

## The National Battlefields Commission

### Report on Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences

As required by the Treasury Board *Directive on Travel, Hospitality, Conferences and Event Expenditures*, this report provides information on the annual expenditures for each of travel, hospitality and conference fees for The National Battlefields Commission for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016. It also provides the variance explanations from the previous fiscal year in each of these areas.

This information is updated annually and does not contain information withheld under the *Access to Information Act* or the *Privacy Act*.

Expenditures on travel, hospitality and conference fees incurred by federal departments and agencies are related to activities that support a departmental or agency mandate and the government's priorities.

In particular, for The National Battlefields Commission, you can find the mandate and the description of the program activities in the Commission's *Departmental Performance Report* at: <http://www.ccbn-nbc.gc.ca/en/about-us/reports-and-policies/>.

#### Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences of The National Battlefields Commission

(in thousands of dollars)

Expenditure Category	Expenditures for the Year Ending March 31, 2016 (\$000)	Expenditures for the Previous Year Ending March 31, 2015 (\$000)	Change (\$000)
Travel: Public Servants	16 \$	17 \$	-1 \$
Travel: Non-Public Servants	2 \$	2 \$	0 \$
<b>Total Travel</b>	<b>18 \$</b>	<b>19 \$</b>	<b>-1 \$</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>6 \$</b>	<b>4 \$</b>	<b>2 \$</b>
<b>Conference Fees</b>	<b>5 \$</b>	<b>7 \$</b>	<b>-2 \$</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>29 \$</b>	<b>30 \$</b>	<b>-1 \$</b>

#### Significant Variances Compared With the Previous Fiscal Year

The National Battlefields Commission had an overall decrease in expenditures of 3% compared to the previous year.

## Travel

**Public servants:** Compared with fiscal year 2014-15, travel expenditures by public servants decreased mainly due to:

- A decrease in travel expenses for the promotion of activities and services offered by The National Battlefields Commission particularly the participation of the Development and Marketing Officer at the annual conference of *the Voice of Student & Youth Travel* in the Toronto region in 2014-15.

**Non-public servants:** Compared with fiscal year 2014-15, travel expenditures by non-public servants remained constant.

## Hospitality

Compared with fiscal year 2014-15, hospitality expenditures increased mainly due to:

- Launch of the new exhibition *Battles: 1759-1760* at the Plains of Abraham Museum;
- Hospitality needs to support the activities related to the core mandate.

## Conference fees

Compared with fiscal year 2014-15, conference fees expenditures decreased mainly due to:

- In 2014-15, participation in the *AATF – American Association of Teachers of French* conference in the Saguenay area;
- In 2015-16, cancellation of the *AQEFLS – L'association québécoise des enseignants de français langue seconde* convention.