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## Fox Lake local area plan process announced

WHITEHORSE—A process has started to develop a local area plan for the Fox Lake area. The area to be covered extends from north of Deep Creek on the Klondike Highway to Little Fox Lake.

"A local area plan is an important tool that provides guidelines and policies to minimize land use conflicts, and to make sure that future development and growth occurs in an orderly manner," Energy, Mines and Resources Minister Brad Cathers said. "It provides local residents with the opportunity to influence the decisions that are made about the use of land within their community while ensuring that other public interests, such as protection of trails and green-space, are addressed."

In the last few years the Fox Lake area has been experiencing development pressures as a result of a number of spot land applications.

The development of a local area plan includes a process that involves extensive consultation with all members of the community and other stakeholders. Plans are developed with the help of a steering committee that is made up of residents from the planning area.

"Over the next few months a local steering committee will be established and public discussions to develop the Fox Lake local area plan will begin," Cathers added.

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