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Maggie MacIntyre
Association of Nova Scotia Museums
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Dear Maggie MacIntyre:

On behalf of the Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage, I am pleased to provide support for the Association of Nova Scotia Museums' proposed changes to the Museum Evaluation Program (MEP).

The evaluation work undertaken by the Association of Nova Scotia Museums is highly respected in our department's review. The proposed changes will expand beyond the Museum Evaluation Program (MEP) elements to include equity, diversity and inclusion, accessibility, climate-change, and address more community needs.

Although participation in the Museum Evaluation Program is not a criterion, nor does museum evaluation results directly influence funding decisions in accordance with the Community Museum Assistance Program, we encourage community museums to participate in these valuable capacity building opportunities in the future.

We look forward to collaborating with the Association of Nova Scotia Museums on this new approach, building an even more resilient heritage sector. Meanwhile if you have any questions, please contact Susan Jeffries, Director of Programs at susan.jeffries@novascotia.ca or 902-471-9138.

Kind regards,



Christopher Shore
Executive Director