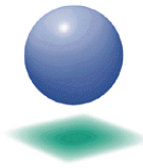




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FCM-CH2M HILL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY AWARDS HONOUR 10 MUNICIPAL INITIATIVES

June 3, 2006, Montreal, QC - The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and CH2M HILL Canada Limited honoured 10 winners of the FCM-CH2M HILL Sustainable Community Awards at a recognition ceremony at FCM's 69th Annual Conference and Municipal Expo™ in Montreal today. The Awards recognize municipal leadership in sustainable community development and give national recognition to projects that demonstrate environmental excellence and innovation in service delivery.

"FCM congratulates the 2006 Sustainable Community Awards' winners," said FCM President Gloria Kovach. "These projects demonstrate the high level of commitment by municipal governments to sustainable community development. They also highlight municipal governments that are leading the way with practical, innovative solutions to secure the environmental, economic and social well-being of Canada's communities."

The Awards are open to municipal governments and their private sector partners. Communities of all sizes are encouraged to apply. To be eligible, projects must have been completed within two years of the date of application, or be in the final stages of implementation, and must have achieved measurable results. Submissions are reviewed and judged by an expert panel of judges selected by FCM.

"CH2M HILL is proud to be a founding sponsor of the FCM-CH2M HILL Sustainable Community Awards with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities," said John Murray, President of CH2M HILL Canada. "In this, the seventh year of the Awards, we can look back on an important legacy of achievement by Awards' winners since 2000. The award winning projects provide excellent examples for all municipal governments in Canada to follow as they strive to increase the quality of life in their communities."

This year 66 submissions were received. The 10 winners are:

- Buildings: Regional Municipality of Waterloo, Ontario
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Headquarters and Fleet Centre
- Solid Waste: City of Toronto, Ontario
Integrated Waste Diversion Plan
- Sustainable Community Planning: City of Montreal, Quebec
Montreal's First Strategic Plan for Sustainable Development
– and –
District of Ucluelet, British Columbia
Walk the Talk: Ucluelet's Official Community Plan
- Wastewater: City of Edmonton, Alberta
Gold Bar Wastewater Treatment Plan Industrial Water Re-use
- Residential Development: City of Surrey, British Columbia
East Clayton Neighbourhood Concept Plan
- Sustainable Transportation: City of Vancouver, British Columbia
Southeast False Creek Sustainable Transportation Strategies

Water: Municipality of Chelsea, Quebec
H₂O Chelsea

Energy/Renewable Energy: City of Calgary, Alberta
*Green Power Initiative: Target -50 City of Calgary Climate Change
Action Plan*
– and –
Town of Okotoks, Alberta
“Harnessing the Sun”: Okotoks’ Solar Initiatives

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities’ Green Municipal Fund (GMF) and CH2M HILL Canada Ltd. are the primary sponsors of the Awards. Transport Canada sponsors the Sustainable Transportation category and the Affordability and Choice Today (ACT) program sponsors the Residential Development category.

FCM has been the national voice of municipal governments since 1901. It is dedicated to improving the quality of life in communities by promoting strong, effective and accountable municipal government.

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- FCM’s Centre for Sustainable Community Development website at www.sustainablecommunities.ca for details on the FCM-CH2M HILL Sustainable Community Awards, the Green Municipal Fund and the Affordability and ChoiceToday(ACT)program;
- www.ch2mhillcanada.com
- <http://www.tc.gc.ca/programs/environment/UTSP/awards.htm>