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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES

MINISTER

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DEPARTMENTAL OBJECTIVES

- Responsibly manage Yukon's natural resources and ensure integrated resource and land use by:
 - Issuing authorities, approvals and permits for oil and gas, Commissioner's land and agriculture in a responsive and timely manner;
 - Regulating Yukon's natural resource wealth in accordance with legislative requirements;
 - Establishing positive government-to-government relationships with Yukon First Nations and other agencies with management responsibilities; and
 - Participating, monitoring and supporting land-based planning initiatives including regional land use planning, land claim Special Management Areas (SMAs), etc.
- Promote investment in and responsible development of Yukon's mineral, energy, forestry, agriculture and land resources including:
 - Working to facilitate a positive investment climate that will support Yukon development in the oil and gas, oil and gas pipeline, mineral, energy and agriculture sectors;
 - Actively preparing for oil and gas transmission projects;
 - Ensuring land is available for Yukoners and Yukon development projects;
 - Securing local benefits from Yukon resource projects;
 - Working with Yukon First Nation governments to facilitate economic benefits to First Nations from resource developments within their traditional territories;
 - Encouraging value-added processing opportunities for Yukon's resources;
 - Developing and implementing initiatives to enhance investment, promotion and public education in Yukon's natural resources; and
 - Developing and providing comprehensive information on Yukon's resources to clients and stakeholders.
- Provide strategic leadership for natural resource policy and planning including:
 - Developing mineral, forestry, agriculture and land policy frameworks which reflect an integrated resource management approach; and
 - Providing energy policy leadership and energy program coordination including support of alternate energy programs.
- Implementing an orderly and smooth transfer of Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND) resource management programs.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Capital Expenditures				
Corporate Services	90	70	29%	83
Policy and Planning	100	88	14%	205
Sustainable Resources	120	136	-12%	263
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources	3,020	4,727	-36%	4,594
Total Capital Vote 53	3,330	5,021	-34%	5,145
Capital Recoveries	110	1,085	-90%	961

Note:

Restated 2002-03 Forecast and 2001-02 Actual to be consistent with the 2003-04 Estimate presentation.

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CORPORATE SERVICES

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

- To provide leadership and decision support services to Energy, Mines and Resources' branches in communications, finance, information technology and human resources.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Office Furniture, Equipment, Systems and Space	90	70	29%	83
Total Corporate Services	90	70	29%	83

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POLICY AND PLANNING

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To develop policies, strategies, programs and legislative instruments to support resource management and development, in keeping with government-wide priorities.
- To provide policy and program advice to the government on energy matters, including developing a comprehensive Yukon Energy Framework Strategy and Climate Change Action Plan.
- To provide resource sector input into land-based initiatives including land claims agreements, regional land use planning, protected areas and implementation of the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act (YESAA).
- To increase the public's awareness and understanding of departmental priorities, programs, policies and initiatives.
- To continue development of forestry policy framework which reflects an integrated resource management approach in preparation for a Yukon Forest Act.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Integrated Resources				
Resource Infrastructure Development	100	58	72%	204
Prior Years' Projects	0	30	-100%	1
Total Policy and Planning	100	88	14%	205

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SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Lands:

- To ensure land is available for Yukoners and Yukon development projects.
- To implement an integrated application and review process for spot application programs and recreational land.
- To integrate land management and administration processes to reflect federal and mirror Yukon government lands legislation.

Agriculture:

- To promote an agricultural industry that provides economic benefits to the Yukon in an environmentally sustainable fashion, while reflecting broad social values.
- To enhance productivity, profitability and sustainability of the industry.
- To implement the Agriculture Policy Framework (APF) Agreement.
- To streamline the agriculture land application process.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Lands				
Legal Surveys	20	70	-71%	0
Prior Years' Projects	0	8	-100%	263
Agriculture				
Agricultural Land Development	100	50	100%	0
Prior Years' Projects	0	8	-100%	0
Total Sustainable Resources	120	136	-12%	263

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OIL AND GAS AND MINERAL RESOURCES

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To direct and oversee the orderly planning and abandonment of Type II mine sites per the Devolution Transfer Agreement (DTA) and enter into suitable funding arrangements with the federal government for agreed upon work.

Oil and Gas Development and Pipeline:

- Facilitate investment in and development of Yukon's oil and gas resources in a manner that increases employment, training and business opportunities for Yukon people.
- Promote Yukon's oil and gas resources, maximize economic opportunities and secure local benefits from Yukon oil and gas development and pipeline projects, including the Alaska Highway and Mackenzie Valley projects.
- Ensure access to a Mackenzie Valley transmission pipeline for north central Yukon natural gas.
- Develop sector policy and strategies for oil and gas development and pipeline projects including a clear and timely regulatory process for the pipeline project.

Oil and Gas Management:

- To manage Yukon's oil and gas resources.
- To regulate oil and gas activities in Yukon.
- To develop and implement Yukon's oil and gas regulatory regime.
- To develop a shared offshore oil and gas regulatory regime with Canada.

Minerals Development:

- To maximize the benefits to Yukoners and minimize the environmental impacts from the sustainable exploration, development and mining of Yukon's mineral resources.
- To stimulate investment in mineral exploration and development by providing incentives to prospectors and exploration companies.
- To generate and compile scientific and technical information about the geology and mineral deposits of Yukon, and distribute this information to clients and stakeholders.
- To ensure mineral potential assessments are completed and used in planning and regulatory processes prior to land being withdrawn from disposition for mineral development.

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**OIL AND GAS AND MINERAL RESOURCES
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CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Oil and Gas Development and Pipeline				
Alaska Highway Pipeline Analysis	550	1,034	-47%	1,080
Oil and Gas Management				
Oil and Gas Information Systems	160	139	15%	184
Resource Assessments - Oil and Gas	100	216	-54%	80
Minerals Development				
Yukon Mining Incentives Program (YMIP)	850	835	2%	707
Geological Surveys	835	1,673	-50%	1,805
Resource Assessments - Minerals	500	525	-5%	451
Mining Environment Research Group (MERG)	25	25	0%	25
Prior Years' Projects	0	280	-100%	262
Total Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources	3,020	4,727	-36%	4,594

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RECOVERIES (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
Sustainable Resources				
Legal Surveys	10	70	-86%	0
Agricultural Land Development	100	50	100%	16
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources				
Prior Years' Recoveries	0	965	-100%	945
TOTAL RECOVERIES	110	1,085	-90%	961

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TRANSFER PAYMENTS (\$000'S)	2003-04 ESTIMATE	2002-03 FORECAST	% CHANGE	2001-02 ACTUAL
CONTRIBUTIONS				
Oil and Gas and Mineral Resources				
Yukon Mining Incentives Program (YMIP)	728	728	0%	605
Mining Environment Research Group (MERG)	25	25	0%	25
Prior Years' Contributions	0	562	-100%	619
TOTAL TRANSFER PAYMENTS	753	1,315	-43%	1,249