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Yukon Housing Corporation and the Yukon Science Institute present Building Science workshop

WHITEHORSE—Yukoners are invited to How Houses Work – An Introduction to Building Science for Homeowners, a presentation by building scientist Jonathan Smegal from RDH Building Science Laboratories in Waterloo, Ontario.

"Expanding on Yukon Housing Corporation's Contractor Breakfast training seminars, this presentation is being promoted to the public as well so that homeowners and landlords can also benefit by better understanding how living structures work best," Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation Stacey Hassard said. "Homes should be comfortable, have plenty of fresh air and be moisture controlled to maintain a healthy structure and environment for occupants."

The session will also focus on the importance of sustainability and durability, both of which are critical – if you double the life of a building, and you use the same amount of resources to construct it, then your investment has gone twice as far.

At this presentation Jonathan Smegal will share information about maximizing heating efficiency, heat loss prevention and new technology improvements for home construction and upgrades to existing homes.

"Healthy homes means healthy people," Hassard added. "A properly balanced living environment supports greater comfort and health by preventing mould and other contaminants from gathering. I encourage all homeowners to attend this informative and beneficial presentation on building science."

For those considering home improvements this summer, Yukon Housing Corporation has affordable low-interest loans to make those needed home repairs and upgrades.

How Houses Work – An Intro to Building Science for Homeowners will be presented Tuesday, April 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Westmark Whitehorse Hotel. Admission is free.

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