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## Purpose

- Key players
- Who is insured
- Insurance Claim Process
- Statistics
- Challenges facing the insurance portfolio
- Mitigation measures





- Town's Risk & Insurance Advisor Manages claims and risk and liaises with insurance players
- Insurance Broker, Affiliated Insurance Provides confidential advice, cost included in premium
- Insurance Adjuster, ClaimsPro Deals directly with claimant, provides recommendations
- Insurer, Intact Public Entities Provides insurance



# Who is Insured

- Essentially, anyone who is employed by the municipality and is working within the scope of duties with the municipality will be covered under the policy including:
  - Employees, full-time, part-time and contract
  - Volunteers
  - Members of Council and Boards



## **Insurance Claim Process**





# MMS – What is it?

- Minimum Maintenance Standards (MMS) were incorporated into the Municipal Act
- MMS regulations pertain road repair and maintenance, such as the frequency of road inspections, weather monitoring, ice formation on roadways, snow accumulation, and sidewalk trip ledges.
- Under the MMS, roads and highways are classified based on their average annual daily traffic and posted speed limits, there are required minimum levels of inspection and repair.





% growth from 2021 to 2022







#### Premium Percentage Increase





### Challenges – External & Municipal Factors

- Hardened global insurance market
- Weather related losses
- Increased exposures
- Increasingly litigious society
- Joint & several (1% rule)



# **Weather Related Impacts**

#### Canada: Top 10 Natural Disasters for Insurance Payouts





# **Mitigating Measures**

- Keeping claims in-house
- Engaging the broker
- Utilizing adjusting firm more often
- Implementing a claims software



## Summary

- Number and complexity of claims are on the rise
- Continued focus on a risk management strategy to reduce liability and control costs



### Questions



