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Whistle Bend subdivision reaches milestone

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is transferring the public infrastructure ownership of Phases One and Two of the Whistle Bend subdivision to the City of Whitehorse, reaching another landmark in meeting Whitehorse's long-term housing needs.

"Providing an adequate supply of lots for Yukoners to build homes is a priority for the government," Premier Darrell Pasloski said. "This transfer marks another milestone in the largest subdivision development in Yukon's history."

The city will now go through the Construction Completion Certification process set out in the Whistle Bend Subdivision Stages One and Two Development Agreement to accept ownership of the project assets.

"Whistle Bend is a key piece of the Whitehorse Growth Strategy. This paves the way for Whistle Bend and it is an exciting development for our community," City of Whitehorse Mayor Dan Curtis said. "This neighbourhood will be home to 8,000 Whitehorse residents, offering transit service, parks, schools, retail shops and trails. Through our partnership with Yukon government, the city is working to expand affordable and sustainable housing options."

The Whistle Bend subdivision project was developed under the Land Development Protocol signed by the City of Whitehorse and the Government of Yukon in 2006. The Department of Community Services constructed the subdivision based on the planning and preliminary design work provided by the City of Whitehorse. Planning and preliminary engineering work for Phases Three to Seven are complete and are expected to add over 850 lots to the market in the coming years as demand warrants.

"We have delivered 324 new developed lots with the first two stages of the Whistle Bend subdivision," Minister of Community Services Brad Cathers said. "Houses are already being built on some of these lots. The balance is providing the city with a healthy inventory to meet its long-term needs."

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