

Hi Charlene,

1. The road to my house was taken care of. Thanks to all involved. I had 200m of road washed out in front of my house. The Igor flood was something else. The power of nature.

Read your Environment and Conservation Plan for 2008 to 2011. You have some great goals that I hope you will achieve. You stated that, 'as minister I am accountable for the preparation of this plan and for the specific goals and objectives contained herein'. You also stated in your vision, 'by March 31/2011 the Department of Environment and Conservation will have reduced the adverse impacts of human activities on the environment and improved the health of our ecosystems.' With that in mind Charlene if you have the power to bring forth legislation and bring about positive change lets do it. Don't issue anymore roads and cabin permits for the few wild places we have left. The long time safety of our wild places is what s important here. Heavy human traffic in our remote wildness areas and 21st century cabin garbage has a detrimental effect on our wildlife. I have seen it first hand myself. The capelin don't even role on the beaches of Western Bay anymore. People don't know when to stop their greedy way's. If there is no due diligence at the community level than government has got to step in, or places like Cliffty pond will look like the mini dump sites on the North Shore and other rural areas. Let s put legislation in place before March 31/2011 and have a long term plan to prevent this carnage from happening. The problem these day's is a lot of folks just don't give a damn. But someone has too. I have to say Charlene, it was a big mistake to have cabin's in Cliffty Pond, given the track record around here. Due diligence has got to come from the top before it is to late. It seems we have to give our Environmental Investigators the tool's they need. Looking forward to some meaningful change by March 31/2011. It has been a long time since our first meeting in St. John's.

Yours in Conservation Tony O'Leary

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