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**Yukon Geological Survey Geologists Recognized For Excellence in Science and Technology**

WHITEHORSE – Yukon Geological Survey (YGS) geologists Tammy Allen and Tiffani Fraser received an award for their work on a project that examined a sedimentary basin that straddles northeastern Yukon and western NWT. The study contributed to a better understanding of the basin’s geologic history and hydrocarbon potential.

“I am pleased to congratulate them for receiving this award for their excellent work,” Energy, Mines and Resources Minister Brad Cathers said.

The joint team, made up of geologists from the Yukon, NWT, and the federal government, received the Excellence in Science and Technology award from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), Northwest Territories region, for their contribution to a joint Yukon/NWT project.

“Research projects such as this contribute to our knowledge of Yukon’s geology and resource potential, supporting sustainable development and land management decisions,” Cathers said.

The award was established by Indian & Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), NWT Regional Office to recognize exceptional work done in the science and technology fields.

YGS works to continuously gather new data and update Yukon’s databases of geological information. Geological information supports resource exploration investment, helps predict and mitigate hazards, enables informed land use decisions and supports infrastructure developments. For more information visit [www.geology.gov.yk.ca](http://www.geology.gov.yk.ca).

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