

# A Canadian Perspective on Asset Management

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## Canada in the World Context

- 3 levels of government: Federal, provincial, municipal
- Population: 33 million
- World's second-largest country (9,970 610 km²)
- 7% of the world's land; 9% of its fresh water
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest ecological footprint in the world
- Canadian energy consumption twice that of European countries
- Large areas of low density, habitable land
- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest oil reserves after Saudi Arabia





## Canada in the World Context

- Europe developed pre-automobile resulting in compact, densely populated cities
- Canada developed post-automobile resulting in sprawling, low population density cities
- Relatively cheap energy and land
- Reasonable supplies of coal, hydroelectricity, natural gas-coal bed methane
- Expectation of the "right" to cheap resources
- Have not done a good job of managing infrastructure assets





# **Calgary in the World Context**

- Low population density
- Highest ecological footprint in Canada
- 9.86 hectares/person consumed in Calgary vs. 1.9 hectares available in the world
- Urban form largely determines ecological footprint
- Major issues around managing infrastructure



# **State of Asset Management**

- Asset management emerges in the 1990s
- Little progress until 5 years ago utilities
- Public policy report:
  - No systems or structures
  - No understanding of the magnitude of the problem
  - No strategy
- Growing awareness of issues and problems
- Still major barriers and governance issues
- Canadian infrastructure deficit: \$123 billion





# State of Asset Management

#### **National organizations**

National Research Council

Municipal Infrastructure Investment Planning

Canadian Public Works Association

Technical Road Map

National Roundtable on Sustainable Infrastructure

Intelligent Sensing for Innovative Structures (ISIS)

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

National Infrastructure Executive forum

Canadian Network of Asset Managers





## **National Initiatives**

- NRC workshop on life cycle performance & management of core public infrastructure
- InfraGuide: the national guide to sustainable infrastructure
- Governance structure for infrastructure asset management
- Asset management standards
- Tangible capital assets
  - Public Sector Accounting Board financial and condition information
  - Required January 1, 2009







# **Current State**

### Canadian case study: The City of Calgary

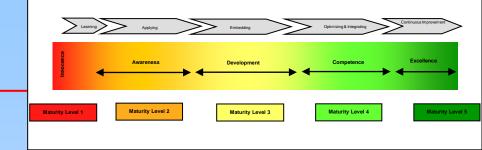
- Developing corporate asset management program aligned with Triple Bottom Line criteria: economic, social, environmental
- Strategic and operational
- Performance measures (Infrastructure Status Report)
- Silo mentality has characterized development of infrastructure
- Have not looked at infrastructure as complete systems
- Must consider whole life costs



### **Current State**

### The City of Calgary

Current



Medium Term (2009 - 2011)

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Short Term (2008)

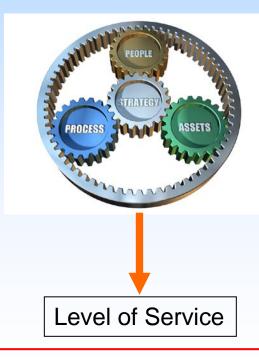


Long Term (2012 - 2017)



# Where Are We Going?

- ImagineCALGARY
- Corporate asset management program
- plan it Calgary
- Integrated infrastructure strategy
- Ecological footprint strategy
- Performance measures
- Develop a sustainable urban form based on Triple Bottom Line criteria
- Focus on people!





## **Innovative Initiatives**

#### **Urban Alliance**

- 24-year strategic partnership with the University of Calgary
- Aligns research with City and community priorities
- Produces solutions to real issues facing Calgary
- Focuses on 9 key result areas:
  - Social fabric & security
  - Living spaces
  - Natural environment
  - Consumption & disposal
  - Mobility
  - Infrastructure
  - Management & industry
  - Governance
  - Workplace / workforce







urban alliance







# urban alliance

University City

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	Scholars & City Professionals	<u>Leadership Teams</u>					
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	Workplace						
	URBAN LABORATORY	Joint Enabling Team					





# **Innovative Initiatives**

#### **People and Place**

- Homelessness Digital Story Telling
- Project Gateway: Child-Youth Services

#### Infrastructure

- Optimal Shelter Design
- Transit Safety

### **Ecological Footprint**

- Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Urban Disaster Resilience









# Conclusion

- Awareness of the issues and magnitude of the problem is growing
- There are still major systems barriers
- Building consensus is a challenge
- Worldwide standards are required
- Approaches are fragmented, unaligned and effort is duplicated
- Lack of leadership
- Focus on people!
- Support workshop objectives



# Questions



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