Dear [Name],

RE: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Our File TW/094/2017)

On July 24, 2017, the Department of Transportation and Works received your request for access to the following records/information:

Please provide all correspondence between MHA Lisa Dempster and the Minister, his staff and officials regarding road conditions/ road work in Labrador. This request would cover the time period of January 1, 2016 to July 24, 2017.

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Deputy Minister of Transportation and Works to provide access to some of the requested information as follows:

- Correspondence from former Minister of Transportation and Works (pg. 1 – 17)
- Correspondence from Deputy Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister - Operations (pg. 18-45)
- Correspondence from Director of Road Operations (pg. 46-73)
- Correspondence from Communications Director (pg. 73-78)

Access to the remaining record information contained within the records, has been refused in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure, as specified in the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the Act):

- 29. (1)(a) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information that would reveal advice, proposals, recommendations, analyses or policy options developed by or for a public body or minister.
40. (1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant where the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy.

Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the Act. A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner.

The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner  
2 Canada Drive  
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A  
St. John’s, NL. A1B 3V8  
Telephone: (709) 729-6309  
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309  
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at 709-729-5303 or by e-mail at MichaelCook@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Michael Cook  
ATIPP Coordinator  
Department of Transportation and Works  
Enclosures
Policy advice or recommendations

29. (1) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information that would reveal

(a) advice, proposals, recommendations, analyses or policy options developed by or for a public body or minister;

(b) the contents of a formal research report or audit report that in the opinion of the head of the public body is incomplete and in respect of which a request or order for completion has been made by the head within 65 business days of delivery of the report; or

(c) draft legislation or regulations.

(2) The head of a public body shall not refuse to disclose under subsection (1)

(a) factual material;

(b) a public opinion poll;

(c) a statistical survey;

(d) an appraisal;

(e) an environmental impact statement or similar information;

(f) a final report or final audit on the performance or efficiency of a public body or on any of its programs or policies;

(g) a consumer test report or a report of a test carried out on a product to test equipment of the public body;

(h) a feasibility or technical study, including a cost estimate, relating to a policy or project of the public body;

(i) a report on the results of field research undertaken before a policy proposal is formulated;

(j) a report of an external task force, committee, council or similar body that has been established to consider a matter and make a report or recommendations to a public body;

(k) a plan or proposal to establish a new program or to change a program, if the plan or proposal has been approved or rejected by the head of the public body;
(l) information that the head of the public body has cited publicly as the basis for making a decision or formulating a policy; or

(m) a decision, including reasons, that is made in the exercise of a discretionary power or an adjudicative function and that affects the rights of the applicant.

(3) Subsection (1) does not apply to information in a record that has been in existence for 15 years or more.
Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

40. (1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant where the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy.

(2) A disclosure of personal information is not an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy where

(a) the applicant is the individual to whom the information relates;

(b) the third party to whom the information relates has, in writing, consented to or requested the disclosure;

(c) there are compelling circumstances affecting a person's health or safety and notice of disclosure is given in the form appropriate in the circumstances to the third party to whom the information relates;

(d) an Act or regulation of the province or of Canada authorizes the disclosure;

(e) the disclosure is for a research or statistical purpose and is in accordance with section 70;

(f) the information is about a third party's position, functions or remuneration as an officer, employee or member of a public body or as a member of a minister's staff;

(g) the disclosure reveals financial and other details of a contract to supply goods or services to a public body;

(h) the disclosure reveals the opinions or views of a third party given in the course of performing services for a public body, except where they are given in respect of another individual;

(i) public access to the information is provided under the Financial Administration Act;

(j) the information is about expenses incurred by a third party while travelling at the expense of a public body;

(k) the disclosure reveals details of a licence, permit or a similar discretionary benefit granted to a third party by a public body, not including personal information supplied in support of the application for the benefit;

(l) the disclosure reveals details of a discretionary benefit of a financial nature granted to a third party by a public body, not including...
(i) personal information that is supplied in support of the application for the benefit, or

(ii) personal information that relates to eligibility for income and employment support under the *Income and Employment Support Act* or to the determination of income or employment support levels; or

(m) the disclosure is not contrary to the public interest as described in subsection (3) and reveals only the following personal information about a third party:

(i) attendance at or participation in a public event or activity related to a public body, including a graduation ceremony, sporting event, cultural program or club, or field trip, or

(ii) receipt of an honour or award granted by or through a public body.

(3) The disclosure of personal information under paragraph (2)(m) is an unreasonable invasion of personal privacy where the third party whom the information is about has requested that the information not be disclosed.

(4) A disclosure of personal information is presumed to be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy where

(a) the personal information relates to a medical, psychiatric or psychological history, diagnosis, condition, treatment or evaluation;

(b) the personal information is an identifiable part of a law enforcement record, except to the extent that the disclosure is necessary to dispose of the law enforcement matter or to continue an investigation;

(c) the personal information relates to employment or educational history;

(d) the personal information was collected on a tax return or gathered for the purpose of collecting a tax;

(e) the personal information consists of an individual's bank account information or credit card information;

(f) the personal information consists of personal recommendations or evaluations, character references or personnel evaluations;

(g) the personal information consists of the third party's name where

(i) it appears with other personal information about the third party, or
(ii) the disclosure of the name itself would reveal personal information about the third party; or

(h) the personal information indicates the third party's racial or ethnic origin or religious or political beliefs or associations.

(5) In determining under subsections (1) and (4) whether a disclosure of personal information constitutes an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy, the head of a public body shall consider all the relevant circumstances, including whether

(a) the disclosure is desirable for the purpose of subjecting the activities of the province or a public body to public scrutiny;

(b) the disclosure is likely to promote public health and safety or the protection of the environment;

(c) the personal information is relevant to a fair determination of the applicant's rights;

(d) the disclosure will assist in researching or validating the claims, disputes or grievances of aboriginal people;

(e) the third party will be exposed unfairly to financial or other harm;

(f) the personal information has been supplied in confidence;

(g) the personal information is likely to be inaccurate or unreliable;

(h) the disclosure may unfairly damage the reputation of a person referred to in the record requested by the applicant;

(i) the personal information was originally provided to the applicant; and

(j) the information is about a deceased person and, if so, whether the length of time the person has been deceased indicates the disclosure is not an unreasonable invasion of the deceased person's personal privacy.
Access or correction complaint

42.(1) A person who makes a request under this Act for access to a record or for correction of personal information may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting a decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request.

(2) A complaint under subsection (1) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16(2).

(3) A third party informed under section 19 of a decision of the head of a public body to grant access to a record or part of a record in response to a request may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting that decision.

(4) A complaint under subsection (3) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days after the third party is informed of the decision of the head of the public body.

(5) The commissioner may allow a longer time period for the filing of a complaint under this section.

(6) A person or third party who has appealed directly to the Trial Division under subsection 52(1) or 53(1) shall not file a complaint with the commissioner.

(7) The commissioner shall refuse to investigate a complaint where an appeal has been commenced in the Trial Division.

(8) A complaint shall not be filed under this section with respect to

(a) a request that is disregarded under section 21;

(b) a decision respecting an extension of time under section 23;

(c) a variation of a procedure under section 24; or

(d) an estimate of costs or a decision not to waive a cost under section 26.

(9) The commissioner shall provide a copy of the complaint to the head of the public body concerned.
Direct appeal to Trial Division by an applicant

52. (1) Where an applicant has made a request to a public body for access to a record or correction of personal information and has not filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42, the applicant may appeal the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request directly to the Trial Division.

(2) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (1) not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16(2).

(3) Where an applicant has filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42 and the commissioner has refused to investigate the complaint, the applicant may commence an appeal in the Trial Division of the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request for access to a record or for correction of personal information.

(4) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (3) not later than 15 business days after the applicant is notified of the commissioner's refusal under subsection 45(2).
Hi Jody,

Please pass on to appropriate individuals.

Spring and fall we always get feedback on road with fall freeze and spring thaw but in recent weeks we've had an unusual amount similar to this one.

We've also had a # of accidents. Wanted to make you aware as I'm not sure if there is more that can be done than is being done. Tks.

Lisa Dempster, MHA
Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair
Deputy Speaker House of Assembly

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Ryland, Michelle <MichelleRyland@gov.nl.ca>
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 3:33 PM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: RE:

Spoke with him he returned from GB yesterday, the road is horrendous. It’s a real safety issue now, the ruts are so deep, they can throw you right off the road. They only drove about 30kms.

The ruts are like railroad tracks from Crooks Lake to CWRT Junction.

He called Dion tee & left messages but he has not returned his call yet.

Traveled in on Wednesday & back yesterday & did not see 1 piece of equipment on the road. Wondered if the ruts could be scraped down, understands it can't be graded but surely s/thing can be done.

Also, mentioned the fact that when the boat is running unable to ship from CWRT-GB, don't make a lot of sense. The boat goes there anyway, why should that not be an option. The road is not always suitable to travel over & there are ppl who don't have the capacity to drive freight/product to GB... what are their options?

He also said to pass along Hello to Lisa. ☺️

Michelle Normore-Ryland | Constituency Assistant

MHA Lisa Dempster
Cartwright - L'Anse Au Clair
1-800-286-9118 / 709- 931-2118 (t) | 709-931-2520 (f) | michelleryland@gov.nl.ca

"Working Together Makes A Difference"
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2016 11:36 AM  
To: Ryland, Michelle  
Subject: Fw: Call him back for me please  

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.  

From: Parsons, Gail <qailparsons@gov.nl.ca>  
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 11:28 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject:  

Lisa,  

left a voice message requesting to speak with you.  

Kind regards,  

Gail Parsons  
Office Manager  
Government Member's Office  
House of Assembly - Newfoundland & Labrador  
P.O. Box 8700, 100 Prince Phillip Drive  
St. John's NL A1B 4J6  
Tel: (709) 729-3261 / 3400  
Fax: (709) 729-5202  
Toll Free: 1-800-813-9157
Re: TLH Funding Facts

Hawkins, Allan

Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:04 PM
To: Dempster, Lisa; Dunford, Joe; Trimper, Perry
Cc: Murphy, Ian; Letto, Graham; Howard, Jacquelyn

Last year the business plan that we sent to Federal Govt was for $63m but the tender came back at $54 of $55m so the federal Govt cost share it at 50/50.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:01 PM
To: Dunford, Joe; Trimper, Perry
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Letto, Graham; Howard, Jacquelyn
Subject: Re: TLH Funding Facts

That was read in Budget today. I too wondered was it new money

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Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:00 PM
To: Trimper, Perry
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Dempster, Lisa; Letto, Graham; Howard, Jacquelyn
Subject: Re: TLH Funding Facts

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From: Trimper, Perry
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 9:52 PM
To: Dunford, Joe
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Dempster, Lisa; Letto, Graham; Howard, Jacquelyn
Subject: Re: TLH Funding Facts

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Project Budget = $44M plus engineering
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Note:

https://owa.gov.nl.ca/OWA/Discovery-TW@gov.nl.ca/?ae=Item&t=IPM.Note&id=RgAAA... 8/1/2017
TLH projects are bundled based on contract size, typically a maximum of 80 kilometres, and area (i.e., Phase II or III of the TLH). Expenditures from 2006 to 2017 were 509M. Average of about 50M per year.

I hope this helps. If you need anything else please let me know. I can be reached at [redacted].

Joe

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Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 6:32 PM
To: Dunford, Joe
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Dempster, Lisa; Letto, Graham
Subject: TLH Funding Facts

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Just need a simple table or summary.

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Re: TLH Funding Facts

Dempster, Lisa

Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 9:18 PM
To: Howard, Jacquelyn; Trimper, Perry; Dunford, Joe
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Letto, Graham; Pitcher, Margot; Budgell, Marc

I’ve noted a couple of corrections in the messaging... it says 80 K from Blanc Sablon to Pinware. That should read 44 K from Quebec border to Pinware...

Also Re continuation of leveling... hotjing was done last year... I’m awaiting an update from TW after they connect with contractors to see what is the start date this season. My dear is we may lose a second season since the money gave been awarded. I trust I’m wrong.

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From: Howard, Jacquelyn
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2017 12:26 PM
To: Trimper, Perry; Dunford, Joe
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Dempster, Lisa; Letto, Graham; Pitcher, Margot; Budgell, Marc
Subject: RE: TLH Funding Facts

Hello everyone,

Below are key messages regarding road work in Labrador.

Jacquelyn

Transportation and Works
Budget 2017 Road Work – Labrador and Cost-shared Funding
April 7, 2017

Summary: Government has announced $55.7 million to continue hard surfacing of the Trans Labrador Highway. This funding is part of the $63 million over three years announced last year. Government is also working to leverage Federal Government funding for the TLH and there are projects identified in the Provincial Roads Plan for Labrador. Potential questions: What has been provided for road work in Labrador in Budget 2017? What work can we expect to see happening this year?

Key messages:

- Budget 2017 allocates $55.7 million to continue hard surfacing of the Trans Labrador Highway. This project was started last year and will continue this construction season.
• We continue to build on a productive and successful partnership with our federal colleagues. With this in mind, business cases have been submitted to the federal government for further projects on the Trans Labrador Highway.

• We are seeking cost shared funding for widening and hard surfacing of Phase II and III – Charlottetown Junction to Cartwright Junction and Cartwright Junction to 160 km east of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. We anticipate a positive response and more good news to announce in the months ahead.

• There is also road work identified for Labrador in the Five-Year Provincial Roads Plan:
  - The Provincial Roads Plan includes a multi-year project on Route 510 to pulverize and pave sections of road from Quebec border to Pinware. A section of 3 Km from Forteau to English Point will be done this construction season.
  - We are also seeking Federal Government funding for a multi-year project to pulverize and pave nearly 80 km of road between Blanc Sablon and Pinware.
  - The Provincial Roads Plan also includes the continuation of levelling in areas at Forteau and West St. Modeste

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Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:04 PM
To: Dunford, Joe
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Murphy, Ian; Dempster, Lisa; Letto, Graham; Howard, Jacquelyn
Subject: Re: TLH Funding Facts

This is the number announced in the Budget Speech today...’$55.7 M to advance hard surfacing of the TLH’

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Re: Trans Labrador Highway

Dempster, Lisa

Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:03 PM
To: Dunford, Joe; Pitcher, Margot; Trimper, Perry; Edmunds, Randy; Letto, Graham
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; King, Tracy

Thanks for detailed timely reply. Very, very, very pleased to know the work that gets out the door this season will see the last of the widening and upgrading. We can live with a section not paved. It's the stuff with no top right now that's to your waist that's taking the toil on everyone.

Re asphalt...yes we know it's the mega heavy loads. We pass it every day...and no monitoring of weight. We need it addressed. Thanks again.

Lisa Dempster, MHA
Cartwright L'Anse au Clair
Deputy Speaker, House of Assembly
Tel: 1 800 286 9118

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From: Dunford, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 7:53 PM
To: Dempster, Lisa; Pitcher, Margot; Trimper, Perry; Edmunds, Randy; Letto, Graham
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; King, Tracy
Subject: Re: Trans Labrador Highway

MHA Dempster,

The business cases for this year will not complete all of it. We still have a section of hard surfacing to do thereafter. This section was already widened previously. We will submit for that once we see the bids for the next two business cases come in after tender.

The maintenance contract closed today. It will be checked for compliance later this week. Will award within a couple weeks provided no issues with the bid.

Some of the asphalt deterioration we are seeing is due to heavy loads. This will be addressed either through warranty (2 year) or summer maintenance.

Will gladly update you on the meeting with the contractor once finished. I intend to relay the importance of the leveling contract.

All for now.

Joe
Re: Trans Labrador Highway

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 7:43 PM
To: Pitcher, Margot; Trimper, Perry; Edmunds, Randy; Letto, Graham
Cc: Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; King, Tracy
Subject: Trans Labrador Highway

Question for clarification purposes...based on what I'm reading here it looks like business cases submitted this year for the remaining 213 K of upgrading and paving. Is this correct???? Or is it too good to be true :)

I would like to know who the maintenance contract was awarded too? I know it's been extended several times so anxious to know.

Can you please provide me with an update on weigh scales for #TLH. 80 K of pavement on Goose end only two years old showing lots of signs of deterioration. This is extremely troubling.

Lastly, I'd like an update following meeting with Johnsons. I trust the small piece of work in Lab Straits will be too priority.

Trust everyone is having an enjoyable Easter.

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From: Pitcher, Margot
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:55 PM
To: Trimper, Perry; Edmunds, Randy; Letto, Graham; Dempster, Lisa
Subject: FW: Trans Labrador Highway

Good afternoon MHA’s;

I hope you are enjoying your time in your district, if you are fortunate enough to still be there! We have had a media inquiry regarding roadwork in Labrador. I’m sending the response below to you for your information. I will also send along some key messages as well.
From: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:42 PM  
To: Pitcher, Margot <MargotPitcher@gov.nl.ca>  
Cc: Dunford, Joe <JoeDunford@gov.nl.ca>; King, Tracy <TracyKing@gov.nl.ca>  
Subject: FW: Trans Labrador Highway

Here is the response we provided to CBC Labrador earlier today regarding road work in Labrador. Note the reference to snow clearing and summer maintenance. That would be good information for the MHAs to be aware of as well. Jacq.

From: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:19 PM  
To: Scott, Brian  
Subject: RE: Trans Labrador Highway

Hi

Budget 2017 allocates $55.7 million this year to continue upgrading and paving the TLH from Red Bay to Charlottetown Junction. The hard surfacing is paving. Also this year, work will begin on a project for Route 510 from the Quebec border to Red Bay with leveling, pulverizing and paving in Forteau. This season, a levelling project will also be undertaken in West St. Modeste.

The department is also working with the federal government to cost- share funding for widening and hard surfacing of Phase II and III of the TLH – Charlottetown Junction to Cartwright Junction and Cartwright Junction to 160 kilometres east of Happy Valley-Goose Bay. These projects will get underway once that agreement is finalized.

Regarding the snow clearing and summer maintenance contracts, there is no gap in service. Service

https://owa.gov.nl.ca/OWA/Discovery-TW@gov.nl.ca/?ae=Item&t=IPM.Note&id=RgAAA...  8/1/2017
levels and equipment compliment for grading is the same for winter and summer. Grading can only be performed when the road conditions are suitable. It can’t be done when the ground is frozen or extremely wet, which is often the case at this time of year.

Thanks for touching base. Sorry about the timeline in getting back to you....

Jacquelyn

Director of Communications
Department of Transportation and Works
709-729-3015, 689-2624

The safe way is the only way.

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 2:35 PM
To: Scott, Brian
Cc: Howard, Jacquelyn
Subject: Re: Trans Labrador Highway

Thank you Brian!

On Thu, Apr 13, 2017 at 2:01PM, Scott, Brian <BrianScott@gov.nl.ca> wrote:
Hi [Redacted],

Looking into getting this info for you. I'll send it along as soon as I have it.

Thanks,
Brian

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 12:53 PM
To: Scott, Brian
Subject: Trans Labrador Highway

Hey Brian,

I'm working on a story about the Trans Labrador highway. Was hoping to get an understanding of exactly what the overall plan is for the South Coast part of the road right now...

It says there's "$55.7 million to advance hard surfacing of the Trans Labrador Highway." is there no plans for pavement anywhere?

Also, when will the work be going ahead to do the portion of the highway between Cartwright and Charlottetown Junctions.

ALSO

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Is there a gap in the snow clearing contract and the summer maintenance contract? I was told that graders won't come out on the roads (particularly near Port Hope Simpson), until they're contract begins on May the 1st. I just want to understand if there is any gap in service...

Give me a shout if you need any clarification. 

Thanks,
Re: Labrador highway

Hawkins, Allan

Sent: Monday, July 03, 2017 8:06 PM
To: Dempster, Lisa; Dunford, Joe; King, Tracy

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Sent from my iPhone
Re: Straits
Dempster, Lisa

Sent: Sunday, July 23, 2017 11:24 PM
To: Dunford, Joe; King, Tracy; Howard, Jacquelyn; Pitcher, Margot; Hawkins, Allan

No not good news at all...meanwhile protest continues and gaining momentum. Only thing worse...and yeah can't get much worse...but only thing worst is continuing to do work with this contractor. They have proven their incompetence again and again. I'm getting beaten endlessly on every side. Even southern labrador a year in is not looking like we're getting too much from these guys into second season. So sad...and what's worse were considering continuing with those guys next year? There has to be a way to toss them and penalize then to max on the way out.

Thanks Joe for the update..i appreciate that but am getting near the end of my rope with NO work on the ground....goose egg..since we took gov in 2015 and despite all the carry over and low money out the door I can't get even 5-600,000.00 to stop the protest that is causing so much disruption in traffic. My uncle for example drove 650 K today to border got delayed in protest and missed ferry..thats happening pretty regularly to folk the past 3 days. A lot of turmoil...all taking a toil.

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From: Dunford, Joe
Sent: Sunday, July 23, 2017 11:04 PM
To: King, Tracy; Howard, Jacquelyn; Pitcher, Margot; Hawkins, Allan; Dempster, Lisa
Subject: Straits

Hi all,

A quick update...

The primary issue at the moment in the straits is that the boiler cannot get up to temperature. The pressing issue is the boiler that heats the AC tanks. There are three Liquid AC tanks with a total capacity of about 300 t. The liquid in the tanks is heated by a diesel fired boiler and the contractor have not been able to get the liquid up to mixing temperature (~330 d F). The manufacturer feels that there may be a nozzle issue in the boiler and has sent a replacement which is expected to clear customs and be onsite tomorrow or Tuesday. Presently the boiler can heat to ~ 300 d F. If they can get to mixing temperature prior to the nozzle arriving then they will produce and get started provided they can maintain the heating load.

Unfortunately not great news. I will update further as I get the information. Hoping for a better day tomorrow.

Joe
Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.
Response needed

Dempster, Lisa

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Hawkins, Allan; King, Tracy; Howard, Jacquelyn; Ball, Dwight; Cannizzaro, Michelle; Buckle, Joy

Just had a call from demonstrations in Lab Straits. Another public meeting being held tonight. They are looking for ONE of TWO things.
Either a commitment to 9 k of levelling for now for emergency measures OR
One or both Minister of TW and/or Minister for Labrador to come into region and explain why no additional levelling. Basically, they want the commitment from a Minister that the work will be started at the border in next tender etc and that is why no levelling now. If it came directly from a person in authority they told me today they would hang up their signs and go home.

I would like a response as to whether or not this can happen before the public meeting tonight at 7 in LAL. Thank you.

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Dear MHA Dempster:

I appreciate your frustration over the last few weeks and would like to provide an update on the status of work in your area. I want to assure you and your constituents that this government is dedicated to taking the actions required to improve the quality of roads across Labrador. Early in our mandate we recognized the need to address the current road situation on Route 510. As part of our Five Year Roads Plan, government has allocated $25 million for road work on Route 510 from the Quebec border to Red Bay.

This road work was scheduled to start this year by pulverizing and paving 3.0 km in Forteau-English Point. This is in addition to the 3.5km of levelling carried over from last year. To quickly address the serious concerns in the areas you had previously identified, the scope of this project has changed and will now become a levelling project (approximately 11km this year) as a temporary measure. The pulverize and pave work will commence next year to ensure a permanent solution is in place.

In addition, we anticipate federal approvals for the project from the Quebec border to Pinware in the coming weeks. Tenders will then be prepared for this fall and work will begin at the Quebec border next construction season.

This government agrees that work in this area is absolutely essential and was identified as a priority in our Five Year Road’s Plan. We are committed to this goal and will do what we can to expedite the project. I want to assure you as Minister of Transportation and Works, and as a colleague, that every effort is being made to begin the levelling in the areas you have identified. Currently we are monitoring the contractor’s activity and its progress in getting the asphalt plant operational. This work mirrors what is being requested by your constituents and we look forward to continuing to work with you to advance projects in your area.

Best Regards,

Minister

Tracy King
Deputy Minister
Transportation and Works
Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
(709)729-3676

“Avoid the worst. Put safety first”
From: Howard, Jacquelyn
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 1:02 PM
To: King, Tracy <TracyKing@gov.nl.ca>
Subject: RE: new draft ..last one ..promise :)  

Any more leveling work carried out this year would only have to be redone in a short period of time with a more permanent repair. Essentially, we would be doing work now that would have to be replaced next year.

It may also be good to say....I assure you that your concerns and the condition of the highway is of the utmost importance to me as your representative, to the department of TW and to our government. These steps will address the areas and concerns you have raised.
From: King, Tracy  
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:57 PM  
To: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Subject: FW: new draft .. last one .. promise :)  

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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:48 PM  
To: Ryland, Michelle <MichelleRyland@gov.nl.ca>; King, Tracy <TracyKing@gov.nl.ca>; Dunford, Joe <JoeDunford@gov.nl.ca>  
Subject: new draft .. last one .. promise :)  

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:41 PM  
To: King, Tracy; Dunford, Joe; Ryland, Michelle  
Subject: Route 510-draft post  

Good day everyone,
I just wanted to provide a brief update on where things are regarding Route 510 in the Labrador Straits from L'Anse au Clair to Red bay. Following a meeting with elected representatives last week, immediate measures were taken to address the serious concerns around the condition of the road; summer maintenance activities have increased through the use of the hot asphalt recycler and an additional crew was brought in. Changes were also made to the work scheduled to be carried out in the coming days. As you know, three areas were identified for levelling (Forteau Gas station area, West St Modeste, and an area from English point towards crow head). In addition to those three areas, following up on what we heard from elected representatives last Monday night, the planned paving scheduled for this summer have now been converted to levelling, and three additional serious areas will be addressed (A section between L’Anse au Clair and Forteau, Crowhead, L’Anse Amour branch, and the Battery). The contractors asphalt plant is in place and the liquid asphalt will be flowing as soon as possible.

In addition to the above work that will be done this summer, Government have allocated over $25 million for new pavement from Quebec border to Red bay. This includes two projects from the Quebec border to Pinware and from Pinware to Red Bay. As your representative I will work tirelessly to ensure the first tender goes out between January and March 2018 so as much pavement as possible gets completed in summer 2018.

While municipal leaders did request more levelling this season, areas levelled this year would not justify receiving new pavement next year. Our focus needs to continue to be on getting route 510 newly paved as soon as possible. The 11 kilometers of levelling being done right now will help to address the safety concerns of the travelling public AND will also mean a smaller area for the maintenance crew to maintain. Government will also be following contractor performances closely and any issues will be dealt with through appropriate clauses of the contractor. I will continue to keep you updated as new information becomes available.

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Good evening,

I am writing to you all tonight on what may be rhetorical to you but as a resident of a part of our great province that I am so proud to call home I felt it necessary to address you with my concern about "transportation" in the Labrador Straits region.

First of us upon entering the area we travel the MV Apollo which has had its issues for years that I will not go into great detail with now but my question is what is the plan as this contract will soon be expired? The ferry terminal in Blanc Sablon is a disgrace, the washrooms are filthy when they work, there is limited parking space, the ferry terminal itself is very uninviting with an lingering odour, limited seating, no place to get food or drink, just disgraceful! Who is responsible for the ferry terminal?

Our roads, where to begin. Over the last couple of years I recall both of you being in the region and seeing first hand the deplorable state of the "highway" will it has gotten much worst. I personally in the last 12 months have damaged rims, ruined three tires, broke my front bumper, replaced sway bar links just to name a few that come to mind quickly all because of the road conditions. I know that MHA Dempster can probably attest to similar damage to her own personal vehicle from when she too travels the district and the stories are being talked about all the time and everywhere, it is not just something happening sometimes but all the time. We are living and working here, those conditions are dangerous and each and every day I pray that God will guide every individual that travels route 510. Can you please tell me where in our province individuals are having to travel over 80kms of the main highway "TCH" because that is what route 510 is and endure the same condition we have to every time we get in our vehicles? I am hearing that some 19 loads of cold patch was delivered in the Labrador straits, please tell me what other "single" depot had the same amount delivered? I am sure there are other road issues in this province but I do not think there is anywhere in the state we are in.

No doubt this region has been neglected over the years by the previous administration and that financial restraints are tremendous right now but this is an emergency. I hear of government investing in the tourism industry and I love hearing positive things but on the other hand our tourism industry which took years to build is suffering BIG TIME this season for one reason, our road and how sad is that! I hear of bus tours cancelling, individual traffic coming so far up route 510 and turning back. I hear of locals coming home for vacation and leaving their vehicles in st barbe and walking on the ferry, those examples are shameful. In just seven weeks time we have our children returning to school and having to travel those roads on a school bus is just not safe!
I plead with you and your government to please provide emergency funding and correct the issues we have here in the Labrador straits before something tragic happens.

Please, if you do not believe me come visit for yourself and see first hand what we have to endure every day, it's just crazy.

If you need clarification I will be more than happy to provide it. Thanks for taking the time to read my concerns and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Sent from my iPhone
Lisa,

Are you available for a call?

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Hi Minister Hawkins,

I’m going to make a request that I have made many times in recent years. If there is a stretch of road with the volume of traffic that goes through the Labrador Straits in worst conditions than route 510 please tell me where it is and I will go there on my own expense to see it and drive it. I’ve asked this question many times and have yet to get an answer. Your interview yesterday stating that you have a 5 year plan and that there’s bad roads all over the province have really escalated a terrible situation here in Labrador. People have gone from scared for their safety to infuriated after hearing the interview. We can’t make statements unless we can back them up.

I have completely exhausted myself in the past year and half trying to get my message across of the state of the straits highway and the need to have it addressed immediately. Today in the midst of the
furey..people now feel I have not done a very good job articulating just how extreme the situation is. A 5 year roads plan is unacceptable for that region given the state of emergency. I'm getting calls now from all over the Island, from out of Province, strangers showing up at my house, hotel owners calling because your buses are canceling, etc.

We now have demonstrations being planned, and we have mayors in southern Labrador that have took it upon themselves to start petitions in every community in Labrador etc. Every day I'm being asked why I have no pull as a MHA in Gov. This issue is not going away and things will continue to ramp up because the conditions demand it. We don't have 3 years to address it we need measures now.

I'd like an update in writing as to where things are with Johnsons on the two tenders already awarded to them? Exactly what areas are being done..ie- Does it start at police Stn in Forteau or before that? How far does it run? Coming up out of EP on crow head the road is extremely right to LAM beach then improves considerably to LAL. I'd like to know how far the work goes there and where it starts and ends in WSM. This must be already in paper somewhere. I'd like to know if progress was made with regard to securing a plant to try hot asphalt? And I believe unless we are able to address expediting the current paving plan than consideration must be given to pulverizing at least 3-4 extreme areas. I know TW have been told there’s differ equipment used in straits for snow clearing as opposed to South East but I learned today this is not the case.

Thank you and I look forward to a reply so I have accurate messaging in my many many Inquiries.

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I can give you a ring. How best to reach you?

Joe Dunford, M.Eng. P.Eng.
Assistant Deputy Minister - Transportation
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P: (709) 729-0648

-----Original Message-----
From: Hawkins, Allan
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 1:54 PM
To: Dempster, Lisa <LisaDempster@gov.nl.ca>; Dunford, Joe <JoeDunford@gov.nl.ca>; King, Tracy <TracyKing@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Pitcher, Margot <MargotPitcher@gov.nl.ca>; nancyburden@gov.nl.ca
Subject: RE: Labrador highway

We have been swamped here this week. Joe & Tracy-are you available for short discussion later today

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From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 1:52 PM
To: Hawkins, Allan <AllanHawkins@gov.nl.ca>; Dunford, Joe <JoeDunford@gov.nl.ca>; King, Tracy <TracyKing@gov.nl.ca>
Subject: Re: Labrador highway

I didn't get a reply and am anxious to discuss. Tks

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I just read the story about the condition of the Labrador Straits Highway, and as a native Labradorian I have to say I am disgusted and ashamed. How could our elected politicians leave the road deteriorate to the condition it is now. The road is unsafe to travel on. Here we are spending thousands of dollars in tourism ads and we have a section of road from the Quebec Labrador Border to Pinware River that is not fit or safe to drive on.

We have a World Heritage site in Red Bay and the road is in such a deplorable condition people cannot even get there without risking their lives and certainly the risk of doing significant damage to their vehicle. If we had roads anywhere on the island like this there would be an uproar. Make any wonder the residents are talking of re-drawing the Quebec Labrador Border. I am a true Labradorian, but in this case I have to agree with them. The road on the Quebec side is in first class condition, while the road on the Labrador side is not fit to drive on.

Yvonne and Lisa, if you cannot do any better than this for your district then you should do the Honorable thing and resign, or maybe you don’t care because it is the Labrador Straits and not your hometown area. When you were in opposition you both were on the radio and television all the time complaining or making a noise about something and what you would do if you were in Government. Now you are in Government and we don’t hear boo from you. Is it because you cannot deliver or afraid to take on your own Government. Come on ladies it is time you do something for the people of the Labrador Straits. Surely you can do better than this. They deserve better than this. If you cannot deliver then you should resign.

A frustrated and disappointed Labradorian.

Here’s the story we just put up:

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Honorable Members, Ministers, and Premier

I doubt if this is the first time you heard this, however, as an outsider but concerned citizen, I would like to bring to your attention what I consider to be worst than deplorable road conditions in Southern Labrador from Red Bay to the Quebec Border. I just returned from a visit to Labrador City and normally when approaching pavement, after driving over 100s of kilometers of dirt road, one would look forward to a paved road, however, it was something I dreaded after experiencing it going to Labrador City a couple of weeks before. I doubt if you will find worst roads in third world countries, and to think, that this is what greets tourists to this beautiful part of our province, is disgusting. Local garages are blocked, repairing tires and other auto damage from driving over the road. We are not talking about bumps here, we are talking about small sharp craters, that are so numerous in places, that you cannot avoid them, even by driving on the shoulder.

I have no idea why the provincial government hasn't acted on this and why the residence and local governments are not demanding that this be fixed. We are putting millions into preparing other parts of the TLH,(the best gravel road I have ever driven on) for pavement, so I don't see why we can't spend a few dollars on patch work, until we can do a proper job of repaving of the straits road.

Another issue that needs to be addressed is the sub-standard Ferry Terminal in Blanc Sablon. I don't know what the NL Government can do, however, it should do what it can to influence the Quebec Government and or Labrador Marine to do some upgrades.

Please do what you can to improve the lives of those living in the area, and improve the terrible impression we are leaving with our tourist. We need the tourist to have a good experience and encourage their family and friends to also visit us, something that is not easy to do, given the road conditions.

Thank you for your time.

Best regards
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 12:22 AM  
To: Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; Buckle, Joy; Miles, Peter  
Subject: FYI route 510

Just a heads up road blocks are being planned in Lab Straits to stop the 20 tour buses booked for Red Bay due to extreme toad conditions. Very sad I know but I can’t disagree with the residents that we have reached a crisis point where we're pretty much in a state of emergency.
I will post my efforts to date in social media tomorrow and maybe do an open line call.

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Good day Margo,

I would like to request we get a date in the calendar to meet over next week or so. Pretty soon mha's will all be gone our separate ways for the summer and I have lots of concerns and questions. It's imperative that we are all well informed before we head to our districts from a communication standpoint.

I'd like a briefing on where we are with Labrador Marine strategy- have any progress been made. Where things are with fixed link- what I have 'heard' from sources outside gov is quite different than what I understood was the initial plan.

I'd also like an opportunity to bring forth concerns I have on how road work in Labrador is unfolding.

Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Good Morning Ms. Dempster,

The Town of Forteau is hosting a forum on the current state of our local roads, and would like to invite you to attend. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Heather Jordan

Sent from Outlook

Heather Jordan  
Town Manager  

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May 4, 2017

Dear Ms. Dempster:

The town of Forteau is considering the week of May 15th to 19th, 2017 to spearhead a forum to address an ongoing issue within our area.

From our council meeting held on Tuesday May 2, 2017 it was decided to hold a forum to address the issues of the current road condition from L’Anse au Clair to Red Bay.

We are inviting the appropriate government personnel; Minister Department of Municipal Affairs Eddie Joyce, Minister of Transportation & works Al Hawkins, the four Labrador MHA’s Lisa Dempster, Randy Edmonds, Graham Letto, Perry Trimper, and finally our MP for Labrador, Yvonne Jones. We are requesting the presence of two representatives from each community from L’Anse au Clair to Red Bay. The president of Combined Council of Labrador, Trent O’Brien will also be invited to attend.

The week of May 15th to 19th is being considered with preference given to Wednesday May 17th through to Friday May 19th. Please indicate which date would be the best to ensure your attendance. We will select the most favorable date from the responses. The meeting will be held at the Forteau Town Center.

Please respond by May 11, 2017, either by email at towofforteau@hotmail.com or by telephone at 709-931-2241.

Thanking you in advance for your anticipated participation in this forum.
Sincerely

Heather Jordan
Town Manager

c.c. Eddie Joyce, Minister, Department of Municipal Affairs
c.c. Al Hawkins, Minister, Transportation & Works
c.c. Randy Edmonds, MHA, Torngat Mountains
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c.c. Yvonne Jones, MP, Labrador,
c.c. Town of L'Anse au Clair
c.c. Town of L'Anse au Loup
c.c. Town of West St. Modeste
c.c. Town of Pinware
c.c. Town of Red Bay
c.c. Trent O'Brien, President, Combined council of Labrador
Hi Joe;
I sent you a note yesterday looking to connect. Not sure if you received it. I need a conversation around the contractor in my region doing road work, gov’s ability or inability to expedite etc. I have a lot of timely questions. Can we chat tomorrow?

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Hi Joe we need to chat. It's my understanding that we were going to tender mid March on the additional 1 million you and Lori Ann found in Jan and then I wanted to know what was listed for Straits for 2018.

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From: Dunford, Joe  
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 11:22 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: RE: Refresh my memory

Lisa,

The road work in Labrador is as follows...

- Route 510 (Straits) – Levelling R510 in areas at Forteau & West St. Carry over project from 2016 construction season worth about $600,000 remaining to do.
- Route 510 – this is the beginning of the multi-year rehabilitation project.
- Trans-Labrador Highway – paving will continue this season.

All for now.

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Assistant Deputy Minister – Transportation  
Department of Transportation and Works  
Government of Newfoundland and Labrador  
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Snow Means Slow
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 12:28 PM  
To: Dunford, Joe  
Subject: Refresh my memory

In the 5 year plan Minister shared with us a few weeks back I'm trying to recall what was listed for route 510 in Labrador straits starting 2018...can you flip me that Tks.

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Ok how about this Joe....can you please provide feedback to me on what is listed in bold....the suggested wording you sent prior for the resurfacing of 44kms of route 510 could be problematic. I’m looking for clarity as I’m still not clear from TW on whether this is a priority? I’m also wondering the timeframe for this work to be done?

As you may know there is a huge expectation that this work be done in 2016/17. Aside from the newsletter I’m certainly hoping that this is being compiled somewhere in a business case, along with the widening /upgrade tender for TLH Charlottetown branch north to cartwright.

Getting ready to head into HOA.. but if I can get something back before end of the day I’ll stay tonight and finalize....thanks so much.

In June 160 klms of paving was announced for Red bay to Charlottetown branch. Two 80 K tenders were awarded and the bulk of this work is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2017.

$750.00 was allocated to carry out a full feasibility study on a fixed link for Strait of Belle Island. Terms of references are currently being drafted. This is a strong indication to the people of Labrador that in spite of difficult economic times, improving the accessibility and mobility for residents is a huge priority.

A million dollars was allocated for rehabilitation to route 510 from Forteau to West St. Modeste. This work was scheduled to be done in 2016, and we anticipate it being completed early in 2017.

Government is also in the process of submitting a business case for resurfacing 44km of Route 510 from the Quebec border north. TW is fully aware of the safety issues associated with the travelling public driving this 35 plus year old pavement. Getting it repaved is a priority.

$253.81 was spent in this budget on work carried over from last year but not completed. This included;

Clearing right of ways at route 514 (Charlottetown access road)
Clearing right of ways at route 516 (access road between Cartwright and Paradise River

I was also very pleased to see budget ’16 allocate funding again for dust control on Provincially owned gravel roads. This is a huge benefit for communities in my district. First tender for brush cutting in 2016 in the Province was awarded to my district. Pinsent’s Arm branch road received $174,000.00. This will largely enhance the safety of the residents travelling that road, especially the children who commute for school.
From: Dempster, Lisa
To: Dunford, Joe
Subject: Re: Pinsent’s arm brush cutting
Date: Thursday, November 17, 2016 8:44:33 PM

I’ll call you in am..neve got a second today tks

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From: Dunford, Joe
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2016 1:14PM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: RE: Pinsent’s arm brush cutting

Lisa,

I’m free for a chat anytime.

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From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 6:32 PM
To: Dunford, Joe
Subject: RE: Pinsent’s arm brush cutting

I’ll call you tomorrow with concerns I have about this. Tks

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From: Dunford, Joe  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 5:24 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa; Hawkins, Allan; Tee, Dion; Fancey, Jody  
Subject: RE: Pinsent's arm brush cutting

MHA Dempster,

We had hoped the contractor would start on November 9th however in order for the contractor to begin work he needs to have certain documentation in place. We have been requesting this information but have been unable to get the necessary safety documentation (safety plan, etc.) in full to date. We will continue to pursue this as we know this is an important project and wish to get it completed. My understanding is that he has recently engaged a safety consultant to put this together for him.

If you have any questions please give me a ring. All for now.

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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 4:55 PM  
To: Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; Tee, Dion; Fancey, Jody  
Subject: Pinsent's arm brush cutting

Three weeks ago a mulcher was dropped off on Pinsent's arm road and to date 'nothing' have been done.

The contract was awarded October 8th. This is highly unacceptable....i really hope gov can get a better grip on the actions (or in actions) of the companies we are paying to do this work. They need to be held to a higher level of accountability.

I sent an email to ADM and Director inquiring about this a week or so ago but have not received a response. Look forward to getting an update. Children are driving this route twice a day now in the dark with the short days and it is literally like driving through a tunnel.

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From: Hoffman, Mark
To: Dunford, Joe
Subject: Re: Brush cutting
Date: Tuesday, September 20, 2016 7:36:34 AM

I'm not sure what you mean :) 

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From: Dunford, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2016 7:23 AM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: Re: Brush cutting

Most likely yes unless we get questions and then we will extend for another week.

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From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2016 7:06 AM
To: Dunford, Joe
Subject: Re: Brush cutting

OK tks Joe..I'm guessing tenders will be for a week?
I'll watch for it...

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From: Dunford, Joe
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2016 7:05 AM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: Re: Brush cutting

Lisa,

The brush cutting program was finalized yesterday evening. We will begin tendering the various Works right away and intend to get your area out this week.

All for now.
Hi Joe,

I'm just wondering where things are with the brush cutting file? We're just weeks away from snow in Labrador and I have a school bus from Pinsents Arm driving through some pretty treacherous road nearly grown over.

Lisa Dempster, MHA
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I'd like to draw your attention to a fb group that started yesterday and is already a 1000 members strong only in the first day. Expect this to grow into thousands in a few days and growing as route 510 in the Labrador Straits is a provincial main trunk...a link between the Island and all the rest of Labrador.

I spent two days in the region last week driving 20 K p/hr. I was physically sick...vehicles off the road, all the garages are filled with damaged vehicles. Etc Emails are coming in from all over the Island and beyond and yesterday two individuals from corner Brook showed up at my house after driving it. Pretty angry I might add.

A local business person proposed what I feel the best solution to date. The 3 K of paving being done is totally insignificant in comparison with the 44 K that is now a complete state of emergency. 10 tractor trailer loads of cold patch since May? Can that be true? And if it is what a waste...its put in one day and comes out the next. Yesterday TW went to 'one' area with 15 pallets and it was not enough to complete that one section.

Another million in leveling is needed to address 3 - 4 more extreme sections. If the business case that's in Ottawa were approved today we would be months away from seeing pavement start and we simply cannot survive with the road the way it is until then.

So... can the tender that went out for 1.2 million be switched from paving to levelling or can we find another million to maybe do an additional ten K of levelling? This is a desperate situation the is calling for a desperate immediate action. This is not a bad road like other parts of the province. This is a death trap. 200 plus tour buses are scheduled over this road this summer. How they will drive it I have no idea. I'm looking for help to see what can be done right now whole we work on the longer term plan.

Lastly, Joe/Tracy- Do you have a date yet when you will be in. I did learn this am that there was an emergency meeting held in the Straits last night. I encourage you to have a quick look at the group as it will give a small snap shot of what we're driving on.

Lisa Dempster

Life is only about 10% what happens to us, and 90% how we respond.

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We have more than 1000 people who believe our road is dangerous and that we are deserving of a much better road and much better representation. Anything less than a commitment to repave from L'anse au Clair to Pinware this year and from Pinware to Pinware River and County Cat to Red Bay next year is an insult to our intelligence. And by commitment we expect the tender to be out with a requirement for paving this year. The six Kms promised for this year just don't cut it!
We don't want a Five year commitment, we need a One year commitment with the leg from L'anse au Clair to Pinware completed this year. Anything less is inhumane!
Based on the tremendous outcry in the past week that continues to escalate it seems to me we need more resources on the ground carrying out the maintenance piece. Is it that we need more crew or us it the type of product that are using?

Lisa Dempster

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Facebook commented on your post.

You are so right one can only do so much. But there is the section of road that hasn't had not one pothole fell up for 27 days, Were is the cold patch. Not good enough.
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, June 05, 2017 3:30 PM  
To: Dunford, Joe  
Cc: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Straits highway

Can you let me know when this is fine. Tks

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Original Message
From: Yvonne.Jones.P9@parl.gc.ca  
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 3:58 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Re: Straits highway

Yes ask them to send to me. The Ministers office told me today it's not there

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Original Message
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 2:03 PM  
To: Jones, Yvonne - Personal  
Subject: Re: Straits highway

I have written confirmation from TW it's submitted last week.
I'll go back to them with this email from you..

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Original Message
From: Yvonne.Jones.P9@parl.gc.ca  
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 3:15 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: Straits highway

Just to let you know still no proposal

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Can you call me 729 6930

Hi Lisa,

You may receive some queries regarding some of the other work included in the above referenced tender. We have in the past received some queries on how we include the work of others (municipalities, depts...) in our tenders.

If you wish to have a quick chat I'm available at your convenience.

Take care
Dian

Definitely..ill call you this am

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.
From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 9:07 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Good morning Lisa,

Just wondering if you are available to connect sometime today?

Thanks
Dion

From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 4:27 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: RE: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Just getting ready to leave office.

You can call now if you wish or in the morning.

Whichever is most convenient.

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 4:25 PM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Just getting out of HOA with time change guess I’ve missed you again

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 1:47 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: RE: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Hi Lisa,

I’m in the office today if you are available to connect.

(709) 896-7842

Thanks
From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 2:23 PM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

OK great I'll call in am.

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 1:22 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

If you rather connect tomorrow sometime that is good. I'm in the office most of the day.

My cell is ..

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 11:47 AM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

I'm in ottawa in mtgs will try and step out later and call. What's best #

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Tuesday, March 7, 2017 10:46 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: RE: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Hi Lisa,
I have been asked to follow up with you regarding the $1.2M allocated this year for pulverizing and paving in your district. If you have a few minutes sometime maybe we can discuss so we can proceed with this tender.

The jpg files may assist in our discussion.

Thanks
Dian

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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 10:45 AM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Hi Dion
Tied up for the day but it was my understanding from TW that it was starting at LAC border and while a million was found in prov maintenance to start ut was the intent that more would be leveraged federally to see more done this year..at 6 k the 44 to Pinware will definitely not get done in 2, 3 or 4 years..
Maybe we can chat in am

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 10:56 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Pulverize and Pave Sections Route 510

Good Day Lisa,

Please see our recommendation below for $1.2M in available funding for pulverizing and paving on Route 510. It is estimated this will complete approximately 3kms.  

I have attached three image files to help illustrate our recommendation. One indicates the overall carry over project and the new proposed section. The other two files indicate the same, however, it is shown in greater detail.

I’m available at your convenience to discuss you have any questions.

Regards,
Dion
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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 7:25 AM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Route 510 and Access Roads

Tks

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 5:45 AM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Route 510 and Access Roads

The St. Lewis & Pinsent's Arm Access Roads have reopened.
Tks for reply. I spoke briefly with Minister lunch time... he clarified some things. I'm hearing from Joe in am. If I need anything I'll drop you a note. Drive safe.

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Hi Lisa,

I'm traveling tomorrow on TLH to Lab West.

We could connect Monday if your available?

Dion

Hi Dion
Tied up for the day but it was my understanding from TW that it was starting at LAC border and while a million was found in prov maintenance to start ut was the intent that more would be leveraged federally to see more done this year..at 6 k the 44 to Pinware will definitely not get done in 2, 3 or 4 years.
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Regards,
Dion
Tee, Dion

More info for your inquiry tks

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Subject: New message from [redacted]

8:54am Jan 3

Was wondering if there's anyway you can pull a few strings for [redacted]. She had reservations for the 8am ferry but seeing we were stuck in a snow bank since 5am we didn't make the ferry. The road was open and it took from 5am to 6:45 for the plow to travel 30kms from the depo. They wasn't left the depo at approximately 6am when when [redacted] or someone called them. She is trying to make it back for school. It's very scary being stuck for almost 2 hours in drifting snow with [redacted] in your car it was nuts.

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Hi Dion;
I started getting voice mails at 7:30 this am. Ppl missed ferry b/c stuck in snow on road outside Red Bay. Can you get me an update...I will call you later in the am
Lisa

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

Lisa Powell-Dempster why is this happening, roads are open and not cleared? I have that snowbank!
Tee, Dion

From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2016 6:13 PM
To: Tee, Dion
Subject: Re: Pinsent's Arm

Oh boy...3 more weeks and we're into dark November. Tks for reply. I'll certainly do milk part to see if this can be improved upon going forward.

Have a good w/e

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From: Tee, Dion
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2016 3:35PM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: RE: Pinsent's Arm

Preconstruction meeting is scheduled for next week. Will know more after meeting regarding work schedule.

It is typically around 4 weeks for mobilization to occur on a construction project, during which the preconstruction meeting, safety documentation submission and reviews, etc. are completed prior to contract start-up.

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From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2016 9:23AM
To: Tee, Dion
Subject: Pinsent's Arm

Good morning Dion
I know tender was awarded 8 days ago. Can you provide me with an update on when JJ's expects to start???

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.
Tee, Dion

From: Lisa Dempster <lisavdempster@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2016 11:55 AM
To: Tee, Dion
Subject: Fw: commented on a post that you’re tagged in.

FYI

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Facebook

commented on a post that you're tagged in.

There's about 6 km being done now as we speak from left over funds from the Charlottetown access road I do believe but it is at the beginning of the branch where the brush is not a major problem and moose are hardly ever seen. It is further out on our road where it is definitely needed. I don't ever remember brush cutting being done on our road since it was completed and since it's a school bus route I would think it would play a huge priority in the area...Lisa is aware of our problem.

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Tee, Dion

From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 3:28 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: RE: Levelling Route 510 - Forteau to West St. Modeste

896-7842 office

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 3:24 PM  
To: Tee, Dion  
Subject: Re: Levelling Route 510 - Forteau to West St. Modeste

What's your #?

Lisa Dempster, MHA  
Cartwright L'Anse au Clair  
1 800 286 9118

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From: Tee, Dion  
Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 1:49 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Subject: Levelling Route 510 - Forteau to West St. Modeste

Lisa,

My staff visited the straits area last week and noted the following areas where leveling is required.

It would be great if you could give me a call today since we are trying to finalize work locations and issue a tender this week.

Thanks  
Dion
I agree - the sooner the better.

That said with the poor weather so far this year a later application may result in better results for users over the summer.
I understand the application of calcium is scheduled to proceed in the Labrador Region in a couple of weeks. This of course is subject to the weather.

This year, as a cost saving measure, TW equipment (tanker trucks) in the Western Region will be used to apply product in the Labrador Region. Historically, the application has been completed by the private sector. The Labrador Region does not have tanker trucks since it does not use brine for winter maintenance.

I'll update further when we get closer to beginning application in Labrador.

Dion

From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:58 AM
To: Tee, Dion
Subject: Calcium

Good morning Dion;
DM tells me calcium process is started..can you tell me when they will be in my district? Tks

Lisa Dempster, MHA
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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.
Contractors supervisor is travelling route today with signs to install as appropriate.

From: Lisa Dempster [mailto:lisaVDempster@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, May 21, 2016 1:05 PM
To: Tee, Dion
Subject: Fw: New message from

Just making you aware of this. Any movement on this to erect signs?

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Facebook <notification+oi1liiq1@facebookmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 21, 2016 1:28 PM
To: Lisa Powell-Dempster
Reply To: noreply
Subject: New message from

Hi Lisa,

I'm not one to rant on Facebook, but I wanted to share a concern. I traveled to Cartwright from Goose Bay last night. The road was ok. Rough in spots as it would be at this time of the year. I am concerned at the lack of signage. There are a couple of really soft spots that are very dangerous. Luckily, I'm a defensive driver. I think highways need to be more assertive with the warning signs. I saw one sign off in the brush. If you have a name and contact at works services I would express my concerns with them.

Thanks for listening.

Enjoy your weekend.

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Tee, Dion

From: Lisa Dempster <lisavdempster@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 14, 2016 5:10 AM
To: Tee, Dion
Cc: Harvey, Max; Companion, Lori Anne; Fancey, Jody; Hawkins, Allan
Subject: Re: New message from

Tks Dion. Appreciate the response.
Lisa

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Tee, Dion
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2016 11:35 PM
To: 'Lisa Dempster'
Cc: Harvey, Max; Companion, Lori Anne; Fancey, Jody; Hawkins, Allan
Subject: Re: New message from

Good evening Lisa,

TW will begin snow clearing the main road in Black Tickle on Monday and reassess the side roads again late next week given the volume of snow still present on these.

Mr. Joe Keefe, LSD representative for Black Tickle, and have been informed of our plans.

Regards,
Dion

From: Tee, Dion
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 4:26 PM
To: 'Lisa Dempster'; Hawkins, Allan
Cc: Harvey, Max
Subject: RE: New message from

Good day Lisa,

We will be completing an assessment over the next day or two to help determine when we recommend reopening the roads in Black Tickle.

As you are aware, TW has the only piece of heavy equipment (1 loader & 1 snow blower) in this community. Its purpose is to support TW’s airport operations. Historically, TW has assisted in reopening roads after the winter season has ended and travel by snow mobile is not possible in the community. This work usually involves clearing some snow drift banks to permit travel by vehicle. TW recognizes the importance of road access within the community but is careful not to expose equipment to significant risk operating off the airport.
Fyi, we received the first request from Black Tickle two weeks ago and determine at that time that there was significant snow on the ground and travel by snowmobile was still ongoing. TW's response at that time was to reassess in a couple of weeks. See attached pictures from two weeks ago.

Regards,
Dion

From: Lisa Dempster [mailto:lisavdempster@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 9:29 PM
To: Tee, Dion; Hawkins, Allan
Subject: Fw: New message

Hi Dion

With the long days were sitting in HOA I can't get a moment to call you.

In past years at this time of year and under the direction of TW the road would get plowed in BT. Can we get the road plowed again now it's that time again. I was there Saturday. It's impossible now to get around and it's my understanding TW has the only piece of equipment in the community. Very imp for trying to get ppl to the airport etc

Thanks so much.
Lisa

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From: Facebook <notification+o1lilg1@facebookmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 9:52 PM
To: Lisa Powell-Dempster
Reply To: noreply
Subject: New message from 9:22pm May 10

Any news on the road? The people in the tickle can't get up to get water, both drinking and general use. Bringing kids to school is impossible and most everyone is getting around on belly catties (sp) so lets hope they dont give away and out in the ocean they go.

came home today and he said he is willing to stay here for the long haul and I said to him that just because he doesn't have a contract signed doesn't mean he isn't our _and he agreed. Pretty certain he is not happy with the treatment he gets from LGH. He found out about the being pulled on Facebook...not good. Anyway, call me tomorrow if you can. And let me know about the road situation,
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As requested.

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:44 PM  
To: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Subject: Re: For VOCM  

Smart move Tks

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From: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:22 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa  
Cc: Pitcher, Margot  
Subject: Re: For VOCM  

I went ahead and sent it earlier Lisa - worried about it sitting there too long uncorrected.

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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:14 PM  
To: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Cc: Pitcher, Margot  
Subject: Re: For VOCM  

That's excellent jacqy

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From: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 2:33 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa
Hi Lisa, Here is the clarification I will send to VOCM. Sorry for delay. We did a double check...Thanks, Jacq.

There may have been some confusion in the interview and the last sentence as presented in the story is not quite accurate - Dempster says the 11 km was supposed to be repaired by the end of September, but the contractor has been having problems with the asphalt plant -

The 11 kms was part of work that was supposed to be completed by September 2016. Can you add 2016 to that reference please?

Also, in response to the request from community leaders, the department has a plan to do leveling on the 11 kms. It was expected this work would be started now, but the contractor is having problems with the asphalt plant.
As requested.

-----Original Message-----
From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 10:28 AM
To: King, Tracy; Howard, Jacquelyn; Buckle, Joy
Subject: Fw: 138 and Labrador trough

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Original Message
From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 10:11 AM
To: Dempster, Lisa
Subject: Re: 138 and Labrador trough

Thanks for the update. I wonder do they understand that a pothole on route 510, is not the same as a pothole anywhere else in the province. There is no second layer of pavement on route 510, like the rest of the province. When you hit a pothole on 510 there is not bottom until you hit China, but on the island you only drop 2 inches. You know as well as I that no paving will happen in the straits next year unless a contract is awarded immediately. By the time they come in a get set up, like what is happening now, work that was supposed to have been completed last summer is not started yet, one year later.

Keep me posted. I am here in St. John's for [Redacted].

Ask the minister and the premier to visit the are immediately to see the situation first hand and talk to the residents.

Later

Sent from my iPad

> On Jul 24, 2017, at 9:49 AM, Dempster, Lisa <LisaDempster@gov.nl.ca> wrote:
> No. I've tried my absolute best.. they feel more levelling with paving starting at border next year is short changing the residents....
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> Original Message
> From:      
> Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 9:27 AM
> To: Dempster, Lisa
> Subject: Re: 138 and Labrador trough
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> Is there any movement on the request for the extra 1 million for straits?
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> Sent from my iPad
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> >> On Jul 21, 2017, at 11:23 PM, Dempster, Lisa <LisaDempster@gov.nl.ca> wrote:
> >>
> >> This is a huge part of it Nath. See are moving forward to determine if this is feasible and if it is this will be a
game changer.
> >>
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> >> Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.
> >> Original Message
> >> From:      
> >> Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 10:11 PM
> >> To: Ball, Dwight; Dempster, Lisa; yvonne.jones.a1@parl.gc.ca; yvonne.jones@parl.gc.ca
> >> Subject: 138 and Labrador trough
> >>
> >> Nice to see the two provinces working together, however with the federal minister requesting proposal to create
economic development and jobs, it would be an opportune time to move the fixed link ahead. I did not see any
mention of this, a project that was supposed to have an updated feasibility study completed last November. Where
does this vital piece of infrastructure fit in this cooperative announcement.

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From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 2:14 PM  
To: Hawkins, Allan; King, Tracy; Howard, Jacquelyn; Ball, Dwight; Cannizzaro, Michelle; Buckle, Joy  
Subject: Response needed

Just had a call from demonstrations in Lab Straits. Another public meeting being held tonight. They are looking for ONE of TWO things. Either a commitment to 9 k of levelling for now for emergency measures OR One or both Minister of TW and/or Minister for Labrador to come into region and explain why no additional levelling. Basically, they want the commitment from a Minister that the work will be started at the border in next tender etc and that is why no levelling now. If it came directly from a person in authority they told me today they would hang up their signs and go home.

I would like a response as to whether or not this can happen before the public meeting tonight at 7 in LAL. Thank you.

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As requested.

From: Dempster, Lisa  
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 10:36 PM  
To: Howard, Jacquelyn; King, Tracy; Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; Buckle, Joy  
Subject: Re: Impt matter

Thanks Jackie.. I will take some points and customize this for SM post. Just as an FYI - meeting was Monday the 10th not Sunday the 9th  
Have a good w/e

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From: Howard, Jacquelyn  
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 4:05 PM  
To: Dempster, Lisa; King, Tracy; Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; Buckle, Joy  
Subject: RE: Impt matter

Hello Lisa,

As requested, here’s information/ message you may wish to use for social media.

If there’s anything else, just let us know.

Thank you, Jacquelyn

Straits Road Work  
Social Media Response  
July 14, 2017

On Sunday, July 9 staff from the Department of Transportation and Works visited the area and joined me for a meeting with the mayors of our towns in the Straits area. The local leadership, in consultation with TW and myself, as your MHA, identified additional areas not currently addressed in this years planned road work.

Together the group agreed to use the existing contracts to address those areas. At the request of those at the meeting, the project for Forteau will be a levelling project this year, rather than being paved.

Following the meeting, there is a plan to address needed work in both the short and long-term. TW has deployed additional resources for pothole patching. As of this past Thursday, July 13,
hot asphalt is being used with a hot asphalt recycler. Safety is of primary importance and is a key criteria used to rank and determine projects in the Five Year Provincial Roads Plan. The department advises that the deterioration of the road is primarily the result of age. These projects were prioritized in the Five-Year Provincial Roads Plan based on criteria such as safety, reliability and usage and this is why they were included in the first year of the plan.

There is a significant amount of road work planned for Labrador this year with five contracts in total:

- $750,000 leveling in West St. Modeste/Forteau area
- $936,000 for leveling work, Forteau and adjacent areas
- $63 million, announced last year, for paving 160 kilometres from Red Bay to Charlottetown Junction (given the size, this is split into two 80 KM contracts)
- $45.4 million announced in June by Premier Ball to widen and pave from Charlottetown Junction to Cartwright Junction.

In addition, as a result of the meeting earlier this week, additional funds are being considered to address immediate needs.

From: Dempster, Lisa
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Howard, Jacquelyn; King, Tracy; Hawkins, Allan; Dunford, Joe; Buckle, Joy
Subject: Impt matter

https://m.facebook.com/groups/165823113526368?view=permalink&id=1368354539939880

Hi Jacquelyn
Since the information in a press release issued by CCL Contains very incorrect information I would like to issue a correct one for SM posting.
Maybe we can provide a synopsis of the mtg, municipal input etc and the immediate action following the media and reiterate the commitment to paving..that is there and have been for some months and it is completely omitted from this PR by President Trent O'Brien

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