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REVIEW OF YUKON WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT MOVES INTO NEXT STAGES

WHITEHORSE – The panel conducting the review of the *Workers' Compensation Act* is inviting feedback on a paper outlining options for possible legislative changes to the Act.

The three person panel conducting the review has scheduled a series of public meetings in Whitehorse, Dawson, Watson Lake and Haines Junction, beginning in early March, to gather input from stakeholders and other interested parties.

Stakeholders and others are also being encouraged to make written submissions to the review panel. The deadline for receiving submissions is June 15, 2006.

After receiving the input of stakeholders and other interested parties, the review panel will further analyze the options and their implications and prepare recommendations for legislative changes for the Minister responsible for the Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board.

Hard copies of the discussions document are available for pickup at the main information desk in the Yukon government administration building located on Second Avenue in Whitehorse. Electronic copies are also available online at www.wcbactreview.gov.yk.ca.

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Attachment: Schedule for panel meetings

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ATTACHMENT: WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR PANEL MEETINGS

Workers' Compensation Act Review

Whitehorse meetings:

• Friday, March 10 Governance and Assessment Issues

• Friday, March 24 **Benefits Issues**

Friday, April 7
 Friday, April 21
 Appeals Process, Legal and Policy Issues (1-24)
 Appeals Process, Legal and Policy Issues (25-48)

Community meetings:

Dawson Monday, May 15
 Haines Junction Wednesday, May 17
 Watson Lake Friday, May 19

NOTE: Locations and times to be announced