

FEDERATION of NORTHERN ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES
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TRANSPORTATION

Priorities identified by FONOM	Discussion highlights from break-out session
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop a strategy for transportation for Northern Ontario: involve all communities and industry partners, all inclusive-all parts; increase access for all communities-for rail, air, water and communication - Importance of ONR for Northern Ontario - Need for Northern Ontario Secretariat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need for an overall northern transportation strategy encompassing road, rail, air and marine. Look to Manitoba 2020 strategy. - Need to develop multi-modal hubs - Look at North-South transportation corridor as well as east – west - looking to global trade corridor needs e.g. James Bay port - Need for highway four-laning but also to consider return on investment and cost-benefits - Communities need affordable access - Enhanced investments in and role of ONR - make more strategic - A regionally driven secretariat - northern transportation authority - Need to respond to industry needs – fully engage them in development of strategy - Need for strong northern voice in shaping transportation policy and investments - Issues of highway cleanliness and amenities also raised.