

**CARTWRIGHT JUNCTION TO HAPPY VALLEY-GOOSE BAY
TRANS LABRADOR HIGHWAY
TOURISM AND RECREATION COMPONENT STUDY ADDENDUM
SUPPLEMENTARY DEFICIENCY STATEMENT
Issued February 2004**

The Component Study continues to require a characterization of the existing tourism and recreation industry as follows:

- ! The Deficiency Statement requested the proponent to provide information on the kinds of facilities that have received the major share of private sector investment and the Deficiency Statement provided two potential sources of information. The response provided does not indicate the kinds of facilities that have been initiated by the private sector. Whether the private sector has received provincial or federal government funding for those facilities is not what was expected as a response. Information on the investment in facilities will assist the proponent in addressing the following information requirements.
- ! The Addendum has not acknowledged hunting and fishing lodges as a high value tourism asset. Given the content of the Addendum indicating Labrador lodges as a destination for Canadian and international visitors, this sector must be recognized as a high value tourism asset that relies on a species or setting that is at least distinctive, if not unique. Trophy brook trout may not be a biological or ecological description of fish populations but is commonly used in angling circles. The proponent must consult with Labrador outfitters to develop a qualitative description for trophy brook trout in the context of the watersheds traversed by each alternative route. The proponent must identify the locations of existing outfitting lodges in relation to each alternative route required to be considered. The proponent must identify any potential locations of future outfitting lodges in relation to each alternative route required to be considered.
- ! The Addendum has not provided information on the contribution of the outfitting sector to the local economy, in terms of employment, expenditure and revenue capacity. The Deficiency Statement advised that the objective of providing this information is to identify the relative importance of the outfitting sector to the local, regional and Labrador economy. The proponent must consult with outfitters to develop an economic description of the outfitting sector. That description must be used describe the relative importance of the outfitting sector.