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Tombstone Territorial Park Management Plan review launched

WHITEHORSE – Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in and the Government of Yukon are holding a public review of the management plan for Tombstone Territorial Park to ensure that it continues to be responsive to changing conditions that might affect park values and opportunities.

“The park’s management plan provides a clear, long-term vision and direction for the management of this spectacular natural landscape,” Environment Minister Currie Dixon said. “The Yukon government is committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of Yukon’s natural environment for present and future generations.”

The management plan sets out 91 specific actions designed to protect the unique ecological and cultural integrity of the lands within the park while enhancing public appreciation of these resources. A preliminary review by a joint Yukon government/Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in committee invites the public to comment on its six recommendations which include the following:

- Developing the regulations necessary to fully implement the park management plan;
- Building on the effective collaboration between the Yukon government and Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in in implementing the management plan; and
- Making no change to the plan at this time and to schedule the next review for 2017.

“We hope that people with an interest in the park will let us know what they think of how the park management plan has been implemented to date,” Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in Chief Eddie Taylor said. “This area is an important part of our traditional territory and culture.”

Public open house meetings will be held on March 6 in Whitehorse and March 12 in Dawson City. A meeting for Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in citizens will be held in Dawson City on March 13. There is an online survey at www.tombstonepark.ca and the option of submitting written comments directly to the review committee. The deadline for commenting is April 7.

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