



2025 FONOM

Northeastern Municipal Conference

May 5-7
NORTH BAY



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100 YEARS

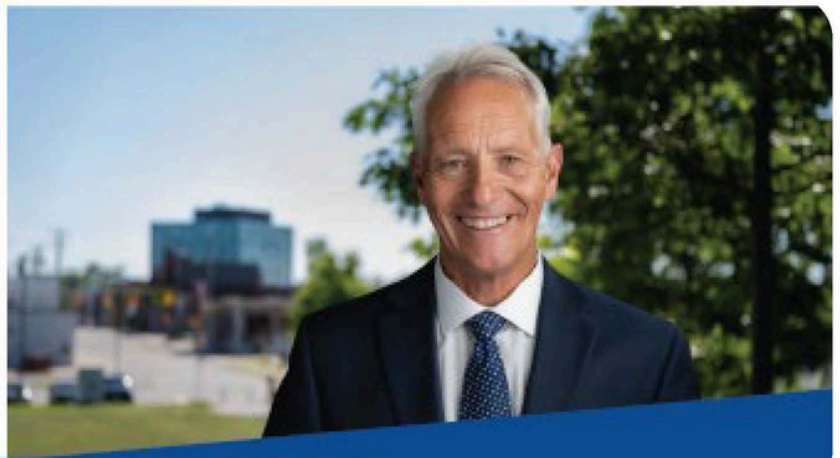
Hosted by the City of North Bay
Location: Best Western North Bay
Hotel & Conference Centre
700 Lakeshore Drive, North Bay, ON



FONOM
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities



A message from the Mayor of North Bay



May 5, 2025

It is an honour for the City of North Bay to host the 2025 FONOM Conference on May 5th, 6th and 7th, 2025. On behalf of citizens, City Councillors, and staff, I would like to welcome you to North Bay. We are delighted that you will be spending time enjoying the conference.

This is an example of the strong partnerships that exist between community organizations, and businesses. I commend them for their efforts, dedication and commitment in bringing this event to North Bay.

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize all volunteers who have stepped up to assist with the planning of the 2025 conference.

For those of you from out of town, we hope that you will take some time to enjoy our city's sights and hospitality. We feel very fortunate to have the best of culture, entertainment, shopping, dining and accommodation that make this city – a great city! We look forward to having you visit again soon.

Best wishes to all for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

Peter Chirico
Mayor, City of North Bay

President's Message



On behalf of the Board of Directors of FONOM it gives me great pleasure to welcome delegates, companions, sponsors and exhibitors to our 64th Annual Conference in the City of North Bay.

We have an extensive trade show this year featuring many exhibitors and sponsors without whose support this conference would not be possible. We thank them for their interest in our event and their commitment to Northern Ontario through their presence here this week.

Once again, the conference program is full of topics and speakers that will inspire you, inform you, and challenge you to make the most of your role as a community leader.

I know all of you will participate actively and take back new ideas and information to your respective councils, as well as a strengthened resolve to serve your communities.

For those of you who have attended previous FONOM Conferences, welcome back and we hope you find this to be one of the best conferences you've attended. For those of you attending your first FONOM Conference, we extend a special welcome and hope this is the beginning of a long relationship between you and our organization.

Please accept our best wishes for an enjoyable visit and join me in congratulating the City of North Bay on their 100th year. We trust you will find the conference a rewarding and informative experience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dennis Daler".

Thank you to our Conference Sponsors:

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Monday May 5

Scan for a self-guided tour
of North Bay 

Time	Event	Location
9:30-11am	Bus Tour of North Bay Registration required. Email Carrie.Arra@northbay.ca 	Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre Front Door
10:30am	Registration Begins	Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre Lobby
11:00am	FONOM AGM	Ontario Room
11:15am	Trade Show	Foyer & Fab Hallway
12:00pm 	Lunch Sponsored by OPG	Regency Ballroom
1:00pm	Official Opening Remarks	Ontario Room
1:15pm	Keynote Speaker- Olya Sanakoev, CTO, Financial Services <i>Unlocking the Power of AI</i>	Ontario Room
2:30pm 	Refreshment Break Sponsored by MPAC	Foyer
3:00pm	George Couchie - Redtail Hawk Training & Consulting <i>Indigenous Cultural Mindfulness</i>	Ontario Room

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Monday May 5 ...cont.



Time	Event	Location
3:45pm	Ulf Stahmer, Senior Transportation Engineer, NWMO <i>NWMO Transportation: Post Site Selection Next Steps</i>	Ontario Room
4:15pm	Jennifer Gray, Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training & Skills Development <i>Leveraging the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (ONIP) for Workforce Sustainability and Economic Growth</i>	Ontario Room
4:50pm	Board Bus To Reception	Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre Front Door
5:00pm 	Opening Reception (Cash Bar) Sponsored by NWMO	Gateway City Brewery 490 Gormanville Rd. Unit B
6:30pm	Trade Show Closes	Foyer & Fab Hallway
7:00pm	Board Bus Back to Hotel	Front Doors, Gateway City Brewery
7:15pm	Delegates Dine in North Bay	

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Tuesday May 6

Time	Event	Location
7:45am 	Breakfast Sponsored by Destination Northern Ontario & CNB Event Hosting Fund	Foyer
8:00am	Trade Show Opens	Foyer & Fab Hallway
8:30am	Dr. Carol Zimbalatti, Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer & Dr. Lianne Catton, Medical Officer of Health, Porcupine Health Unit <i>Partnering for Healthy Communities in the North</i>	Ontario Room
9:00am	Oscar Poloni, Partner, KPMG <i>The Orange County Insolvency – Lessons for Northern Ontario</i>	Ontario Room
9:45am	Carla Y. Nell, VP, Corporate Relations Engmt. & Strategy Beverly Nollert, Director, Transmission Integration, IESO <i>Northeastern Ontario's Energy Future: Empowered Communities</i>	Ontario Room
10:15am 	Refreshment Break Sponsored by Hydro One	Foyer



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Tuesday May 6 ...cont.

Time	Event	Location
10:30am	Christa Lowry, ROMA Chair <i>Rural Ontario Municipal Assoc. Updates</i>	Ontario Room
11:00am	Jessica Jaremchuk, VP Risk Mgmt. Services, Intact Public Entities <i>Disaster Domino Effect: Understanding the Chain Reaction of Catastrophes</i>	Ontario Room
11:45am 	Lunch Sponsored by IESO	Regency Ballroom
1:00pm	Mary Sye, Advisor, Muni. Energy Solutions & Kristen Oliver, Senior Advisor, Muni. & Stakeholder Engmnt. <i>Partnering for a sustainable future: How Enbridge Supports Local Northern Municipalities and Promotes Smart Energy Use</i>	Ontario Room
1:30pm	Brent Kalinowski, CNB-Community Safety & Well-Being <i>The Evolving Municipal Role in Community Safety & Well-Being Adapting for a Stronger Future</i>	Ontario Room
2:15pm	Ontario Northland, Chad Evans, CEO & Al Spacek, Chair <i>Getting Ready for the New Era of the Northlander</i>	Ontario Room
2:45pm 	Refreshment Break Sponsored by LAS	Foyer

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Tuesday May 6 ...cont.

Time	Event	Location
3:00pm	Trade Show Closes	Foyer & Fab Hallway
3:00pm	Robin Jones, AMO President <i>Remarks</i> Lindsay Jones, AMO Director of Policy & Government Relations <i>AMO Policy Updates</i>	Ontario Room
3:45pm	MPAC, Al Spacek, Chair, Nicole McNeill, President & CAO & Mary Dawson-Cole, Director, MSR Insights and Innovation: MPAC's work in Northern Ontario	Ontario Room
4:15pm	Matt Sikstrom, Project Director, OPG <i>Expanding Hydroelectric Generation in Northeastern Ontario</i>	Ontario Room
5:30pm	Pre-Banquet Reception Hosted by the City of Timmins 2026 Conference Host EDF Renewables, Bar Sponsor	Foyer
6:30pm	Banquet & Entertainment Banquet Sponsored by Enbridge Entertainment Sponsored by Uber	Regency Ballroom



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Wednesday May 7

Time	Event	Location
7:45am 	Breakfast Sponsored by Ontario Northland	Regency Ballroom
8:30am	Dr. Owen Prowse, Vice-President, Clinical Partnerships & Hospital Relations, NOSM <i>Successes and Future of NOSM University Update</i>	Ontario Room
9:00am	Ian Dunn, President & CEO of OFIA	Ontario Room
9:30am	Andrew Siegwart, President & CEO TIAO- <i>Understanding How Tourism Impacts at the Community Level</i>	Ontario Room
10:00am	Minister, Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade	Ontario Room
10:15am	George Pirie, Minister of Northern Development	Ontario Room
10:30am	Mike Harris, Minister of Natural Resources	Ontario Room
10:45am 	Refreshment Break Hydro One	Foyer
11:00am	Bear Pit	Ontario Room
12:15pm	Closing Ceremonies	Ontario Room
12:20pm	Bagged Lunch Sponsored by GFD & Kennedy Insurance Brokers	Foyer

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The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) is the unified voice of Northeastern Ontario, representing and advocating on behalf of 110 cities, towns and municipalities.

Our mission is to improve the economic and social quality of life for all northerners and to ensure the future of our youth.

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Exhibitors

- Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario
- Ontario Clean Water Agency
- PSD Citywide
- AdvantAge Ontario
- Hobson Chahal Advisory Group
- Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program
- Continest Canada Inc.
- Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
- Beacon Lite Traffic
- MPAC
- Nelson Granite
- InnVest Hotels
- RSM Building Consultants
- MuniSoft
- Ontario Phragmites Action
- MIS Municipal Insurance Services
- TC Energy
- Enbridge
- Nuclear Waste Management Organization
- Intact Public Entities
- GFD
- OPG
- Hydro One
- OneInvestment
- AMO /LAS
- Planet Youth (NBPS Health Unit)

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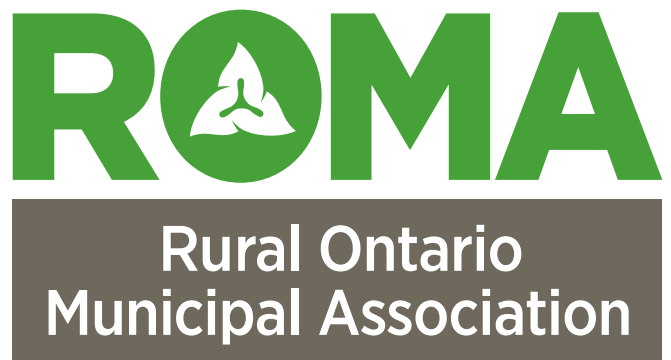


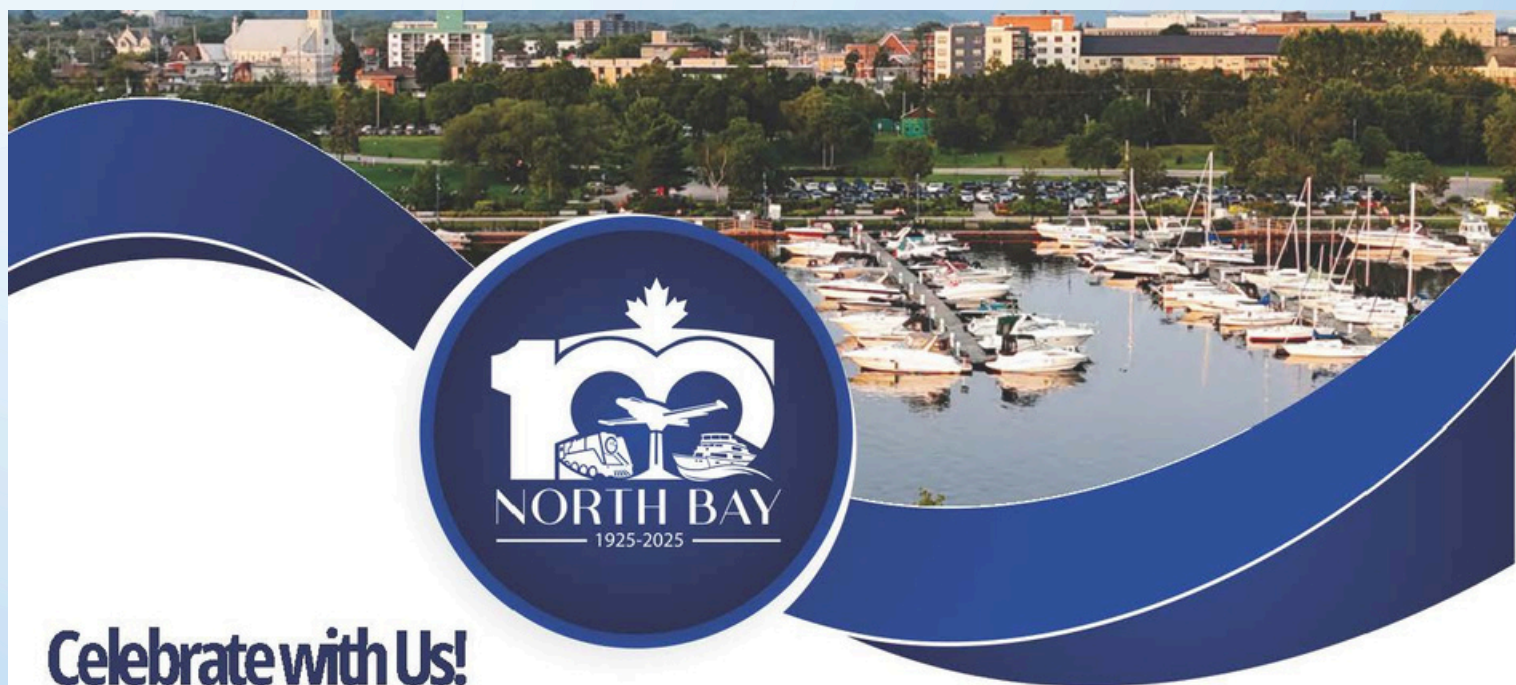
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Celebrate with Us!

Welcome to North Bay!

This year, we're celebrating 100 years as a City, and we're thrilled to share this milestone with you. While you're here, we hope you enjoy our beautiful waterfront, vibrant downtown, and warm Northern hospitality.

Join us in celebrating a century of community, history, and progress throughout 2025!

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