

# VOTE 53 DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES

### **MINISTER**

Hon. A. Lang

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### **DEPARTMENTAL OBJECTIVES**

- Responsibly manage Yukon's natural resources and ensure integrated resource and land use.
- Promote investment in and responsible development of Yukon's mineral, energy, forestry, agriculture and land resources.
- Provide strategic leadership for natural resource policy and planning.
- Continue the integration and operational transition of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development's (DIAND's) resource management programs and other implementation initiatives pursuant to the Devolution Transfer Agreement (DTA).
- To support and facilitate the implementation of the *Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act (YESAA).*

	2006-07	2005-06	%	2004-05
FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$000s)	ESTIMATE	FORECAST	CHANGE	ACTUAL
Capital Expenditures				
Corporate Services	648	415	56%	246
Sustainable Resources	1,100	1,727	-36%	1,146
Energy and Corporate Policy	50	100	-50%	133
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources	3,723	4,640	-20%	3,464
Total Capital Vote 53	5,521	6,882	-20%	4,989
Revenues Third-Party Recoveries Recoveries from Canada	410 250	235 1,217	74% -79%	11 754
Total Revenues	660	1,452	-55%	765
Categories Tangible Capital Assets Other Capital Projects and Purchases Transfer Payments	355 3,561 1,605	214 4,095 2,573	66% -13% -38%	167 3,384 1,438
Total Categories	5,521	6,882	-20%	4,989

Note:

Restated 2005-06 Forecast and 2004-05 Actual to be consistent with 2006-07 Estimate presentation.

CHANGES IN TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS AND AMORTIZATION (\$000s)	2006-07 ESTIMATE	2005-06 FORECAST	2004-05 ACTUAL
Beginning of the Year			
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets in Service	577	483	414
Accumulated Amortization	(257)	(167)	(89)
Work-in-Progress	218	98	0
Net Book Value	538	414	325
Changes during the Year			
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets			
Capital Expenditures	235	94	69
Disposals	0	0	0
Accumulated Amortization			
Amortization Expense	(103)	(90)	(78)
Disposals	0	0	0
Work-in-Progress			
Capital Expenditures	120	120	98
Work-in-Progress put in Service during Year	0	0	0
End of the Year			
Cost of Tangible Capital Assets in Service	812	577	483
Accumulated Amortization	(360)	(257)	(167)
Net Book Value	452	320	316
Work-in-Progress	338	218	98
Total Net Book Value and Work-in-Progress	790	538	414
Deferred Capital Contributions			
Balance, Beginning of the Year	(96)	(129)	(159)
Additions	0	0	0
Amortization of Deferred Capital Contributions	33	33	30
Balance, End of the Year	(63)	(96)	(129)

## **CORPORATE SERVICES**

## **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE**

• To provide leadership and decision support services to Energy, Mines and Resources' branches in communications, finance, administration, records management, information technology, human resources and library/research services.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000s)	2006-07	2005-06	%	2004-05
	ESTIMATE	FORECAST	CHANGE	ACTUAL
Office Furniture, Equipment, Systems and Space	358	345	4%	177
Operational Equipment	115	70	64%	69
Mobile Abattoir	175	0	100%	0
Total Corporate Services	648	415	56%	246

#### SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES

#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

#### Lands:

- To ensure land is available for Yukoners and Yukon development projects.
- To develop resource management policies to implement Big Game Outfitter land tenure, residential placer occupancy, commercial wilderness and spot land recreation tenure.
- To implement the lands digital map framework for Yukon.

### Forestry:

- To continue development of a forestry policy framework which reflects an integrated resource management approach in preparation for a *Yukon Forest Stewardship Act*.
- To manage Yukon's forest resources in a sustainable manner.
- To issue timber harvesting authorizations, approvals and permits in a responsible, timely and consistent manner.
- To ensure land is available for Yukon forest projects and to provide access to harvestable wood.
- To provide a basic silviculture program that will ensure reforestation of areas logged, burnt by wildfires and/or killed by insects and disease.
- To carry out planning and implementation of burnt timber salvage in Yukon.
- To undertake and maintain the Yukon forest inventory.
- To provide public and stakeholder information, education and awareness regarding basic forest science knowledge, forest management activities, issues and challenges in Yukon.

## Agriculture:

- To promote an agricultural industry that provides economic benefits to the Yukon in an environmentally sustainable fashion, while reflecting broad social values.
- To provide policy and program support to enhance productivity, profitability and sustainability of the industry.
- To implement the Agriculture Policy Framework (APF) Agreement.
- To make agricultural land available to industry.

# SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES (Cont'd)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000s)	2006-07 ESTIMATE	2005-06 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2004-05 ACTUAL
Lands				
Rehabilitation of Land	40	40	0%	41
Forestry				
Forest Inventory	250	315	-21%	684
Forest Engineering	360	797	-55%	275
Forest Management Plans Implementation	250	250	0%	115
Forest Silviculture	150	250	-40%	0
Agriculture				
Agricultural Land Development	50	75	-33%	31
Total Sustainable Resources	1,100	1,727	-36%	1,146

## **ENERGY AND CORPORATE POLICY**

#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

- To develop policies, strategies, programs and legislative instruments to support resource management and development, in keeping with government-wide priorities.
- To provide policy and program advice to the government on energy matters, including developing a comprehensive Yukon Energy Framework Strategy and a Climate Change Strategy.
- To provide resource sector input into land-based initiatives including land claims agreements and protected areas.
- To increase the public's awareness and understanding of departmental priorities, programs, policies and initiatives.
- To manage, support and coordinate Government of Yukon's regional land use planning responsibilities.
- To engage all energy users (individuals, businesses, public organizations, communities and First Nations) in energy efficiency programs through the operation of the Energy Solutions Centre.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000s)	2006-07 ESTIMATE	2005-06 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2004-05 ACTUAL
Energy and Corporate Policy				
Resource Infrastructure Development	50	100	-50%	133
Total Energy and Corporate Policy	50	100	-50%	133

#### **OIL AND GAS AND MINERAL RESOURCES**

#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

#### Assessment and Abandoned Mines:

- To direct and oversee the care and maintenance and orderly planning and closure of Type II mine sites per the Devolution Transfer Agreement (DTA) and enter into suitable funding arrangements with the federal government for agreed-upon work.
- To facilitate First Nation and community participation in closure planning and in business and employment opportunities associated with site management and closure.
- To facilitate the sale or the legal abandonment of Type II mine sites to allow the mine sites either back into production or into closure.

## Oil and Gas Development and Pipeline:

- Facilitate investment in and development of Yukon's oil and gas resources in a manner that increases employment, training and business opportunities for Yukon people.
- Promote Yukon's oil and gas resources, maximize economic opportunities and secure local benefits from Yukon oil and gas development and pipeline projects, including the Alaska Highway and Mackenzie Valley projects.
- Ensure access to a Mackenzie Valley transmission pipeline for north central Yukon natural gas.
- Develop sector policy and strategies for oil and gas development and pipeline projects including a clear and timely regulatory process for the pipeline project.
- To develop a shared offshore oil and gas regulatory regime with Canada.

#### Oil and Gas Management:

- To build a competitive oil and gas management regime.
- To implement government-to-government arrangements vis-à-vis disposition rights.
- To manage Yukon's oil and gas resources.
- To regulate Yukon's oil and gas operations and facilities.

#### **Mineral Resources:**

- To facilitate sustainable exploration, development and mining of Yukon's mineral resources through education, promotion, project coordination and effective government policies and support.
- To support and facilitate development and implementation of a new Yukon Placer Authorization.
- To efficiently manage Yukon's mineral resources including certainty of mineral tenure and build a competitive regulatory mineral management regime.

## Yukon Geological Survey:

- To generate, compile and distribute technical information about the geology, mineral and energy resources of Yukon to clients and stakeholders.
- To stimulate investment in mineral exploration and development by providing incentives to prospectors and exploration companies.
- To undertake mineral and energy potential assessments to be used in planning and regulatory processes prior to land being withdrawn from disposition for mineral or energy development.

# OIL AND GAS AND MINERAL RESOURCES (Cont'd)

	2006-07	2005-06	%	2004-05
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000s)	ESTIMATE	FORECAST	CHANGE	ACTUAL
Oil and Gas Development and Pipeline				
Alaska Highway Pipeline and				
MacKenzie Gas Project Analysis	1,008	1,008	0%	676
Alaska Highway Aboriginal Pipeline Coalition	200	200	0%	205
Oil and Gas Management				
Yukon Oil and Gas Information Systems	140	120	17%	188
Kaska Economic Table	50	100	-50%	100
Resource Assessments - Oil and Gas	175	125	40%	28
Yukon Geological Survey				
Yukon Mining Incentives Program (YMIP)	775	850	-9%	857
Resource Assessments - Minerals	500	1,402	-64%	451
Geological Surveys	875	835	5%	959
Total Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources	3,723	4,640	-20%	3,464

REVENUES (\$000s)	2006-07 ESTIMATE	2005-06 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2004-05 ACTUAL
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THIRD-PARTY RECOVERIES				
Sustainable Resources	_			
Forestry				
Forest Engineering	360	160	125%	0
Agriculture				
Agricultural Land Development	50	75	-33%	11
Total Third-Party Recoveries	410	235	74%	11
RECOVERIES FROM CANADA				
Sustainable Resources				
Forestry				
Forest Inventory	250	315	-21%	684
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources				
Yukon Geological Survey				
Prior Years' Recoveries	0	902	-100%	70
Total Recoveries from Canada	250	1,217	-79%	754
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TOTAL REVENUES	660	1,452	-55%	765

	2006-07	2005-06	%	2004-05
TRANSFER PAYMENTS (\$000s)	ESTIMATE	FORECAST	CHANGE	ACTUAL
CONTRIBUTIONS				
Sustainable Resources				
Forestry				
Forest Management Plans Implementation	150	150	0%	115
Energy and Corporate Policy				
Prior Years' Contributions	0	0	0%	31
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources				
Oil and Gas Development and Pipeline				
Alaska Highway Pipeline Analysis	275	275	0%	16
Alaska Highway Aboriginal Pipeline Coalition	200	200	0%	205
Oil and Gas Management				
Kaska Economic Table	50	100	-50%	100
Resource Assessments - Oil and Gas	25	0	100%	0
Yukon Geological Survey				
Yukon Mining Incentives Program (YMIP)	650	728	-11%	670
Resource Assessments - Minerals	155	1,020	-85%	200
Geological Surveys	100	100	0%	101
TOTAL TRANSFER PAYMENTS	1,605	2,573	-38%	1,438