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Building a Strong Aquaculture Industry

Northern Harvest Sea Farms Announces Significant Expansion in Province

The Honourable Dwight Ball, Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Honourable Steve Crocker, Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agrifoods, joined Northern Harvest Sea Farms today as it announced a \$6 million expansion to its salmon hatchery in Stephenville.

“We are proud to stand with Northern Harvest Sea Farms today as they announce yet another positive development for our province’s thriving seafood industry. As part of our vision for the future, it is crucial that we leverage all opportunities to create an even stronger aquaculture industry with a robust supply of high-quality product for markets throughout the world. In doing so we are continuing to support the social and economic viability of rural communities throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.”

- The Honourable Dwight Ball, Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador

By expanding its hatchery, Northern Harvest Sea Farms will increase its production capacity by an additional 1.5 million smolts – or 6,000 tonnes of harvested product – each year.

“Those who work to achieve advancements in harvesting, processing and aquaculture are making tremendous contributions to our provincial economy. As outlined in our vision for *The Way Forward*, we have pledged to support growth of the salmon industry to 50,000 tonnes per year. The actions by Northern Harvest Sea Farms support this goal and give us a competitive advantage as we market our products internationally.”

- The Honourable Steve Crocker, Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agrifoods

The company has planned a number of other capital investments, including four new feeding systems for its operations throughout the province at \$2 million each.

“Our ongoing partnership with the Provincial Government has helped us grow our operation in the Coast of Bays region with a continued focus on environmental sustainability and quality best practice. Through expanding our operations, we plan to increase our annual production capacity of Atlantic salmon by 6,000 tonnes and increase employment as well.”

- Larry Ingalls, President, Northern Harvest Sea Farms

This initiative is one of more than 50 included in *The Way Forward: A Vision for Sustainability and Growth in Newfoundland and Labrador*, available online at www.gov.nl.ca. The vision guides Provincial Government actions to achieve greater efficiency, strengthen the province’s

economic foundation, enhance services and improve outcomes to promote a healthy and prosperous province.

QUICK FACTS

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- The total value of aquaculture production in the province in 2015 was \$161 million.

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