

## Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

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

<b>Ministry</b>	Executive Council
<b>Title of Travel</b>	Premier's Mission to Washington
<b>Location</b>	Washington, DC
<b>Date(s)</b>	May 20 - 23, 2019
<b>Participants</b>	Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan Shannon Andrews, Chief of Staff to the Premier Graham Stewart, Deputy Chief of Staff to the Premier Jodi Banks, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Trade and Export Development
<b>Purpose of Travel</b>	To engage with members of the United States (U.S.) Administration and Members of Congress, acknowledge the importance of removing steel and aluminum tariffs and to ratify the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), identify the potential for harm from further U.S. trade actions, share Saskatchewan's (SK) perspective on the Canada-U.S. trade and energy relationship, and promote SK's leadership on carbon capture and storage.
<b>Total Travel Expenditures for Participants</b>	
<b>Air Travel</b> (including airfare and airport service fees)	\$4,543.64
<b>Ground Travel</b> (including taxis and parking)	\$129.09
<b>Accommodation</b> (including room charges, incidentals, related taxes and fees)	\$6,165.92
<b>Meals</b> (personal per diem meal claims)	\$452.26
<b>Conference and Registration Fees</b>	\$0.00
<b>Miscellaneous</b> (including temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, and other sundry expenditures)	\$360.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$11,650.91</b>
<b>General Travel Expenditures</b>	
<b>Business Hosting Expenses</b> (luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)	\$0.00
<b>Miscellaneous</b> (Including meeting rooms, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)	\$0.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,650.91</b>

## Overview of Travel and Objectives

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Premier Moe travelled to Washington, DC, to promote the benefits of trade between Saskatchewan (SK) and the United States (U.S.). Meetings were arranged with members of the U.S. Administration and Members of Congress that play key roles in influencing policy decisions in the U.S.

Objectives included:

- building on existing and developing new relationships to advance advocacy efforts on issues important to SK;
- highlighting the benefits of the Canada-U.S. relationship and encouraging support for the USMCA;
- acknowledging the importance of the agreement by Canada and the U.S. to remove U.S. tariffs on steel and aluminum, and Canadian counter tariffs;
- seeking intelligence on the Section 232 investigation on uranium and making the case for why Canadian uranium should be excluded from potential trade actions;
- underscoring the integrated nature of supply chains between SK and the U.S.;
- reinforcing SK's energy relationship with the U.S. and encouraging collaboration between Canada and the U.S. on energy infrastructure projects to ensure products can reach their intended market;
- expressing support for advocacy efforts to maintain the current hours of operation at four U.S. ports along the SK-Montana border (in response to the announcement by U.S. Customs and Border Protection that it was considering reducing the hours of operation at these ports); and,
- profiling the performance and results of SaskPower's Boundary Dam 3 Project and SK's leadership on carbon capture and storage (CCS).

### Travel Activity:

During the mission, Premier Moe met with members of the U.S. Administration, including:

- Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for International Energy and Environment Wells Griffith;
- Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Andrew Wheeler; and,
- Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for the Western Hemisphere John Melle.

Premier Moe met with Members of Congress from both the Republican and Democratic parties, with an emphasis on those the Premier had not previously met, including those representing border states, those representing states that serve as a top 10 trading partner for SK, or those holding positions on Congressional committees. Meetings included:

- Senator Chuck Grassley (R-IA);
- Senator Tim Scott (R-SC);
- Senator Jon Tester (D-MT);
- Senator John Hoeven (R-ND);
- Representative John Shimkus (R-IL);
- Representative Collin Peterson (D-MN);
- Representative Scott Peters (D-CA);
- Representative Greg Gianforte (R-MT); and,
- Representative James Clyburn (D-SC).

Premier Moe also attended a reception hosted by the American Legislative Exchange Council, and conducted several media interviews (i.e., Politico, The Globe and Mail and CTV) to highlight the importance of SK's relationship with the U.S.