

NO PROFITING OFF OUR FAMILIES' SAFETY!

A Safe, Twinned and Public Highway for Pictou-Antigonish



Less twinned highway, less safe highway for more money.
That's highway robbery!

For more information, updates and to send a message to the Premier and your MLA, visit our website: www.safehighwaysNS.ca

The government wants to hand over the OWNERSHIP and OPERATION of our stretch of the Northeastern corridor of Hwy 104 to a private for-profit corporation.

- We are paying 67% more for 38 kms of private highway than it would cost to build it publicly. A publicly built highway would get us all the way to the Town of Monastery for the same price. That's another 20 kms!
- We don't know how soon after a snowfall the roads have to be cleared, because the contract has not been made public.
- Our hands will be tied for **30 years** to one private snow removal contractor leaving us with no ability to hold them to account.
- Future governments will be stuck with this bad deal!

highway robbery noun

Definition of highway robbery

- 1: **robbery** committed on or near a public highway usually against travelers.
- 2: excessive profit or advantage derived from a business transaction.

STAND UP FOR PICTOU AND ANTIGONISH COUNTIES!

We deserve the safest possible public highway like all other highways across Nova Scotia.



Name: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email Address (optional): _____

The Nova Scotia Highway Workers' Union will keep you informed about this campaign. Also, we will protect your personal information. See CUPE's Privacy Policy at cupe.ca/privacy-policy.

Pictou-Antigonish residents have worked hard to get the government to build a safe twinned Hwy 104 between Sutherland's River and Antigonish.

But our government is planning to SELL OFF our safety to the lowest bidder.

Other provinces' experience with private snow clearance:

- Private corporations are more interested in making a profit than clearing snow quickly and safely.
- Private highway winter clearance has been found to take twice as long as winter clearance by public workers.
- Contractors cut corners on salt and de-icing materials making roads icier and more dangerous.
- Private contractors routinely violate the terms of contracts, without consequences.
- The result will be that our stretch of the 104 will be icier and the drive time longer*.

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The only safe twinned highway is a publicly twinned highway.

* These facts are from the 2015 Ontario Auditor General Report on Winter Highway Maintenance

The government says that private highways are a proven success in NS... what they don't tell us is what a waste of money the Cobequid Pass turned out to be.

For the \$66 million brought to the table by private investors to build the Cobequid Pass, we paid tolls and spent \$266 million more than what a public highway would have cost Nova Scotians.

That's not a success story, that's highway robbery!

There is a way to build more kms of safe twinned highways: Build them as public highways.



JOIN US FOR A TOWN HALL

to discuss how the Northeastern Corridor can have a safer and longer twinned highway. Let's not pay more for less. **Your voice matters.**

ANTIGONISH

St. FX Keating Centre
1100 Convocation Blvd.

June 4, 2019
6:30pm-8:30pm

NEW GLASGOW

New Glasgow Square
155 Glasgow Street

June 5, 2019
6:30pm-8:30pm

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