies. The MEA continues to offer its *MCEA User Guide* (September 2023) publication for proponents. It is currently available for purchase in hard copy format only.

To order the hardcopy version, [CLICK HERE.](#)

Note: Once the MECP finalizes its implementation of the new MPAP Regulation, MEA plans to develop a new publication to replace the current *MCEA User Guide*.



2024 MCEA Monitoring Report

The MEA has submitted its annual Municipal Class EA Monitoring Report to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the 2024 MCEA Monitoring Report.

OPS Updates

UPDATES FROM OPS SPECIALTY COMMITTEES

OPS Electrical Committee- An update to the Canadian Electrical Safety Code could impact electrical standards. The committee will be conducting a full review of any potentially affected specifications and drawings.

OPS Environmental Committee is currently reviewing OPSS.MUNI 803, 804 and 805 with a publication target for November 2025.

OPS Watermains Committee is currently reviewing and updating several OPSDs in the 704 and 705 series. The Committee is also working on OPSS.MUNI 1853.

If you have any questions/ comments/ queries regarding these specifications, please contact rsharma@municipalengineers.on.ca and your query will be directed to the concerned OPS Committee.

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