



Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage
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November 9, 2021

Amanda MacDougall
President, Board of Directors
Federation of Municipalities Nova Scotia
1809 Barrington Street
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Dear Amanda MacDougall:

As a key partner in tourism growth, I wanted to make you aware that the House of Assembly has passed legislation to repeal the Tourism Nova Scotia Act (2015) and transition Tourism Nova Scotia from a Crown corporation to a division of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage (CCTH). You can find the bill here:

<https://nslegislature.ca/legislative-business/bills-statutes/bills/assembly-64-session-1/bill-71>.

Tourism is very important to the provincial economy and to the lives of all Nova Scotians. COVID-19 has been hard on the industry, and we look forward to working with you to help our industry stand out and succeed. As a division of the broader Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage, Tourism Nova Scotia will be well positioned to develop and promote our unique attractions, cultural experiences, and vibrant communities, building on the assets currently within the division, including events, museums, sport and recreation, and our cultural offices.

I want to thank Tourism Nova Scotia's Board of Directors for their contribution and efforts in moving the industry forward over the past five years. Tourism Nova Scotia staff continue to be available to provide assistance and coaching to industry partners, and we look forward to building on the success of the organization's sector development and marketing programs. I am committed to the mandate set out for me by Premier Houston, which can be found here: https://novascotia.ca/exec_council/letters-2021/ministerial-mandate-letter-2021-CCTH-ANSA-OEA-VS.pdf. I have already heard from several organizations on key issues and opportunities, and I would encourage you to keep that dialogue open with the team at Tourism Nova Scotia.

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As Minister of CCTH, I am excited about the future of tourism in this province. Through a coordinated effort with industry stakeholders including your organization, we are committed to rebuilding tourism in the province for the benefit of all Nova Scotians.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pat Dunn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Pat" being more prominent than the last name "Dunn".

Pat Dunn
Minister of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage

cc: Justin Huston, Deputy Minister, Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage
Melissa MacKinnon, Associate Deputy Minister, Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage
Darlene MacDonald, A/Executive Director, Tourism Nova Scotia
Juanita Spencer, CEO, Federation of Municipalities Nova Scotia



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