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Government of Yukon and Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation sign accord

OLD CROW—The Government of Yukon and the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation are pleased to announce the renewal of an Intergovernmental Accord. Chief Joe Linklater and Premier Darrell Pasloski signed the accord today at Tl'oo K'at, the traditional meeting grounds of the Vuntut Gwitchin.

"Yukon is pleased to renew this accord with the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation," Pasloski said. "As with previous accords with the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation, it provides an opportunity for both governments to identify common priorities and work together to ensure progress is made."

Intergovernmental accords provide a practical way for governments to work together on key joint initiatives.

"Vuntut Gwitchin Government worked with Yukon government on a process of engagement for North Yukon," Linklater said. "Both governments recognize the importance of collaboration and in good faith identified the priorities for North Yukon, which are integrated into this accord."

Due to combined efforts between the Government of Yukon and the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation, the following successful projects have been developed and implemented:

- the Fishing Branch Management Plan;
- the North Yukon Regional Land Use Plan; and
- land-based programs available in the Old Crow public school.

"The shared priorities identified in this accord include developing a community energy plan and continuing work on an innovative, experiential land-based learning program that has been shared nationally," Pasloski added.

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