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**GOVERNMENT SEEKS FEEDBACK ON CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN**

WHITEHORSE – Yukoners are encouraged to comment on the draft Yukon Government Climate Change Action Plan before July 31, Environment Minister Elaine Taylor announced today.

“Climate change affects all of us in Yukon,” Taylor said. The draft Action Plan sets out how we can implement the Yukon Climate Change Strategy, including work already underway as well as recommendations for new projects and policies.”

Public consultation began on May 12 and will end on July 31. In addition to the meetings and briefings already held around the territory, there will be an Open House on Wednesday, July 23, in the Shipyards Park Building in Whitehorse from 3:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Environment Yukon staff will be on hand to answer questions, provide an overview, and take down comments and suggestions.

“The draft Action Plan includes information received from many individuals and organizations,” Taylor said.

The draft Action Plan sets out 33 specific actions that will advance the goals set out in the *Climate Change Strategy*. Action highlights include:

- Enhancing support for climate change monitoring and education
- Establishing Yukon targets for greenhouse gas emission reduction within two years
- Creating a Climate Change Secretariat

For more information or to request a meeting, the public can e-mail [climatechange@gov.yk.ca](mailto:climatechange@gov.yk.ca) or call the Climate Change Co-ordinator at 867-633-7971 (toll free 1-800-661-0408, local 7971). The draft Climate Change Action Plan is available on-line at [www.environmentyukon.gov.yk.ca](http://www.environmentyukon.gov.yk.ca) or in paper form at Environment Yukon offices, territorial agents, and the inquiry centre in the Administration Building.

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