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Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act review underway

WHITEHORSE— The Yukon government has formally begun its review of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* today.

"The *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* has not had substantial review since it was introduced in 1996," Minister of Highways and Public Works Scott Kent said. "Government today operates in a very different, more digital world where information management and privacy issues have evolved over the years. A comprehensive review ensures that Yukon's ATIPP Act meets current and future needs."

The act's 2009 amendments established the practice of conducting a mandatory review of the act every six years.

Yukoners will have opportunities to learn more about the act and provide input into the review process, including a public education campaign to establish a base of knowledge and gather broad, preliminary input. The extensive public consultation on the proposed changes will then take place in 2017.

"The act review supports the Yukon government's commitment to being open, transparent and accountable," Kent added. "The long term goal is to ensure that the Yukon government has a modern act in line with other Canadian jurisdictions."

The *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* serves two primary purposes: to provide access to information held by public bodies; and to protect the personal privacy of individuals whose information is in the custody and/or control of public bodies.

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