

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

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

Ministry	Executive Council	
Title of Travel	2024 Western Premier’s Conference (WPC)	
Location	Whitehorse, YT	
Date(s)	June 8 - 10, 2024	
Participants	Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan Shannon Andrews, Chief of Staff to Premier Moe Julie Leggott, Deputy Chief of Staff – Communications and Press Secretary to Premier Moe	
Purpose of Travel	To attend the 2024 Western Premiers’ Conference	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$3,375.75
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$0.00
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$1,556.10
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$233.00
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)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$5,164.85
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		\$5,164.85

Overview of Travel and Objectives

WPC brings together the Premiers from Canada's four Western Provinces and three Territories. All Premiers were in attendance.

Saskatchewan's primary focus for the meeting was to strengthen alignment among Western Provinces and Territories (PTs) and determine areas for joint collaboration, including pushing back against federal intrusion into areas of exclusive PT jurisdiction. Premier Moe led discussions on electrification and energy security and affordability, including the federal carbon tax.

Travel Activity

Western Premiers discussed several topics related to Federal-Provincial-Territorial relations, including the state of Canada's federation, and highlighted affordability concerns, infrastructure, and economic prosperity for Canadians. Western Premiers also discussed positioning going into the Council of the Federation Summer Meeting in July 2024.

Premiers released a joint communiqué calling for federal partnership and commitments in seven priority areas:

- 1) Affordability
- 2) Economic prosperity and Indigenous economic reconciliation
- 3) Electrification and energy security
- 4) Arctic security
- 5) Canada – United States relations
- 6) Public safety
- 7) Disaster preparedness and response

The WPC communiqué is available on the Yukon government's website at:

<https://yukon.ca/en/news/western-premiers-focus-affordability-economic-prosperity-and-secure-future>.

The WPC meeting concluded with a closing press conference, with media in-person and on the phone asking questions. Premier Moe participated in the press conference.