



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

**2014-15 Annual Report**



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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



As Chair of the Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation, it is my pleasure to present the committee's 2014-15 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 2014-15, the department made continued progress on the Trans Labrador Highway, with the completion of paving of 49 of 60 kilometers remaining for Phase 1; completion of two contracts for widening of 160 kilometers on both Phases 2 and 3; and, the awarding of two new contracts for widening of an additional 160 kilometers of Phases 2 and 3 and the first paving contract for 80 kilometers of Phase 3.

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 that reads "David Brazil". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**DAVID BRAZIL, MHA**  
Minister of Transportation and Works  
Chair, Minister's Advisory Committee on  
Labrador Transportation



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## 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 first 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, 2015 comprised of:

- Carol Burden, Port Hope Simpson
- Carol Gear, Makkovik
- First Minister, Nunatsiavut Government
- Myles O'Brien, L'Anse Au Loup
- Sylvia Shea, Happy Valley-Goose Bay
- Keith Watts, Happy Valley-Goose Bay

### 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.**

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## 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.

## OBJECTIVE

**By March 31, 2015, 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

## 2014-15 RESULTS

The Minister's Advisory Committee on Labrador Transportation was unable to convene a face-to-face meeting in the 2014-15 fiscal year due to scheduling conflicts. The Minister of Transportation and Works, as Chair of the committee, has throughout the year contacted members directly for advice on matters related to Labrador. These matters include the future of the Trans Labrador Highway, Labrador marine services, and air transportation. Through these discussions, the committee continues to advance the transportation needs of Labradorians to help shape future initiatives that will support the long-term social and economic development for the people of Labrador.

