



TRANSPORTATION Department

ACTIVITY REPORT MARCH – MAY 2025

The Transportation Department is responsible for the safe and secure management of 14 certified airports, 14 marine ports, the Usijit para-transport and public transit services, and the Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) awareness program in Nunavik.

Staffing

Please see Appendix A for a list of our staff.

Training

In February, we brought an aviation expert to Kuujuaq to train staff on TP 312 – Aerodrome Standards and Recommended Practices.

Safety and regulatory compliance staff completed safety management systems (SMS) training in March. This training equipped them with more tools to manage SMS and drive safety culture improvement efforts.

Wildlife management training was provided in Puvirnituq on April 15-16. A total of 12 employees were certified or recertified to conduct wildlife management duties at our airports.

We experienced setbacks in February and April in our effort to organize training for candidates who could become Observer-Communicators. Full in-house OC training will commence in June 2025 in Kuujuaq. The training will cover weather observation, radio communications and Community Aerodrome Radio Stations (CARS) operations procedure. We are actively recruiting for the four remaining OC positions, two in Umiujaq, one in Salluit and one in Akulivik. We encourage beneficiaries in Umiujaq, Salluit and Akulivik to apply to the posted OC positions.

Contract has been awarded to develop in-house training tailored to the needs of Nunavik airport garages; covering elements of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS), the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG), and spill response procedures. Training will be provided to Transport's management team, and in turn, management staff will train local staff in their assigned airports. This proactive "train-the-trainer" strategy will ensure that our front-line staff receive essential training.

In preparation for summer maintenance operations, we will be hiring a consultant to assess conditions of our runways, develop a summer maintenance plan, and provide heavy equipment and runway maintenance training to our maintainers.

We will soon award a contract to develop training material on Aircraft Movement Surface Condition Reporting (AMSCR). This training will be tailored to the needs of Nunavik airports while meeting requirements of Canadian Aviation Regulations (CARs), Aeronautics Act, Transport Canada's advisory circulars and other best practices. The consultant will provide training to staff in August 2025 ahead of winter operations.

We will hire a training consultant to conduct a gap analysis on the status of training for all staff, and to provide guidance to our training program.

Operations

We have vacant OC positions at Umiujaq, Salluit and Akulivik CARS. These CARS are mostly covered by rotational OCs, and occasional closures due to vacancies are reported to MTQ and other users through emails and NOTAMS, as per the Sivunirmut Agreement. We hope to fill the remaining vacant positions this year.

Wildlife Management

- The species for which most interventions have been required at Nunavik airports in recent months are Arctic foxes, domestic dogs, ptarmigans, crows and ravens.
- A review of wildlife management plans for each of the 14 airports was completed in March. The environmental team met with staff at each airport to review high-priority species specific to their airport, and passive and active techniques that should be used to manage specific species.

Environmental Management

- Tenders for environmental assessment works were launched for Kuujjuarapik, Umiujaq, Ivujivik, and Aupaluk airports. These assessments are being conducted because of spills in previous years. The assessment will help to determine whether residual contamination is present.
- Tenders have been launched for clean-up and additional environmental assessment at Puvirnituk airport, due to the dust suppressant spill that occurred last year. The environmental team is working with the Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs of Québec (MELCCFP) to address the issues that have been identified.
- Surface water samples were collected during the melt period at Kuujjuaq, Kuujjuarapik, Inukjuak, Puvirnituk and Salluit airports to assess and monitor potential impacts of aircraft de-icing activities in waterways surrounding the airports.
- Our environmental team worked with MTMD to develop a dust suppressant management plan to ensure safe environmental usage of these products at our airports.
- Our environmental team worked with Air Inuit to develop a procedure for the storage of fuel drums and other hazardous materials for the needs of outfitters at Kuujjuaq airport.

Infrastructure and Projects

Here is a list of projects we expect to undertake this summer, pending confirmation from MTMD:

- **Puvirnituk:** Resurfacing and stabilization of aircraft movement areas
- **Salluit:** Replacement of fence sections, and repair of culverts under the runway
- **Quaqtaq:** Resurfacing of aircraft movement areas, and installation of guardrails on access road
- **Aupaluk:** Resurfacing of the movement area, repair of fence sections, addition of PAPIs (Precision Approach Patch Indicators), a runway exit sign and repair of the transit house
- **Kangirsuk and Ivujivik:** Geotechnical drilling
- **Kuujuaq:** Completion of approach lights replacement work

The terms of reference for development of the airport master plan for Kuujuaq airport is completed. KRG is continuing discussions with Transport Canada regarding funding the development of a masterplan, to date no agreement on funding has been reached.

Marine Port Management

The M30 review process on Transport Canada's Ocean Protection Plan (OPP) program is in the final stages. Funding from the OPP program will be used to supply and install portable lighting, develop emergency plans, purchase containers with emergency supply kits, and provide training at all 14 NV.

Discussions on the feasibility study for the marinas are ongoing with Transport Canada (TC), Société du Plan Nord (SPN), Ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité Durable (MTMD) and Makivik. The KRG has received initial funds for this study from SPN for the hiring of a project manager to coordinate the feasibility study. The project manager is currently working on the terms of reference for the hiring of an engineering firm that will conduct the study.

Steel plates purchased last year for marinas at Umiujaq, Tasiujaq, Aupaluk, Kangirsuk, Quaqtaq, Kangiqsujaq, Salluit, Ivujivik, Akulivik and Inukjuak will be delivered by sealift this year.

Safety & Regulatory Compliance

The planning of full-scale and tabletop emergency exercises has been completed. Please see Appendix B for the updated schedule of upcoming emergency exercises at all airports.

A Quality Assurance (QA) audit final report has been completed. The report is currently being reviewed and correction action plans (CAP) are being developed to address identified issues.

Following TC's process inspection findings that we received in January, we submitted CAP to address issues identified in the findings, and we received feedback from TC in the week of March 24. Meetings were held with TC regarding some of the CAP on which TC needed more information. This meeting presented us with an opportunity to clarify and rectify CAP with TC.

Bus Statistics

The keeping of daily bus ridership statistics is required for receiving operational funds from MTMD.

See Appendix C below for year-to-date ridership.

Appendix A: Staff

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YMU Umiujaq Airport

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YIK Ivujivik Airport

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Appendix B: 2025 Emergency Exercise Dates

	Airport	Community	Exercise Type	Date
	YVP	Kuujuuaq	Tabletop	Tuesday, May 13, 2025
OPS 1	YLU	Kangirsualujjuaq	Full scale	Wednesday, November 19, 2025
	YLA	Aupaluk	Tabletop	Wednesday, May 21, 2025
	YAS	Kangirsuk	Tabletop	Wednesday, July 2, 2025
	YHA	Quaqtaq	Tabletop	Wednesday, November 5, 2025
	YTQ	Tasiujaq	Tabletop	Wednesday, July 9, 2025
OPS 2	YPH	Inukjuak	Full scale	Thursday, July 17, 2025
	YGW	Kuujuaraapik	Tabletop	Wednesday, June 25, 2025
	YMU	Umiujaq	Tabletop	Tuesday, July 15, 2025
	YPX	Puvirnituk	Full scale	Tuesday, July 15, 2025
OPS3	YIK	Ivujivik	Full scale	Wednesday, May 7, 2025
	YKG	Kangirsujuaq	Full scale	Wednesday, May 14, 2025
	YKO	Akulivik	Tabletop	Wednesday, July 16, 2025
	YZG	Salluit	Full scale	Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Appendix C: Bus statistics

Community	# of Usijiit Riders	# of Public Transit Riders	# of Year-to-Date Days with Statistics	Last Date of Bus Statistics Submitted As of Jan 23, 2025*
Kangiqualujjuaq	-	-	-	-
Kuujjuaq	217	264	40	March 19, 2025
Tasiujaq	-	-	-	-
Aupaluk	-	-	-	-
Kangirsuk	243	1464	5	April 23, 2025
Quaqtaq	-	-	-	-
Kangijsujuaq	187	261	5	April 23, 2025
Salluit	-	-	-	-
Ivujivik	-	-	-	-
Akulivik	-	-	-	-
Puvirnituq	-	-	-	-
Inukjuak	335	1011	0	April 28, 2025
Umiujaq	-	-	-	-
Kuujjuaraapik	436	619	5	April 23, 2025