

FOR RELEASE
May 5, 2016

Minister recognizes mining week and new bedrock map technology

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon paid tribute to Yukon Mining and Geology Week today in the Legislative Assembly.

"Mining and Geology Week is important because it gives Yukoners a better understanding of what this vibrant industry contributes to our territory," Kent said. "One of the key goals of this week is for Yukon citizens to learn more about the mineral industry and the science of geology."

Mining week activities, organized by the Yukon Chamber of Mines with Yukon government support, include the popular Yukon Mining and Exploration and Discovery Camp at the S.S. Klondike National Historic Site in Whitehorse, which the public is encouraged to visit. The discovery camp will be held on May 6 and will include the Yukon Geological Survey's Mines and Minds tent. More than 300 students will partake in hands-on geoscience activities with geologists and also tour all the exhibitor tents at the camp.

"This year the Yukon Geological Survey has released a new digital bedrock geology map. The map is backed up by a rich dataset of geological information which will be updated annually as new geological mapping is completed," Kent added. "Our exploration geologists will appreciate this new technology which enables them to download the most up-to-date geologic map of Yukon."

This update of the Yukon bedrock geology map includes new, detailed bedrock geology maps and regional compilations that have been published by the Yukon Geological Survey and the Geological Survey of Canada between 1999 and 2015, as well as some recent thesis works.

Learn more

Mining and Geology Week

Bedrock Geology

-30-

Contact:

Dan Macdonald
Cabinet Communications
867-393-6470
dan.macdonald@gov.yk.ca

Sue Thomas
Communications, Energy, Mines and Resources
867-667-5809
sue.thomas@gov.yk.ca

News Release #16-174



Stay up to date with the latest Yukon government news by subscribing to our RSS feed here:
<http://www.gov.yk.ca/news/rss.html>. Or follow us on Twitter @yukongov.