

## Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

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

Ministry	Agriculture	
Title of Travel	Roundtable with Honourable Nate Horner – Beef Competitiveness Study	
Location	Calgary, AB	
Date(s)	April 11-12, 2023	
Participants	Honourable David Marit, Minister of Agriculture James Cherewyk, Chief of Staff to Minister Marit, Agriculture Paul Johnson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Agriculture	
Purpose of Travel	To discuss competitiveness of the western Canadian cattle sector	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$2,933.37
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$122.88
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$108.99
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$162.00
Conference & Registration Fees		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)		\$71.00
Subtotal		\$3,398.24
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for 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, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$3,398.24

## **Overview of Travel and Objectives**

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The purpose of the meeting was:

- to meet with Alberta Agriculture Minister Nate Horner to discuss the synergies in the cattle sector and potential areas of collaboration; and
- to meet with Alberta Agriculture Minister, Alberta cattle organizations, the Canadian Cattle Association, and the Saskatchewan Cattlemen's Association to discuss the Beef Competitiveness Study.

### **Travel Activity**

At the meeting, Ministers and Industry discussed the top barriers impacting the sector competitiveness: labour, federal regulations, access to capital, pathways and regulatory compliance, and market access. There was agreement to continue to work together to address some of the issues impacting sector competitiveness.