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New Look for KEDC!

TAH DAH... The Kittiwake Economic Development Corporation has adopted a new look. The Corporation has adopted the provincial Newfoundland and Labrador Regional Economic Development Association's (NLREDA) logo, in an effort to unite under one common brand.

To date, 12 of the 19 regional economic boards in the province have adopted this new look. "It is a sign that boards are beginning to understand the value in common branding and

the associated benefits of common identification. Using the same graphic will enable business and community groups to identify work undertaken by the regional economic boards; the brand will help reduce disconnect between boards throughout the province" says Jill Bennett, Executive Director of KEDC.

KEDC is excited about this new look and is anxious to have all of its marketing material transitioned over in the very near future.

KEDC Helping Farmers Grow on Fogo Island and Change Islands

KEDC is working with a newly incorporated agricultural cooperative on Fogo Island and Change Islands.

The Fogo - Change Islands Agricultural Cooperative is a cooperative of 30 agricultural producers and retailers located on Fogo Island and Change Islands. Incorporated in November 2009, the current membership markets approximately 45,600 pounds worth of vegetables and produce annually. The Cooperative aims to supply the collective

communities of Fogo Island and Change Islands with high quality, fresh produce at competitive market prices.

KEDC has been working with the Department of Innovation, Trade, and Rural Development, and the Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Cooperatives to assist the cooperative with the start-up of operations in 2010.



KEDC Conducts Research in Waste Management

KEDC is conducting a survey to assess the volumes of seafood and animal by-product currently coming into the fish plants and farms in the region. This research will help assess viability and potential commercial opportunities for seafood offal for organic feed and / or fertilizer. KEDC will share this information with all stakeholders including municipalities, seafood processors, waste disposal organizations, farmers, government departments, and the private sector, in an effort to identify economic opportunities in Zone 14. The final report is posted on the KEDC website at www.kittiwake.nf.ca.

Under the new Central Newfoundland Waste Management Authority (CNWMA) System, seafood processors and farmers will be required to have the industrial waste picked up and transported to appropriate waste disposal sites. Dumping at sea of seafood offal and animal

by-product will still be permitted under this new system, however, dumping and burning of industrial plant waste will no longer be permitted.

This report focuses strictly on dealing with and identifying any potential commercial and / or private opportunities for waste disposal services. Work was done with seafood processors and farmers to determine seasonality of wastage, offal, by-products, as well as their prior knowledge to new regulations and cost for land based dumping. This information is compiled for partners and other interested parties in order to provide an accurate assessment of the volumes of seafood offal and animal by-products. If viable, these products may be used for developing organic fertilizer and feed.



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KEDC's Executive includes:

Pat Martin—Treasurer

Doug Churchill—President

Philip Patey—Vice President

Winston Jennings—Secretary

KEDC Elects New Executive at its 14th AGM

Kittiwake Economic Development Corporation recently held its 14th Annual General Meeting which took place on April 21st, 2010. Two new Executive Committee members were elected. Doug Churchill was re-elected as President, Philip Patey remains Vice-President. Two new Executive members include Pat Martin – Treasurer, and Winston Jennings – Secretary.

Guest speaker for the evening included Mr. Brian Delaney, General Manager of the Beaver Brook Antimony Mine Inc., located near

Glenwood. As well, greetings were extended on behalf of the provincial Department of Innovation, Trade and Rural Development, Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Service Canada, and Human Resources, Labour and Employment.

KEDC Guiding Cranberry Development

Interested in learning about a new and exciting industry?

The cranberry industry is new to the province but it's already proving to be a sparkling success. Thousands of kilograms of berries are being harvested every year, new farms are popping up and others are expanding all over the province.

The Kittiwake Economic Development Corporation wishes to support the development of cranberry farms in the region and supports the cranberry commercialization strategy developed by the provincial government. As part of this strategy, the Department of Natural Resources Cranberry Industry Development

Program is designed to offset the costs of developing the land. A subsidy of \$15,000.00 per acre is available.

A cranberry toolkit published by KEDC provides a step-by-step overview of the necessary steps for development; from site selection to funding and financing. KEDC staff are available to guide you through the process and answer questions. Check out the toolkit at www.kittiwake.nf.ca.

Call 1-877-256-2595 to see how KEDC can help you grow.



Sailing Right Along...!

The Kittiwake Economic Development Corporation has been working to support the newly formed Northeast Coast Marina Association. On April 27th, the Executive Director of KEDC and the directors of the Association met to discuss future direction and articles of incorporation. There were 10 members present; consisting of regional representatives from Botwood, Musgravetown, Twillingate, Lewisporte and Little Bay Islands, (regrets from New Wes Valley).

Jill Bennett will continue to work with the Chair, Jerry Dean, and Vice Chair, Perry Pond, as they develop a set of by-laws that best reflects the

Association's mandate. Once incorporated, the Association will be better positioned to; share knowledge and information with respect to marina development and the advancement of recreational boating, be a promotional tool that will help expedite the advancement of recreational boating within the region; and, be a unified voice for marinas in the Northeast region of the Province.

The next scheduled meeting will take place summer 2010, in Gander.

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