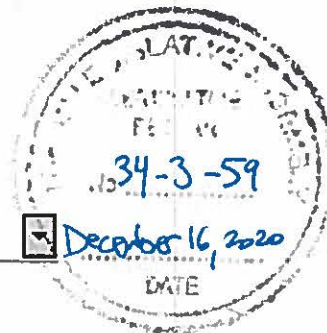


LEGISLATIVE RETURN

SUBMITTED BY: Hon. Ms. Frost, Minister of Environment



1. On _____, (Member) _____

asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) _____ of Hansard

submitted the following written question – WQ No. _____

gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. _____

RE: _____

OR

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion with Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane on November 24, 2020 related to:

Bill No. 205

Second Reading Third Reading

Committee of the Whole: 52 vote

Motion No. _____

RE: New Campgrounds

at page(s) 2020 of Hansard.

The response is as follows:

Questions:

What locations are being considered for the new campground?

Is there any money in this year's budget for the new campground?

The strategy contemplates adding sites to existing campgrounds. Have they made a decision on which existing campgrounds would be expected to see new sites added?

The strategy contemplates new boat-in or hike-in sites. Can the Minister tell us where those will be?

The response is as follows:

In September 2020, the Department of Environment announced the Yukon Parks Strategy – a ten year strategy that sets the long-term direction for Yukon's system of parks and campgrounds. We are in the early stages of identifying possible locations for a new campground within two hours of Whitehorse. As such, there are no specific locations being considered quite yet.

There is no additional money in this year's budget specifically allocated to the new campground. Work on this project within this fiscal year can be accomplished within existing resources. Over a three year period starting in 2022-23, approximately \$2.3 million has been identified in the capital budget for the development of a new recreation park and campground.

Locations of where we will be adding campsites to the existing campgrounds is not yet known. Decisions on this will occur incrementally over the next five years guided by visitor demands, operational opportunities and constraints, and the establishment of a new parks system plan. Opportunities for campground expansion may also be explored through dialogue with First Nations. This systematic approach to determining the location of expansion sites will also depend on the size and location of the new campground.

The location of additional of boat-in and hike-in sites will emerge through the parks

Dec. 15 2020

Date


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The location of additional of boat-in and hike-in sites will emerge through the parks system planning process.