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## **Yukon government will fully implement all Procurement Advisory Panel recommendations**

WHITEHORSE—Today the Government of Yukon set out 37 separate actions it will take to fully implement the recommendations of the Procurement Advisory Panel.

To provide additional certainty for industry, all 37 actions have identified timelines, ensuring government will be accountable for these commitments.

"Reliable, predictable and fair procurement is a cornerstone of a positive working relationship between government and the private sector," Minister of Highways and Public Works Scott Kent said. "Improving how we engage with businesses through tenders, contracts and other processes will help advance our economy and provide better opportunities for Yukon business owners, their employees and the families that depend on these jobs."

The action plan contains short-, medium- and long-term goals in response to the findings, recommendations and feedback received from the local business community. It includes four priority actions.

- By fall 2017, introduce either a Capital budget and/or a multi-year Capital commitment to improve project forecasting and scheduling for businesses and allow tenders to be issued well ahead of the short summer construction season.
- Work with the business community to develop policies that support local vendors.
- Create a project and performance evaluation program to improve future procurements.
- Make interim improvements to the bid challenge process, and develop a policy to replace it with a more modern and effective process.

This action plan will be shared with the vendor community and updated each year with the help of a new continuous improvement procurement group.

### **Learn more:**

Response to the procurement advisory panel recommendations

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