

## **MESSAGE**

## From The OMDREB President

OMDREB Members.

Now that the government has begun taking small steps to reopen our economy, we are optimistic that we are slowly approaching that light at the end of the tunnel. As we continue to navigate this uncharted territory, we wanted to recognize your ability to adapt quickly to new technologies, be innovative in your practice, and provide outstanding client services when they are needed the most.

There's no doubt this pandemic forced us into an uncomfortable corner, but there are some lessons learned from all of this: We are resilient, we are adaptable, we have experienced personal growth, and we embrace change. All of this has made us stronger - not only as individuals, but as an industry.

The Board has been honoured and humbled to have the opportunity to contribute to your success and professional development during this time. We are proud of our Staff, who have adapted so quickly and kept operations functioning smoothly, ensuring the Board will be in the best possible position when this comes to an end. We are proud of our Directors, who made tough decisions to steer us through the challenges of COVID-19, ensuring the stability of OMDREB while moving the Board forward.

As part of that plan, our Directors recently sent out a survey to the Membership regarding the Board. The survey was short, but it was important - as it helps guide the direction in which the Board goes for the future. Thank you to all of those who took the time to respond. We look forward to getting the results and establishing creative ways to implement your feedback.

This unprecedented time has been a difficult period to manage. As the crisis has unfolded, we have all developed a better understanding of what needs to be done going forward. Our Directors and Committee Chairs have met, and in the coming days the Board will be providing more information about future plans that will be of value to all OMDREB Members.

We appreciate your patience while we work to make this happen.

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Thank you,

Richard Weima

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