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## **Yukon government to expand campgrounds and improve facilities**

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon will invest up to \$350,000 in 2016/17 to develop new campsites and improve facilities in government campgrounds.

"The Government of Yukon is committed to identifying potential sites for new campgrounds and examining the potential for expanding existing sites," Minister of Environment Wade Istchenko said. "Upgrading Yukon campgrounds will enhance accessibility and ensure amenities are available to all visitors."

In the 2016/17 budget, the Yukon government is allocating funds for campground-related investments and projects including:

- \$248,000 for campground infill and expansion, which will lead to the creation of new sites in existing campgrounds;
- \$52,000 for basic infrastructure upgrades to outhouses, fire pits, docks, signage and kiosks; and
- \$50,000 to improve universal access to Yukon campgrounds for mobility-challenged visitors.

Funding for this work is subject to legislative approval.

Earlier this year, Yukon government cabinet ministers hosted meetings throughout the territory to gather input from First Nation and municipal governments, as well as the general public, on their priorities for the 2016/17 budget. Yukoners expressed support for expanded and improved campgrounds during the tour.

The Yukon government continues to offer extended-season service at 10 campgrounds. Full services will be available at these campgrounds from May 13 until September 30, weather permitting. The remaining campgrounds will open May 20.

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### **Learn more:**

Yukon government campgrounds

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