



## Supporting Ontario Infrastructure Investments and Lands

August 17, 2015 – Association of Municipalities of Ontario Conference

RCCAO sponsored a concurrent panel session on excess construction soils at AMO's annual conference in Niagara Falls. The session, "Managing Excess Soils – The Right Things to Do" was moderated by RCCAO Executive Director Andy Manahan. Panellists included Dolly Goyette, Director Central Region, MOECC, Grant Walsom, Partner with XCG Consulting Ltd., and Carmela Marshall, Ontario Soil Regulation Task Force.

Keynote speaker Nick Willenbrock of the U.K. provided insight on CL:AIRE's Definition of Waste Code of Practice approach as well as successful initiatives such as soil matching. A number of municipal representatives expressed concerns with dumping of contaminated soil on farmland and called for more provincial support. A municipal outreach initiative will be led by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to encourage the adoption of soil handling best management practices.