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Whistle Bend Way opens to the public

WHITEHORSE—Land development in Whitehorse passed another milestone today with the opening of Whistle Bend Way.

"This is a big step toward meeting our housing demands for the next 10 years," Community Services Minister Archie Lang said. "When complete, the Whistle Bend subdivision will help us to keep pace with Yukon's economic growth."

Minister Lang and Whitehorse Mayor Bev Buckway cut a ceremonial ribbon allowing the public onto the road for the first time. The Whistle Bend development is being managed by the Yukon government on behalf of the City of Whitehorse under a land development protocol.

"The City of Whitehorse is pleased to work with the Government of Yukon to ensure that more land and more houses are available to Whitehorse citizens," Buckway said. "Whistle Bend will assist the city in accommodating the growing number of people who are choosing to call Whitehorse home."

Whistle Bend Way is the major arterial road accessing the Whistle Bend subdivision. The two-lane, divided road has bike lanes and is almost one kilometre long. It was completed at a cost of approximately \$6 million.

When completed the new subdivision will accommodate more than 8,000 residents in nearly 3,900 housing units. Land lotteries for the first lots are scheduled for fall 2012.

Other work underway this year includes underground water and sewer utilities, water and wastewater pumping stations, the Valleyview reservoir expansion, the Range Road watermain extension and McIntyre Creek crossing.

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