



**Minister's Advisory Committee on
Labrador Transportation**

2015-16 Annual Report

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



As Chair of the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation, it is my pleasure to present the Committee's 2015-16 Annual Report. This report was prepared in accordance with the *Transparency and Accountability Act* and provides an overview of the Committee's structure, activities, participants, and accomplishments during this past fiscal year. This report was prepared under my direction and I, along with my fellow Committee members, am accountable for the results contained herein.

The primary responsibility for core commitments related to transportation in Labrador lies with the Department of Transportation and Works. In 2015-16, the Department made continued progress on the Trans Labrador Highway, with the approximately 530 kilometres of Phase 1 now completely paved with the final 11 kilometres paved in 2015-16; widening completed on 160 kilometres of Phase 2 in 2015-16; and widening of 160 kilometres of Phase 3 also completed in 2015-16.

As part of its mandate, the Committee contributes to a collaborative approach to addressing the transportation needs of residents, stakeholders and businesses in Labrador. On behalf of the Committee, I would like to reaffirm our commitment to this mandate and express our enthusiasm for working together with the public to improve transportation in Labrador.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Al Hawkins'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

AL HAWKINS, MHA
Minister of Transportation and Works
Chair, Minister's Advisory Committee on
Labrador Transportation

OVERVIEW

On February 27, 2006, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador announced the formation of the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation. The Committee consists of key stakeholders representing the people, businesses and consumers across Labrador. This document represents the second annual report associated with the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation 2014-17 Activity Plan.

MANDATE

The Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation is a volunteer committee of key stakeholders whose mandate is:

1. To provide a two-way forum to share views and provide advice on policy, programs and services, both existing and proposed, for transportation matters in Labrador; and,
2. To develop a common understanding of the transportation needs of people and businesses throughout Labrador.

MEMBERSHIP

Chaired by the Minister of Transportation and Works, the advisory committee consists of up to ten members and must ensure representation from across Labrador. Committee members are appointed for a two-year term, renewable at the Minister's discretion.

The committee membership as of March 31, 2016 comprised of:

- Gaius Trimm, Labrador Straits Business Development Corporation
- Junior Humphries, Deputy Mayor of Labrador City
- Trent O'Brien, Mayor of L'Anse au Loup
- Jim Tuttauq, Hopedale Inuit Community Government
- Melva Williams, Rigolet Inuit Community Government
- Didier Naulleau, President of the Combined Councils of Labrador
- Sterling Peyton, Chair of the Labrador North Chamber of Commerce
- Kate Mitchell, Nunatsiavut Government
- Mark Nui, Innu Nation
- James Holwell, NunatuKavut Community Council

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The annual budget of the Department of Transportation and Works covers all costs pertaining to committee meetings as well as the travel costs incurred by members in attendance.

VISION AND MISSION

Given the mandate of the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation, the committee has reviewed the Vision and Mission of the Department of Transportation and Works, and adopted them where they relate to transportation in Labrador.

VISION

The Vision of the Department of Transportation and Works is of a safe, reliable and sustainable transportation and public works infrastructure and services, demonstrating the department's commitment to service excellence in supporting the social and economic needs of Newfoundland and Labrador.

MISSION

The Department of Transportation and Works will have improved transportation and building infrastructure and service delivery that supports the social and economic needs of Newfoundland and Labrador by 2017.

The mission statement identifies the priority focus of the Minister of the Department of Transportation and Works. By conveying the transportation needs of Labradorians, the committee assists Government in improving and aligning transportation services to meet the future economic and social needs of the Province. Additional information concerning the Department's Vision and Mission can be found in the Department of Transportation and Works' 2014-17 Strategic Plan.

REPORT ON PERFORMANCE

The Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation exists exclusively as an advisory body to government, and therefore has not developed goals, but rather a single objective to be reported on annually throughout the duration of the committee's 2014-17 Activity Plan. Similarly, the same measure and indicators listed below under this objective will also be reported on annually over this period.

OBJECTIVE

By March 31, 2016, the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation will have provided advice to the Minister pertaining to transportation in Labrador.

Measure: Provided advice to the Minister

Indicators: Provision of advice, when requested
Number of meetings held

2015-16 RESULTS

The Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation convened on two separate occasions, July and September 2015, in Happy Valley-Goose Bay. At these meetings, committee members held discussions and provided advice, where applicable, on a marine service model that would best meet the needs of Labrador residents and support regional economic development. The Committee also completed consultations with key stakeholders regarding marine services in Labrador. From those consultations, a "What We Heard" document was completed that outlines the input received and will help inform the long-term plan for marine services in Labrador (http://www.tw.gov.nl.ca/publications/what_we_heard.pdf).

