

LEGISLATIVE RETURN



SUBMITTED BY: Hon. Richard Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

1. On March 13, 2023, Brad Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge
 - asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) [page numbers] of *Hansard*
 - submitted the following written question – WQ No. 35
 - gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. #

RE: Emergency Medical Services Coverage

OR

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion with [MLA] on [date] related to:
 - Bill No. # Second Reading Third Reading
 - Committee of the Whole: [Vote]
 - Motion No. # RE: [subject]
 - at page(s) [page numbers] of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:
Question: See attached.

Response:
The total cost of sending paramedics by air from Whitehorse to substitute for volunteer coverage in 2022 was approximately \$3,000.

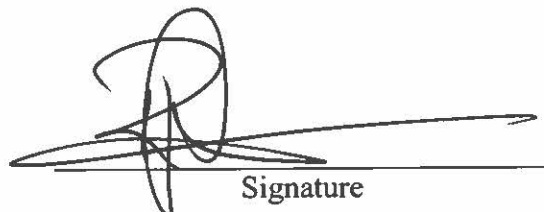
As of July 2023, EMS coverage is supported by the following number of community responders (volunteers) in each community:

Beaver Creek – 7 community responders
Carcross – 7 community responders, 2 recruits
Carmacks – 8 community responders
Dawson City – 6 community responders, 1 recruit
Destruction Bay – 11 community responders
Eagle Plains – 1 community responder
Faro – 6 community responders, 1 recruit
Haines Junction – 12 community responders, 1 recruit
Marsh Lake – 5 community responders
Mayo – 7 community responders
Pelly Crossing – 3 community responder
Ross River – 5 community responders
Tagish – 2 community responders
Teslin – 8 community responders
Watson Lake – 9 community responders

In 2022, Yukon communities had full coverage 68% of the time. Below is the total annual hours worked by each region in 2022.

Beaver Creek – 8,322
Carcross – 5,781.6
Carmacks – 5,869.2
Dawson City – 7,533.6
Destruction Bay – 7,796.4

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Eagle Plains – 4292.4
Faro – 8,760
Haines Junction – 7,621.2
Marsh Lake – 2,365.2
Mayo – 8,059.2
Pelly Crossing – 4,818
Ross River – 5,869.2
Tagish – 2,540.4
Teslin – 4,555.2
Watson Lake – 8,059.2

During the 2022 calender year, there were two occurrences of an air ambulance response due to no local coverage to Watson Lake.

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Question: With respect to Emergency Medical Services coverage, what is the total cost of sending paramedics by air from Whitehorse to substitute for volunteer coverage, and what is the number, broken down by community, of: (1) active volunteers; (2) hours in 2022 when there was a gap in local coverage by volunteers; and (3) calls in 2022 where paramedics from Whitehorse were dispatched by air to provide ambulance coverage?

