



2009
Convention Policy and Resolutions
Related to Sustainability and
Environment

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This document provides the resolutions adopted at the 2009 AUMA Convention that are applicable to the Sustainability and Environment

Policy Paper 2009.3: Water Conservation, Efficiency and Productivity

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AUMA 2009 General Assembly adopt the attached Water Conservation, Efficiency and Productivity Policy and its targets and recommendations.

2009 Convention: Resolution ADOPTED.

Link to adopted paper:

[http://www.auma.ca/live/digitalAssets/32/32790 Water Conservation Efficiency and Productivity CEP Policy - Adopted at 2009 Convention.pdf](http://www.auma.ca/live/digitalAssets/32/32790_Water_Consevation_Efficiency_and_Productivity_CEP_Policy_-_Adopted_at_2009_Convention.pdf)

RESOLUTION 2009.C.i.4: Public Transit and Public Transportation Options

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association request the Government of Alberta to form a multi stakeholder committee including federal and municipal representatives to review the use of low speed, environmentally friendly or alternative vehicles in Alberta and make recommendations on how safety and public security can be balanced with the need for a new, progressive regulatory framework to allow these vehicles on Alberta's roads.

2009 Convention: Resolution ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2009.C.ii.10: Provincial Recycling Base Amount

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta to immediately provide annual compensation in the form of a base amount to provide for recycling programs; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Government of Alberta provide for compensation when the recycling commodity markets are not viable.

2009 Convention: Resolution ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2009.C.ili.1: Trails

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association urge the Government of Alberta (Alberta Transportation) to adopt as part of its design standards and policies, facilitation of and provision for alternative modes of transportation such as cycling, running and walking and to consider the construction of trail systems as part of the building or rebuilding of roads and highways.

2009 Convention: Resolution ADOPTED as amended

RESOLUTION Ext.01: Enhancing Provincial Support for Alberta's Forest Industry

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association encourage the Province of Alberta to:

1. Take immediate action on the key recommendations contained in the Forest Industry Sustainability Committee (FISC) report specific to supporting business competitiveness (labour, inflation, etc.) transportation choices & support, power costs and power supply, and protection fees; and further,
2. Allocate transformative technology funding to diversify the industry's product offerings that contribute to the province's energy, employment, environmental, and diversification strategies; and further,
3. Ensure the forestry sector realizes its tremendous potential for the economic and environmental benefits, while contributing to the sustainable development and helping to diversify the economies of communities. Support forestry sector-wide projects that develop applied technologies, conduct research, identify market opportunities and encourage expansion of the forestry industry.
4. Align with federal government actions, such as the green transformative program, to augment industry specific energy / fuel programs, investments, and R & D efforts.