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Public review of the Whitehorse corridor functional plan starts today

WHITEHORSE—The Yukon government is seeking public feedback on a draft functional plan for the Whitehorse corridor section of the Alaska Highway.

The Whitehorse corridor extends along the Alaska Highway from just south of the Klondike Highway turnoff to Carcross to just north of the turnoff to Dawson City.

In 2013, CH2M HILL Canada Limited was contracted to develop – in accordance with national guidelines and standards – a functional plan to address safety, traffic efficiency and capacity. The draft plan is now complete. The Yukon government is consulting with the public and affected First Nations from mid-March to mid-May.

"We encourage all Yukoners to review the proposed plan for the corridor and provide feedback on this important guiding document," Premier Darrell Pasloski said today. "We would like to hear your thoughts on safety and traffic flow, as well as on the proposed implementation plan."

Yukon residents and businesses will soon receive a publication in the mail which outlines the plan and the avenues available to provide feedback. Yukoners can also visit the project website at www.placespeak.com/whitehorsecorridor for more information. Open houses are also scheduled for April 22 to 25 at the Yukon Transportation Museum.

"The overall objective of the Whitehorse corridor functional plan is the development of a solution to address the existing safety and capacity needs, as well as to provide a strategy to meet the needs of a growing population and economy," Minister of Highways and Public Works Scott Kent said. "Input and comments received will contribute to the refinement and details for the final corridor design."

Public review is scheduled to be complete by May 15. Work on the corridor is scheduled to begin in 2016 following finalization of the plan, YESAB review and legislative approval.

Learn more:

Map: Alaska Highway Whitehorse Corridor

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