

## **Press Release**

## Scrap Tire Program Hires Experienced Program Manager May 27, 2025

Tire Stewardship of Saskatchewan (TSS) is pleased to announce the appointment of its new Executive Director.

Michael Solkoski was selected after an extensive, national search. He was most recently Director of Operations with Tire Stewardship of Manitoba (TSM) and worked in all areas of the organization throughout a career spanning 17 years.

"Michael has exceptional experience in the scrap tire industry and program management," said TSS Board Chair Colin Fraser. "We are confident he will bring many best practices from his experiences in Manitoba, as well as from his involvement with the Canadian Association of Tire Recycling Agencies."

"I look forward to my move to Saskatchewan and leading TSS in a province that has had some industry changes in the last few years," said Mr. Solkoski. "I want to bring better technology for tracking and real time data of scrap tire collection and processing activities, ensure program policies are up to date, and work closely with retailers, contractors and stakeholders."

Mr. Solkoski will join TSS effective June 2, 2025.

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## About TSS

TSS is a non-profit corporation that was established in June 2017 by the Retail Council of Canada (RCC) and the Western Canada Tire Dealers (WCTD) to serve as the scrap tire recycling program operator in Saskatchewan. TSS operates under a Product Stewardship Program approved by the Ministry of Environment. Saskatchewan tire retailers are mandated by legislation to set up and operate a recycling program, collect recycling fees from the consumer for each new tire sold, and use these fees to operate the program. The program involves the collection, recycling, and processing of scrap tires into more environmentally friendly products. Abandoned used tires pose a health risk to the community and a risk to the environment. Scrap tires can hold water and create an environment for pests such as rats and mosquitos. And if a pile of tires catches fire, it can burn intensely and produce toxic smoke.



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