



Department of Highways and Public Works  
November 24, 2023

Applicant c/o  
Access and Privacy Officer  
Corporate Information Management, ATIPP Office

#### **Final Response ATIPP Access Request 23-305**

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The Department of Highways and Public Works has searched The Deputy Minister's Office, Corporate Services and Transportation Services and has identified records responsive to Access Request 23-305 noted below:

**This request is directly related to our request to close the unmaintained road at Squan Lake or alternately, our request to prohibit camping & campfires at the same location. This request was initiated by a meeting with our MLA Minister Streicker on Aug 1, 2023 and passed to Matt Ball – EMR, Lands Director. We are requesting: 1 - All communications including emails, texts, documents, memos, photos, videos and any documents and reports related to: A site visit by EMR - Natural Resources Officer to the unmaintained road at Squan Lake in August 2023 as per Matt Ball. Date unknown, EMR wouldn't tell us. 2 - All communications including meeting records and minutes, call logs, emails, texts, documents, memos, photos, videos, reports, and documents related to: The discussion(s) and decision from EMR-Lands and HPW to refuse to close the unmaintained road, or to prohibit camping & campfires on the unmaintained road at Squan Lake. 3 - All policies and/or specific legislation used to make the decision to refuse to close the unmaintained road, or to prohibit camping & campfires on the unmaintained road at Squan Lake. We also request the following questions be answered. EMR would not answer them. A. What is the specific legislation or policy that 'involves public engagement' to close an unmaintained road? As per email from Matt Ball, EMR-Lands that states this decision "involves public engagement". B. How many camp sites are required before YG will acknowledge that this is not an unmaintained road? C. If a squatter moves in at the unmaintained road to Squan Lake does this trapline lose 1km of trapping area around the squatter? D. Were any other YG departments consulted? Timeframe: August 1, 2023 - October 2, 2023**

## **Decision**

The Head of the Department of Highways and Public Works has approved the following response to this request:

## **Access Granted in Full**

## **Final Costs**

There is no charge to the applicant.

## **Right to Complain**

Pursuant to section 66 of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act you may contact Yukon's Information and Privacy Commissioner with a complaint in respect to this response. Section 66 states:

*An applicant may, in respect of the head of a responsive public body's response to their access request under section 64, make a complaint to the commissioner by filing the complaint in accordance with section 90.*

Should you wish to do so, please refer your written complaint within 30 business days to the Information and Privacy Commissioner at:

Yukon Information and Privacy Commissioner  
3162 Third Avenue, Main Floor, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 1G3  
E-mail: [intake@yukonombudsman.ca](mailto:intake@yukonombudsman.ca)  
Phone: (867) 667-8468; (toll free: 1-800-661-0408 ext. 8468)

## **Contact Person in Department**

If the applicant has any questions, please contact the Designated Access Officer for Department of Highways and Public Works at [hpw.atipp@yukon.ca](mailto:hpw.atipp@yukon.ca).

## Summary of Records

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Records Summary	
Initial Page Count:	16
Duplicates:	2
Not responsive:	2
Final Page Count:	12

### Notes:

Non-responsive records may include records outside of the time frame of the request and/or records unrelated to the subject matter of the request.

An additional 14 pages of responsive records were provided after the Access to Information Summary was produced.