

2020
Jurisdictional Scan: Covid Impact on Major Attractions

Is your jurisdiction doing anything to protect its major attractions in light of the pandemic? If yes, what?

JURISDICTION	REPLIED	YES/NO	CONTACT NAME
B.C PARKS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES	Sydney Martin

COMMENTS:

We are also seeking (and have received) some Capital Investment funding to assist with economic recovery in the Province. Justin Sabourin is our Director of Capital Investment and can share figures with you if you want to know more. In terms of operational budget support, we are going year by year. We are also in the middle of an election at the moment, so it's anyone's guess what our budget (ops and/or Capital) will be next year.

ALBERTA PARKS	X		
SASKATCHEWAN PARKS	X		
MANITOBA PARKS	X		
ONTARIO PARKS	X		
SEPAQ (QUEBEC)	X		
NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR PARKS	X		
NOVA SCOTIA PARKS	X		
PARKS NEW BRUNSWICK	Inquiring Jurisdiction		Josh Tompkins

Original Email:

Hi Dawn, we're preparing a MEC on the impact of Covid to our SOA account. While camping was great this year; our gov't operated major attractions were hit quite hard and as a result our SOA account has been decimated.

We're wondering what (or if) other jurisdictions are doing to protect their major attractions in light of the pandemic? I.e. are they requesting bridge funding, further depleting special accounts, temporarily closing etc.

Would you mind passing the ques/on along to the board for their comments?

P.E.I PARKS	X		
GOVERNMENT OF	X		

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES PARKS			
NUNAVUT PARKS	X		
YUKON PARKS	X		
PARKS CANADA	✓	YES	Michael Nadler
<p>COMMENTS: Hi Josh: In March, Parks Canada anticipated a significant impact on revenues, so we ran some forecast scenarios and made a proposal in early May for compensation up to a predetermined ceiling to our Department of Finance. The proposal was approved. To access the resources, we must demonstrate our losses. There is no guarantee that we will be covered for all revenue impacts, but we are confident that some of our losses of the fiscal year will be covered. We have made our first request and may make a second before the end of the fiscal year given that we operate a number of places in winter and they too will be impacted.</p>			

Response Rate: 2/13 for **15%**

Key Findings:

- Too few responses to provide general insights
- B.C has turned to Capital Investment funding to help with economic recovery.
- Parks Canada forecasted scenarios and made a proposal in early may to their Department of Finance for compensation, which was approved.

Future Questions to Ask:

- Revisit the question of major attraction sustainability during crises as soon as possible to see how the situation has progressed and what challenges and solutions have arisen.

Links to Resources:

- None