

## **SAMAView**

## SAMA and the 2013 Revaluation

SAMA is updating assessments in 2013 to capture the change in value caused by growth in the province, so that property assessments are transparent, understandable and accurate for our clients: taxpayers, local governments and the provincial government.

SAMA conducts revaluations based on a four-year cycle that has been established by provincial legislation. 2009 was the year of the last revaluation, and the 2013 Revaluation will see assessed values updated to reflect a new base date of January 1, 2011. The base date is the date to which all assessed values are related. Based on the strength of the real estate market between the last base date of June 30, 2006 and the new base date of January 1, 2011, assessment shifts are expected to be higher than any revaluation since 1997.

## What is SAMAView and what can it do for you?

SAMAView is a website application that allows the general public access to individual property assessments for all SAMA client jurisdictions. In an effort to improve the transparency of assessments to the public, the Agency is also revamping our SAMAView web application for 2013, improving speed and usability, and increasing the amount of assessment data available on the site. SAMA plans to post final 2013 Revaluation property assessments on SAMAView, with a target date of February 1, 2013, so that the data is available to property owners as soon as they receive their new assessment notices.

The Agency will be making full use of SAMAView to communicate assessed values for the 2013 Revaluation.

You can access SAMAView by going to SAMA's website (www.sama.sk.ca) and clicking on the SAMAView link.

## What are the Benefits of SAMAView?

With SAMAView you can:

- Verify your property assessment information;
- Compare your assessment to similar or neighbouring properties; and
- Get a general idea of assessed values in your municipality.

SAMAView is intended to be used by property owners for non-commercial purposes. There is no cost for this service. Usage for any other reason, including business purposes, requires a user licence be set up with SAMA.

For more information on SAMAView, please view our website (www.sama.sk.ca) or contact your local SAMA office.