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Distracted driving consultation now underway

WHITEHORSE – Yukon citizens are asked to participate in the 2010 distracted driving consultation by filling out a survey and providing comments.

"This initiative is the result of a motion that received unanimous consent of the Yukon Legislative Assembly to consult with Yukoners on the use of cell phones and other electronic handheld devices while driving or operating a motor vehicle," Highways and Public Works Minister Archie Lang said.

Copies of the survey will be arriving in Yukon mail boxes this week. Survey results will help determine what changes to the Motor Vehicles Act (MVA) will be brought forward.

The MVA is a law that addresses public safety by ensuring operators and their vehicles conform to legal requirements while travelling in Yukon.

For more information on the consultation or for additional copies of the survey visit www.hpw.gov.yk.ca, call 667-3146 or 1-800-661-0408, extension 3146.

The distracted driving consultation runs from July 16 to August 13.

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