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Location chosen for new F.H. Collins school

WHITEHORSE—The site for the newly designed F.H. Collins Secondary School has been selected Education Minister Scott Kent and Highways and Public Works Minister Wade Istchenko announced today.

"We considered input gathered throughout the planning process and have made a decision that will serve current and future F.H. Collins Secondary School communities," Kent said. "Yukon Education is excited that the project is moving ahead and looks forward to supporting our colleagues at Highways and Public Works as they manage the project throughout the construction process."

The new school will be constructed near the existing school, in an area where the current running track and soccer field are located. Government officials are already discussing options with sporting associations to ensure as much continuity as possible for sport activities and athletics. An open house to provide more details for the school community is being planned for September.

"The location chosen for the school will use previously installed civil infrastructure and cause the least amount of disturbance to ongoing school operations," Istchenko said. "For example, the new school will have a completely different access route, which will leave access to the current school untouched during the construction period."

The school design and layout will accommodate future expansion. The tendering process for construction of the school is expected to begin in late October. Completion of the school is slated to occur during the 2015/2016 school year.

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See attached images.

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