## **Municipality of the District of Shelburne**



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MP Bernadette Jordan 129 Aberdeen Road, Suite 106 Bridgewater, NS B4V 2S7 MLA Kim Masland Centennial Building, 1660 Hollis Street, Suite 101 Halifax, NS B3J 1V7

Dear Ms. Jordan and Masland:

RE: Doppler Radar for Southwest Nova Scotia

As you may be aware, representatives from the Municipality of Shelburne along with other municipalities in Southwest Nova Scotia, our Emergency Management Offices, Environment Canada and our Members of Parliament and Legislative Assembly have been discussing the necessity of a Doppler radar system to cover Southwest Nova Scotia and the surrounding offshore waters for nearly a decade.

At this time, we would like to reiterate the need for Doppler radar coverage of Yarmouth, Shelburne and Digby Counties' waters due to the significant importance to our fishing industry, residents, visitors, Emergency Measures Operations and potential offshore developments. The addition of a Doppler radar system in Southwest Nova Scotia, that would work in conjunction with the existing radars, would provide much needed coverage and a much more reliable and dependable weather warning and reporting system. The importance of, and the ability to depend upon, a reliable, locally based, weather forecasting system and accurate radar information is essential.

Municipality of Shelburne respectfully requests your support and assistance in advocating for the residents of Southwest Nova Scotia in seeking the placement of a radar system that can provide needed coverage and much more reliable and dependable weather warning and reporting systems for our fishers, residents, emergency providers, visiting boating enthusiasts, as well as other livelihoods using our waters.

We look forward to working with you on this vital initiative.

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Yours truly

Warden Penny Smith

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c: Southwest Nova Scotia Municipal Units