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Department of Renewable Resources
Parks and Protected Areas Branch
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To Whom It May Concern:


Re: Our comments concerning the Government of Yukon's Protected Areas Strategy

We will not be commenting specifically on individual aspects of the proposed protected areas plan. We simply wish to point out to the Parks Branch and Territorial Government that we oppose such a wide ranging plan that will remove large tracts of land for mineral exploration and other resource development. Your course of action will be an impediment for investment in an economic sector that is crucial for the future well being and prosperity of the Territory. Our work can be conducted in virtually every jurisdiction around the World and the message of excessive protectionism you are sending mining companies with this document will produce a negative climate in the Yukon Territory. The advantage in attracting investment, that the Yukon holds over other areas in Canada will quickly erode and I suspect will fall to the confidence level portrayed by the Province of British Columbia.

Your document fails to address another approach that we believe would better suit the economy of the Yukon. We would suggest that your department and government examine a multi-use approach to the wilderness lands of the Yukon that can benefit all of society.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important government document and please keep us posted on future changes in Yukon administrative policy.

Yours truly,
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