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Minister visits new Conrad campground

WHITEHORSE—Construction of the new Conrad campground on Tagish Lake is on schedule, Minister of Environment Wade Istchenko announced today following a tour of the site on August 11.

"The Conrad campground will help meet the growing demand for recreational opportunities near Whitehorse for both Yukoners and visitors," Istchenko said. "After walking around the grounds, I can say with confidence that campers will enjoy the many features and beautiful views offered by these sites."

Construction of the latest addition to the Yukon government campground network – the first in nearly 30 years – will be completed later this fall, with an opening scheduled for May 2016. The 35-site campground is about 16 kilometres south of Carcross on the shores of Tagish Lake's Windy Arm.

"The shared approach our two governments took for developing this project is a real example of how governments can work together effectively," Carcross/Tagish First Nation Khà Shâde Hénì Danny Cresswell said. "CTFN and our citizens are looking forward to the shared benefits that will result from establishing and managing the new campground at Conrad."

Campground features completed to date include a loop road, RV campsites, outhouses and parking areas. Picnic shelters, firewood cribs, fire pits and bear-proof garbage containers will be installed by the end of October.

The campground is being built by the Government of Yukon and the Carcross Tagish Development Corporation; six CTFN citizens were trained and employed to do construction work. Yukon Parks worked closely with the Carcross/Tagish First Nation and the Yukon government's Heritage branch to ensure that the development of the campground is consistent with the objectives of the adjacent Conrad Historic Site, where the small town of Conrad City supported the Venus silver mine in the early 1900s.

Learn more:
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