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Good afternoon APAS members – visit <https://bit.ly/3s9o6Np> to watch this week's 2-minute APAS Update video.

1. Todd Lewis meets with Minister Bibeau: Todd Lewis (APAS President) was in Ottawa this week to participate in numerous meetings with politicians and government officials. On December 14 they met with Marie-Claude Bibeau, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. Visit <https://bit.ly/321dBkA> to see a photo from that meeting.

2. Register for APAS General Meeting: The APAS General Meeting is on January 17-18, 2022 at the Queensbury Convention Centre in Regina. APAS Representatives and Associate Members should fill out the online form at <https://bit.ly/2ZJq37F> to register. The event will start at noon on January 17 and end in the early afternoon on January 18.

3. More federal funding for Hay West: On December 15 the federal government announced an additional \$3 million in funding for the Hay West 2021 program – you can read a press release about the funding at <https://bit.ly/3GQCgr6>. The Canadian Federation of Agriculture created the program earlier this year to help move eastern hay to the prairies where it is needed because of the drought. The Hay West application form is available at www.haywest2021.net.

4. Submit your expense claim forms: For any APAS Representatives that still have expense claims from attending APAS meetings in 2021, make sure to email those expense claims to admin@apas.ca right away so we can reimburse you.

5. Visit your RM Council: Let me know if you need APAS update materials for an 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 January 6 – have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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