

FOR RELEASE May 10, 2017

Government of Yukon launches improved Wi-Fi access in Yukon Public Libraries

Whitehorse Public Library now has improved Wi-Fi service that includes simpler access, no time limits and faster speeds. The service will be launched in Whitehorse first, then expanded to Teslin, Watson Lake and Carmacks.

This upgraded service means service will not be compromised due to the amount of users online and that data-heavy sites can be accessed with ease. Whitehorse Public Library encourages patrons to bring their own devices to the library to explore this improved service.

Yukon Public Libraries are important access points for information, social gatherings and public meeting spaces. They also provide a safe, welcoming and comfortable environment to meet, relax, study, read, play and more.

Quotes

"I am proud that we are improving Wi-Fi in our territory through enhanced service in Yukon Public Libraries. Libraries are an important community gathering and information-sharing space. This improvement is a great example of a local solution that will provide Yukoners with more accessible services in their communities."

-Minister of Community Services John Streicker

Quick facts

- Wireless internet speeds at Whitehorse Public Library are now more stable and consistent, improving the user experience.
- Internet reliability was compromised in the past by the number of users online at any given time. This will no longer affect the service.
- Upgraded wireless will be available in the public libraries in Teslin, Watson Lake and Carmacks within the next two years.
- Infrastructure upgrades by Highways and Public Works allowed for this improved service at Whitehorse Public Library, similar to the free wireless at the Whitehorse airport.

Learn more: Improved Wi-Fi at Whitehorse Public Library

Contact:

Sunny Patch Cabinet Communications 867-393-7478 sunny.patch@gov.yk.ca

Stacie Zaychuk
Communications, Community Services
867-332-5514
stacie.zaychuk@gov.yk.ca

News Release #17-099



Stay up to date with the latest Yukon government news by subscribing to our RSS feed here: http://www.gov.yk.ca/news/rss.html. Or follow us on Twitter @yukongov.