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New residential lots available in Whistle Bend

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon will release more than 150 new lots in Phase Two of the Whistle Bend subdivision in Whitehorse, Minister of Community Services Brad Cathers announced today. This follows the release of 111 lots last fall in Phase One.

"The range of housing options available in Phase Two will help address Yukoners' housing needs in the years ahead," Cathers said. "Land developments such as the Whistle Bend subdivision and smaller housing developments around the territory mean jobs for Yukoners, growth for the construction industry and the creation of vibrant neighbourhoods."

The Community Services department allocated \$30.7 million in 2013/14 to complete Whistle Bend Phases One and Two, design for Phases Three to Seven and develop land in a number of other Yukon communities. Whistle Bend is the single largest subdivision project ever undertaken in Yukon.

"Whistle Bend represents a continual partnership between the Yukon government and City of Whitehorse," Deputy Mayor Betty Irwin said. "After an extensive planning and public engagement process, Whistle Bend is finally up and running, with the end result being a sustainable, livable and complete neighbourhood that will provide lots for development for many years to come."

Lottery packages will be available on September 3 after 2 p.m., with the lottery taking place on September 18 for 146 new residential lots in Phase Two of Whistle Bend.

Phase Two will offer 57 single-family lots, 47 townhouse lots, 22 duplex lots and 20 restricted residential lots. A pair of duplex lots from Phase Two, which will accommodate a building for two families, will be set aside for Habitat for Humanity. As well, five multi-family lots will be publicly tendered on September 20.

Duplex lots start at \$74,301 and will be sold in pairs. Single-family lots start at \$110,830 and restricted residential lots start at \$109,935. Townhouse lots start at \$60,683 and will be sold in groups of three to five lots. The lots are being offered at development cost with prices comparable to those for Phase One lots.

Once complete, the Whistle Bend subdivision is envisioned as a neighbourhood for 8,000 residents, complete with transit service, a town square featuring public parkland and retail shops, space for a school, plenty of green space and many kilometres of paved and unpaved trails.

The Yukon government is constructing the subdivision, based on planning and design work by the City of Whitehorse. Current land development information is available at www.community.gov.yk.ca.

Lottery information is available at www.emr.gov.yk.ca/lands and at the Land Management Branch counter at the Elijah Smith Building in Whitehorse.

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