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Good afternoon APAS members – below are five update items for you this week.

1. Special 6-minute APAS update video for RM Councils: Last year we asked RM Administrators if they'd like APAS to create longer update videos for their Councils to watch, and 80% of Administrators told us they wanted the videos. We just recorded a new one featuring Ian Boxall (APAS President) and Bill Prybylski (APAS Vice-President), and in it they discuss our 2022 activities, plus various plans for 2023. We've already sent the video to all RM Administrators across the province, so hopefully it'll get played at a lot of Council meetings in December. [Click here](#) to watch the video, and please share it with anyone you think might be interested.

2. APAS supports the rights of farmers to repair their equipment: On November 28, APAS sent out a press release reiterating its support for farmers being able to repair their own equipment. As Right to Repair legislation gains momentum in Canada, this will be an important issue for APAS in 2023. [Click here](#) to read our press release from last week.

3. Ian Boxall interviewed by Global Saskatoon about rising costs of farming: On November 28, Ian Boxall (APAS President) was interviewed by Global Saskatoon about the rising costs of farming. You can watch his interview by [clicking here](#). Saskatchewan farmers had their most expensive year ever for crop and livestock production in 2021 as farm expenses exceeded \$11.5 billion, which was 11% higher than

2020, and the largest year-over-year increase since 2012. You can also read the APAS “Cost of Production Backgrounder” document by [clicking here](#).

4. Canadian Grain Commission has extended the Harvest Sample

Program deadline: Through the Harvest Sample Program, producers receive an unofficial grade and quality information for their crop that can help them make delivery decisions. Producers who are not currently registered for the Harvest Sample Program, but would like to register for the 2022 harvest, have until December 12 to register online by [clicking here](#). There is no charge to participate, and registered participants have until December 30 to send in samples taken from their crops.

5. Update materials for RM Council meetings: Let me know if you need APAS update materials for your RM Council meeting, or if you’d like APAS staff or Directors to come discuss our projects and advocacy work.

You’ll get the next APAS Update on December 8 – just call or email if you have any questions in the meantime.

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