

MINISTRY OF NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT AND MINES

As the regional ministry for Northern Ontario and the ministry responsible for the provincial minerals sector, the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines strives to make Northern Ontario and the provincial minerals sector strong, healthy and prosperous.

The ministry leads and coordinates government programs aimed at growing the Northern Ontario economy, building strong northern communities and creating job opportunities in the North. Through a network of offices and strategic program and policy development, the ministry ensures northerners have access to government programs and services and a say in government decisions affecting the North.

As the sectoral ministry for the provincial minerals sector, the ministry supports a strong, sustainable mineral industry by promoting investment and exploration, by providing information to global clients on Ontario's wealth of mineral resources and through the fair, effective and efficient administration of Ontario's *Mining Act*.

MINISTRY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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VOTE PROGRAM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
OPERATING EXPENSE				
2201 Ministry Administration Program	10,312,100	10,391,300	(79,200)	9,754,761
2202 Northern Development Program	73,723,500	75,371,500	(1,648,000)	41,800,074
2203 Mines and Minerals Program	28,116,500	23,053,300	5,063,200	25,543,435
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	112,152,100	108,816,100	3,336,000	77,098,270
Statutory Appropriations	1,952,244	1,050,246	901,998	40,734
Ministry Total Operating Expense	114,104,344	109,866,346	4,237,998	77,139,004
Net Consolidation Adjustment - Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation	-	900,000	(900,000)	454,013
Consolidation and Other Adjustments	-	-	-	100,000
Total Including Consolidation & Other Adjustments	114,104,344	110,766,346	3,337,998	77,693,017
OPERATING ASSETS				
2202 Northern Development Program	1,000	1,000	-	-
2203 Mines and Minerals Program	1,000	1,000	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS TO BE VOTED	2,000	2,000	-	-
Ministry Total Operating Assets	2,000	2,000	-	-

MINISTRY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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VOTE PROGRAM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
CAPITAL EXPENSE				
2202 Northern Development Program	57,196,000	69,950,000	(12,754,000)	339,301,511
2203 Mines and Minerals Program	11,000,000	11,690,000	(690,000)	9,964,598
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSE TO BE VOTED	68,196,000	81,640,000	(13,444,000)	349,266,109
Statutory Appropriations	149,409,000	139,754,300	9,654,700	-
Ministry Total Capital Expense	217,605,000	221,394,300	(3,789,300)	349,266,109
Net Consolidation Adjustment - Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation	25,000,000	54,600,000	(29,600,000)	4,401,000
Net Consolidation Adjustment - Ontario Northland Transportation Commission	(9,322,000)	(12,123,000)	2,801,000	-
Consolidation and Other Adjustments	-	-	-	(111,606,593)
Total Including Consolidation & Other Adjustments	233,283,000	263,871,300	(30,588,300)	242,060,516
CAPITAL ASSETS				
2202 Northern Development Program	356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS TO BE VOTED	356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-
Ministry Total Capital Assets	356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-
Ministry Total Operating and Capital Including Consolidation and Other Adjustments (not including Assets)	347,387,344	374,637,646	(27,250,302)	319,753,533

MINISTRY ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM - VOTE 2201

This program provides executive direction and strategic business and resource planning services to ensure the efficient and effective delivery of ministry programs. Through sound management of ministry resources (people, money, information and information technology) and policy, financial and communications leadership, this program supports the achievement of ministry and government objectives.

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
OPERATING EXPENSE					
1	Ministry Administration	10,312,100	10,391,300	(79,200)	9,754,761
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		10,312,100	10,391,300	(79,200)	9,754,761
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>	1,000	1,000	-	-
S	Minister's Salary, the <i>Executive Council Act</i>	37,550	36,057	1,493	28,545
S	Parliamentary Assistant's Salary, the <i>Executive Council Act</i>	12,694	12,189	505	12,189
Total Statutory Appropriations		51,244	49,246	1,998	40,734
Total Operating Expense		10,363,344	10,440,546	(77,202)	9,795,495

MINISTRY ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM - VOTE 2201, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS		
	OPERATING EXPENSE		
2201-1	Ministry Administration		
	Salaries and wages		5,344,000
	Employee benefits		592,100
	Transportation and communication		562,300
	Services		10,120,300
	Supplies and equipment		223,900
	Subtotal		16,842,600
	Less: Recoveries		6,530,500
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted		10,312,100
	<i>Sub-Items:</i>		
	<i>Main Office</i>		
	Salaries and wages	1,292,800	
	Employee benefits	134,000	
	Transportation and communication	278,000	
	Services	95,700	
	Supplies and equipment	76,900	1,877,400
	<i>Financial and Administrative Services</i>		
	Salaries and wages	1,455,000	
	Employee benefits	139,100	
	Transportation and communication	136,700	
	Services	6,755,800	
	Supplies and equipment	64,000	
	Subtotal	8,550,600	
	Less: Recoveries from other activities	4,980,500	3,570,100
	<i>Human Resources</i>		
	Salaries and wages	775,500	
	Employee benefits	95,000	
	Transportation and communication	55,300	
	Services	53,500	
	Supplies and equipment	21,200	1,000,500

MINISTRY ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM - VOTE 2201, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION, cont'd

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS		
OPERATING EXPENSE			
	<i>Communications Services</i>		
	Salaries and wages	1,030,700	
	Employee benefits	147,300	
	Transportation and communication Services	40,600	
	Supplies and equipment	104,000	
		<u>35,800</u>	1,358,400
	<i>Analysis and Planning</i>		
	Salaries and wages	790,000	
	Employee benefits	76,700	
	Transportation and communication Services	33,300	
	Supplies and equipment	12,400	
		<u>13,000</u>	925,400
	<i>Legal Services</i>		
	Transportation and communication Services	18,400	
	Supplies and equipment	847,500	
		<u>13,000</u>	878,900
	<i>Audit Services</i>		
	Services	145,000	145,000
	<i>Information Systems</i>		
	Services	2,106,400	
	Less: Recoveries from other activities	1,550,000	556,400
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted		10,312,100
	Statutory Appropriations		
	Other transactions		
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>		1,000
	Statutory Appropriations		
S	Minister's Salary, the <i>Executive Council Act</i>		37,550
S	Parliamentary Assistant's Salary, the <i>Executive Council Act</i>		12,694
	Total Operating Expense for Ministry Administration Program		10,363,344

NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - VOTE 2202

This program helps build a more prosperous Northern Ontario and strong, vibrant northern communities. The ministry is leading the implementation of the government's Northern Prosperity Plan, a range of targeted initiatives aimed at stimulating growth, job creation and a better quality of life for Northern Ontario. These include programs of the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation, Northern Ontario Grow Bonds Pilot Program and the GO North Investor Program. The ministry coordinates provincial economic development initiatives in the North, supports strategic investments in infrastructure such as the Northern Highways Program, and markets Northern Ontario's strengths and opportunities to the world.

The program's network of Government Information Centres and area teams provide northerners with access to government programs and services. Through this network, coordinated policy and planning activities, and Northern Development Councils, this program also ensures northerners have a say in the government programs and services that affect them.

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
OPERATING EXPENSE					
1	Northern Economic Development	73,723,500	75,371,500	(1,648,000)	41,800,074
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		73,723,500	75,371,500	(1,648,000)	41,800,074
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>	1,900,000	1,000,000	900,000	-
Total Statutory Appropriations		1,900,000	1,000,000	900,000	-
Total Operating Expense		75,623,500	76,371,500	(748,000)	41,800,074
OPERATING ASSETS					
3	Northern Development Operating Assets	1,000	1,000	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS TO BE VOTED		1,000	1,000	-	-
Total Operating Assets		1,000	1,000	-	-

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
CAPITAL EXPENSE					
2	Northern Economic Development	57,196,000	69,950,000	(12,754,000)	339,301,511
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		57,196,000	69,950,000	(12,754,000)	339,301,511
S	Amortization - The <i>Financial Administration Act</i>	149,409,000	139,754,300	9,654,700	-
	Total Statutory Appropriations	149,409,000	139,754,300	9,654,700	-
Total Capital Expense		206,605,000	209,704,300	(3,099,300)	339,301,511
CAPITAL ASSETS					
4	Northern Highway Assets	356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS TO BE VOTED		356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-
Total Capital Assets		356,700,000	296,900,000	59,800,000	-

NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - VOTE 2202, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS		
OPERATING EXPENSE			
2202-1	Northern Economic Development		
	Salaries and wages		11,010,000
	Employee benefits		1,351,000
	Transportation and communication		1,345,400
	Services		8,505,500
	Supplies and equipment		408,800
	Transfer payments		
	Community Services	725,000	
	Economic Development	1,160,000	
	Summer Jobs Service	3,360,000	
	Ontario Northland Transportation Commission	16,100,000	
	Owen Sound Transportation Company	1,023,000	
	GO North Investor Program	500,000	
	Northern Ontario Heritage Fund	34,500,000	57,368,000
	Subtotal		79,988,700
	Less: Recoveries		6,265,200
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted		73,723,500
Statutory Appropriations			
	Other transactions		
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>		1,900,000
	Total Operating Expense for Northern Development Program		75,623,500
OPERATING ASSETS			
2202-3	Northern Development Operating Assets		
	Deposits and prepaid expenses		1,000
	Total Operating Assets to be Voted		1,000
	Total Operating Assets for Northern Development Program		1,000

NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - VOTE 2202, cont'd

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS		
CAPITAL EXPENSE			
2202-2	Northern Economic Development		
	Services		11,000,000
	Transfer payments		
	Winter Roads	3,500,000	
	Ontario Northland Transportation Commission	9,322,000	
	Owen Sound Transportation Company	3,224,000	
	Northern Ontario Heritage Fund	25,500,000	
	Millennium Partnerships	1,800,000	43,346,000
	Other transactions		
	Other - Resource Access Roads		2,850,000
	Total Capital Expense to be Voted		57,196,000
Statutory Appropriations			
	Other transactions		
S	Amortization - The <i>Financial Administration Act</i>		149,409,000
	Total Capital Expense for Northern Development Program		206,605,000
CAPITAL ASSETS			
2202-4	Northern Highway Assets		
	Tangible capital assets		356,700,000
	Total Capital Assets to be Voted		356,700,000
	Total Capital Assets for Northern Development Program		356,700,000

MINES AND MINERALS PROGRAM - VOTE 2203

This program helps build a strong, sustainable provincial minerals sector contributing to the prosperity of all of Ontario. Province-wide geological mapping, online 24-7 access to geoscience information, international marketing, and expert geological advisory services in field offices across the province create a competitive advantage for Ontario - helping a global exploration industry assess Ontario's mineral potential and attracting investment, exploration and mineral development to Ontario. This program's geoscience expertise also supports other government priorities, such as groundwater mapping as part of drinking water protection efforts and identifying new industrial and energy development opportunities.

This program area also administers the Ontario *Mining Act* to ensure sustainable and responsible development of Ontario's mineral resources. This involves equitable public access to Crown mineral rights, fair and efficient management of Ontario's mining lands, and ensuring safe, environmentally sound mineral development and rehabilitation of mining lands.

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ITEM #	ITEM	Estimates 2006-07	Estimates 2005-06	Difference Between 2006-07 and 2005-06	Actual 2004-05
OPERATING EXPENSE					
1	Mineral Sector Competitiveness	28,116,500	23,053,300	5,063,200	25,543,435
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		28,116,500	23,053,300	5,063,200	25,543,435
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>	1,000	1,000	-	-
Total Statutory Appropriations		1,000	1,000	-	-
Total Operating Expense		28,117,500	23,054,300	5,063,200	25,543,435
OPERATING ASSETS					
3	Mines and Minerals Operating Assets	1,000	1,000	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING ASSETS TO BE VOTED		1,000	1,000	-	-
Total Operating Assets		1,000	1,000	-	-
CAPITAL EXPENSE					
2	Mineral Sector Competitiveness	11,000,000	11,690,000	(690,000)	9,964,598
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSE TO BE VOTED		11,000,000	11,690,000	(690,000)	9,964,598
Total Capital Expense		11,000,000	11,690,000	(690,000)	9,964,598

MINES AND MINERALS PROGRAM - VOTE 2203, cont'd

STANDARD ACCOUNTS CLASSIFICATION

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VOTE - ITEM #	STANDARD ACCOUNT BY ITEM AND SUB-ITEMS	
	OPERATING EXPENSE	
2203-1	Mineral Sector Competitiveness	
	Salaries and wages	12,949,200
	Employee benefits	1,737,700
	Transportation and communication	1,205,600
	Services	10,112,500
	Supplies and equipment	1,811,500
	Transfer payments	
	Far-North Geological Mapping Initiative	300,000
	Total Operating Expense to be Voted	28,116,500
	Statutory Appropriations	
	Other transactions	
S	Bad Debt Expense, the <i>Financial Administration Act</i>	1,000
	Total Operating Expense for Mines and Minerals Program	28,117,500
	OPERATING ASSETS	
2203-3	Mines and Minerals Operating Assets	
	Deposits and prepaid expenses	1,000
	Total Operating Assets to be Voted	1,000
	Total Operating Assets for Mines and Minerals Program	1,000
	CAPITAL EXPENSE	
2203-2	Mineral Sector Competitiveness	
	Transportation and communication	50,000
	Services	
	Other	9,875,000
	Supplies and equipment	1,075,000
	Total Capital Expense to be Voted	11,000,000
	Total Capital Expense for Mines and Minerals Program	11,000,000

RECONCILIATION TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED DATA

CAPITAL EXPENSE	Estimates 2005-06 \$	Actual 2004-05 \$
Total Capital Expense previously published*	378,540,000	349,266,109
Government Reorganization		
Transfer of functions from other Ministries	139,754,300	-
Change in Accounting		
Change in Accounting	(296,900,000)	-
Restated Total Capital Expense	221,394,300	349,266,109

*Total Capital Expense includes Statutory Appropriations, Special Warrants, and total capital expense to be voted. Figure for 2004-05 Actual is from Public Accounts.

CAPITAL ASSETS	Estimates 2005-06 \$	Actual 2004-05 \$
Change in Accounting		
Change in Accounting	296,900,000	-
Restated Total Capital Assets	296,900,000	-

*Total Capital Assets includes Statutory Appropriations, Special Warrants, and total capital assets to be voted. Figure for 2004-05 Actual is from Public Accounts.