

2025 NOMA Annual Meeting & Conference Agenda

Wednesday, April 23, 2025, Location: Superior Inn Hotel, Embassy Ballroom

10:30 am	Registration Opens
12:30 pm (EST)	Conference Welcome & Opening Remarks <i>Call to Order</i> <i>Bag Pipes</i> <i>Opening Prayer TBD</i> <i>O'Canada</i> <i>Roll Call & Greetings from Mayor Wendy Landry, NOMA President</i> <i>Greeting from the City of Thunder Bay – Mayor Ken Boshcoff</i> <i>Greeting from Fort William First Nations – Chief Michele Solomon (invited)</i> <i>Greeting from ROMA – Mayor Christa Lowry, President</i> <i>Greeting from FONOM – Deputy Mayor Danny Whalen, President</i>
1:10 pm	Leader Addresses <i>Doug Ford, Leader of Conservative Party (invited)</i> <i>Marit Stiles, Leader of NDP (invited)</i> <i>Bonnie Crombie, Leader of Ontario Liberal Party (invited)</i> <i>Mike Schreiner, Leader of Green Party (invited)</i>
1:40 pm	AMO Update <i>Presented by: Robin Jones, AMO President & Brian Rosborough, Executive Director</i>
2:10 pm	Keynote: Your Strategy Needs a Strategy: Why Most Strategic Planning is Bad & Doesn't Get You Where You Want to Go <i>Presented by: Norm Gale, President, Norm Gale Strategies & Dr Tim Hardie Associate Professor, Business Administration, Lakehead University</i>
2:55 pm	Health Break
3:30 pm	TBD <i>Presented by: TBD</i>
3:45 pm	Opportunities for Municipal and Indigenous Innovation <i>Presented by: TBD</i>
4:30 pm	MPAC Update <i>Presented by: TBD</i>
5:00 pm	NOMA Annual General Meeting (79th) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order 2. Approval of minutes of 78th Annual General meeting 3. Approval to receive the Presidents Report 4. Approval of Auditors Report & 2024 Financial Statements 5. Appointment of Auditors for 2025 6. Approval of 2025 Operating Estimates 7. Business Transacted 8. New Business 9. Resolutions Committee 10. Adjournment
5:45 pm	Appetizers with Exhibitors in the Trade Show (Regency Rooms) <i>Join your colleagues for networking, appetizers, and a cash bar. Be sure to visit the exhibitors!</i>
6:45 pm	Doors Open for Gala Dinner followed by Dessert with Entertainment at 8pm – (Embassy Ballroom)

Thursday, April 24, 2025: Superior Inn Hotel, Embassy Ballroom

(EST) 7:45 am to 9:00am Registration & 7:45am to 7pm Expo

7:45 am	Buffet Breakfast with NWMO 8:00am - Next Steps for the NWMO and the Northwest Region (Moderated by: Mike Borelli) <i>NWMO Panelists: Jessica Perritt - Director Indigenous & Municipal Relations, Joanne Jacyk - Director, Site Selection Intermediate Level Waste & Ulf Stahmer - Senior Transportation Engineer</i>	
8:30 am	Innovative Municipal Solutions <i>Tiny Home Project – Presented by: Daryl Skworchinski, CAO for the Town of Marathon</i> <i>Micro-Transit System – Presented by: Heather Pihulak, Director of Corporate Services & Clerk for the City of Kenora</i>	
9:15 am	Lakehead University (Embassy Ballroom) <i>Presented by: Andrew Dean, Vice President Research and Innovation, Lakehead University</i>	Planning Law for Innovation and Growth (Kensington Room) <i>Presented by: Chantelle Bryson, Lawyer, Potestio Law</i>
10:00 am	Coffee Break with Exhibitors	
10:40 am	The Future of AI and How Municipalities Should Prepare <i>Presented by: Jess Jaremchuk, Vice President, Risk Management Services, Intact Public Entities</i>	
11:00 am	Working Together to Power Northwestern Ontario <i>Moderated by: Iain Angus, Co-Chair Northwest Energy Task Force</i> <i>Panelists: Ian Dunn, President OFIA; Paul Norris, President OWA; Enbridge Inc; Hydro One</i>	
12:00 am	Lunch Buffet	
1:00 pm	Harnessing the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program: Strategies for Workforce Sustainability & Economic Growth (Kensington Room) <i>Presented by: Nathalie Wuta and Carol Michta, Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training, & Skills Development</i>	Confederation College & The New Ontario College Landscape (Embassy Ballroom) <i>Presented by: Michelle Salo, President, Confederation College</i>
1:45 pm	Connecting Communities: Networking Session (Embassy Ballroom) <i>Moderated by: Councillor Eric Pietsch of Greenstone</i>	Northwestern Ontario Collaboration (Kensington Room) <i>Presented by: TBD</i>
2:15 pm	Investment Dollar Earned, Tax Dollar Saved <i>Presented by: Martin Leclair, Vice President and Portfolio Manager - PH&N Institutional & Jason Hagan Program Manager, LAS/One Investment</i>	
2:30 pm	Coffee Break with Exhibitors	
3:00 pm	Labour Market Trends (Embassy Ballroom) <i>Presented by: Gary Christian, Executive Director, North Superior Workforce Planning Board</i>	Program Updates & Strategies for Procurement Efficiency (Kensington Room) <i>Presented by: Sarah Hubble, Client Relations Manager, Canoe Procurement Group of Canada</i>
3:30 pm	Rural and Remote Physician Services Coordination in Northern Ontario <i>Presented by: Dr. Sarah Newberry</i>	
3:45 pm	Keynote: Reimagine the Future <i>Presented by: Shawn Kanungo</i>	
5:00 pm	Prize Wheel <i>Must be in attendance to win. Limited 1 win/person (if you win an exhibitor prize you will not be eligible to win at the wheel)</i>	
5:15 pm	Exhibitor Reception in Tradeshow - Regency A & B (cash bar & Appetizers) (5:15-7pm)	

Friday, April 25, 2025, Location: Superior Inn Hotel, Embassy Ballroom

7:45 am (EST)	<i>Buffet Breakfast</i>
8:30 am	Engaging Youth in Municipal Government <i>Presented by: Maddison Matos and Karson Anthony from the Town of Marathon & Carleigh McKenzie-Marcellais from the Municipality of Red Lake, Student Councilors</i>
8:45 am	AMCTO Municipal Innovation Internship Program <i>Presented by: Jon Hall, Board Director, AMCTO & CAO of Terrace Bay</i>
9:00 am	Driving Innovation Through Business Retention and Expansion <i>Presented by: Chloe Langlois, Economic & Business Advisor, Rural Policy & Economic Development Branch, Ministry of Rural Affairs</i>
9:30 am	<i>Health Break</i>
9:50 am	Sol Mamakwa - Deputy Leader of NDP <i>(invited - TBD)</i>
10:00 am	MP Patty Hajdu – Thunder Bay-Superior North
10:10 am	MP Eric Melillo – Kenora
10:20 am	MPP Lise Vaugeois - Thunder Bay-Superior North <i>(invited - TBD)</i>
10:30 am	MPP Kevin Holland – Thunder Bay-Atikokan & PA to Minister of Mines <i>(invited - TBD)</i>
10:40am	Hon. Greg Rickford, Minister of Northern Development & Minister of Indigenous Affairs <i>(invited - TBD)</i>
10:50 am	Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing <i>(invited - TBD)</i>
11:00 am	Minister Forum
12:00pm	<i>End of conference – take home lunch</i>

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