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## **The Yukon government approves amendments to the Waters Regulation**

WHITEHORSE—Premier Darrell Pasloski announced changes today to the *Waters Act* regulation that will establish clear timelines for internal review processes of quartz mining applications.

"These amendments create greater certainty for quartz mining proponents and the Water Board by establishing commonly understood timelines for both parties at the administrative review stage," Pasloski said. "However, they do not change how the Water Board conducts its formal review of water licence applications."

The amendments establish the list of documents needed to make an application, a five-day timeline for the Water Board Secretariat to perform its initial administrative review, and a 30-day timeline for the secretariat to perform its technical review before applications are considered by the Water Board.

"By establishing specific timelines for the Water Board Secretariat's internal review of water licence applications for quartz mining projects, we are moving forward with our commitment to improve our licensing and permitting regime," Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Scott Kent said.

These changes come into effect on October 1.

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