

RESPONSE:

We have the following to share from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health:

*We encourage all Saskatchewan residents to follow COVID-19 public health orders and recommendations.*

*Interprovincial travel is strongly discouraged.*

*Saskatchewan does not have punitive measures for interprovincial travel. However, residents who travel should be aware of restrictions that might be in place in other jurisdictions, including mandatory self-isolation.*

*Recreational travel outside of Saskatchewan is not recommended. The federal government has suggested guidance on services that may be considered essential for travel. That information can be found here: [Guidance on Essential Services and Functions in Canada During the COVID-19 Pandemic \(publicsafety.gc.ca\)](https://publicsafety.gc.ca)*

REQUEST:

I am writing because we are conducting research regarding travel during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Canadians are being told not to travel outside of the country right now unless it is considered “essential.”

Please provide answers to the following:

- 1) How does your government define “essential” travel - be it out of province or out of country? What would be examples of non-essential travel?
- 2) What measures does your government take to prevent non-essential travel?
- 3) What punitive measures or actions does your government take if it is determined that someone has travelled for non-essential reasons?