

Innovation, Business and Rural Development

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

As Chair of the Air Access Advisory Committee, I am pleased to present the advisory committee's annual report for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 2012. The annual report is submitted in accordance with the entity's obligation as a category three entity under the *Transparency and Accountability Act*, and is prepared under the direction of the committee which is accountable for the actual results reported.

During the year the advisory committee provided input into air access issues. Dialogue and feedback during the committee meetings was informative, constructive and valuable to the delivery and direction of the strategy.

I thank the committee members for their contribution and commitment to provincial air access issues, and look forward to further collaboration, as it relates to provincial air access matters.

Sincerely,

Brent Meade

Chair



OVERVIEW

Established in August 2011, the Private Industry
Air Access Advisory Committee provides advice to
Government of Newfoundland and Labrador on matters
related to air access and in support of government's five
year strategy, Taking Flight - An Air Access Strategy for
Newfoundland and Labrador. The strategy which was
launched in 2010 provides a planned and coordinated
framework for improving air access in the province and
sets out an approach to resolving the issues of flight
availability and capacity at Newfoundland and Labrador
airports.

Committee members are selected from key organizations based on their vested interest in provincial air access matters. The organizations include: Deer Lake Regional Airport Authority, Gander International Airport Authority, Goose Bay Airport Corporation, Stephenville Airport Corporation, St. John's International Airport Authority, Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador, Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, Newfoundland and Labrador

Business Coalition, Newfoundland and Labrador Chamber of Commerce, the Nunatsiavut Government, and the Innu Nation.

The committee is appointed by Government for a three year term with the potential for re-appointment for a further two years. The three year appointment coincides with the initial implementation period of the strategy. Members of the committee will serve strictly in an advisory capacity. The committee does not have decision-making authority and participation is voluntary.



Mandate

The mandate of this Air Access Advisory Committee is to provide guidance to the Provincial Government on issues related to air access.

Values

The Air Access Advisory Committee supports the values of the Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development.

Primary Clients

The Air Access Advisory Committee primary responsibility is to the Provincial Government by providing guidance and monitoring implementation of the Air Access Strategy.

Vision

The Air Access Advisory Committee will support the vision of the newly formed Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development. The vision of the Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development is of a vibrant, diverse, and sustainable economy with productive and prosperous regions throughout the province.

Mission

The mission of Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development is as follows:

"By March 31, 2017, the Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development will have stimulated economic and business development to foster regional and provincial prosperity."



The Air Access Advisory Committee will support the mission of the newly formed Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development by providing input into air access issues. The mission statement identifies the priority focus area of the Minister of Innovation, Business and Rural Development. The mission spans over two planning cycles (2011-14 and 2014-17).



COMMITTEE'S OBJECTIVE AND ACTIVITIES

In developing the Air Access Strategy, one of the key recommendations supporting the strategy was the formation of an Air Access Advisory Committee to provide expert advice on province-wide issues related to air access. The Provincial Government will inform the members of the committee on the status of its strategy and on the progress of its implementation. The committee will provide advice to government relative to the direction of Air Access matters.

The objective below has been identified in the committee's 2011-14 Activity Plan and is reported on herein. This objective, measure and the indicator will also be reported upon every year for the 2011-14 Activity Plan.

ADMINISTRATION OF NEW INVESTMENTS:

Objective

By March 31, 2012, 2013 and 2014, the Air Access Advisory Committee will have provided advice in matters related to Air Access Strategy.

Measure

Provided advice

Indicators

The committee provided advice to the Department of Innovation, Business and Rural Development on the implementation of the Air Access Strategy.

Activities

The committee contributed to its Terms of Reference and developed its Activity Plan. The committee met twice during the year. The committee contributed by providing advice in relation to the air access strategy, its goals, programs and implications on air service and local airport authority initiatives







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