

## Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Highways and Infrastructure	
Title of Travel	Council of Ministers Responsible for Transportation and Highways Safety (Council of Ministers)	
Location	Montreal, QC	
Date(s)	January 20 - 21, 2019	
Participants	Honourable Lori Carr, Minister of Highways and Infrastructure David Cooper, Chief of Staff to the Minister of Highways and Infrastructure Fred Antunes, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure Blair Wagar, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure	
Purpose of Travel	To attend the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Council of Ministers responsible for Transportation and Highway Safety meeting	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees)		\$2,795.80
Ground Travel (including taxis and parking)		\$441.58
Accommodation (including room charges, incidentals, related taxes and fees)		\$1,144.71
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$351.00
Miscellaneous (including temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, and other sundry expenditures)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$4,733.09
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$4,733.09

## **Overview of Travel and Objectives**

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Minister Carr attended the FPT Council of Ministers responsible for Transportation and Highway Safety meeting.

The Council of Ministers meetings are open only to the federal government, the ten provinces and the three territories and generally meet once per year.

Deputy Minister, Fred Antunes supported the Minister during the meetings and ADM, Blair Wagar presented two items in his role as chair of PPSC (all ADMs).

### **Travel Activity:**

The Honourable Marc Garneau, Canada's Minister of Transport, and Minister Carr co-chaired the annual Council of Ministers responsible for Transportation and Highway Safety.

The goal of the 2019 meetings were to work together to improve safety, reduce vehicle emissions as well as increase competitiveness and innovation. While all agenda topics were important, Minister Carr set the tone that a couple of key priority areas for Saskatchewan are 'safety' and 'competitiveness'.

Safety related topics discussed included drug and alcohol-impaired driving, school bus safety, commercial vehicle regulation, minimum national entry level standards for commercial transport drivers and distracted driving.

Minister Carr also encouraged federal, provincial and territorial collaboration to help grow the economy, develop a National Highway System strategy, reduce red tape, and remove barriers to trade to ensure our regional and national economies are globally competitive.