

## Green Party of New Brunswick Policy Proposal – Seasonal Workers

### ***Context & Issue***

Many seasonal workers in the Acadian Peninsula and eastern coastline of New Brunswick are facing "the black hole" because their EI transfers have been slashed following changes in the calculations having to do with the lower unemployment rate in the region, and now many of them are facing months without income until the work starts again for them in June. In the Acadian Peninsula, seasonal workers have formed the *Comité d'action en assurance emploi* to lobby the federal government on this issue.

### ***Action Plan***

In order to ensure that seasonal workers have the means to sustain themselves, a Green government would petition the federal government on behalf of seasonal workers to ensure employment insurance transfers are adequate to support seasonal workers in between work periods.