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33rd YUKON GEOSCIENCE FORUM IN WHITEHORSE NOV. 20-23

WHITEHORSE – The latest in technology, exploration, reclamation and research for minerals, and oil and gas, will be showcased at the annual Yukon Geoscience Forum in Whitehorse from Nov. 20 - 23.

The forum is hosted by the Yukon Chamber of Mines. About 300 participants from across Canada attend the forum, including geologists, scientists, academics, service and supply companies, investors, prospectors, placer miners, various levels of government, mining and oil and gas companies.

“This is a very important event for the mining, oil and gas industries and the territory,” Yukon Chamber of Mines president Scott Casselman said. “With the high global demand for natural resources and rising commodity prices, exploration and pre-development activity continue to increase and we have every reason to believe that this trend will continue.”

“The Yukon government is a strong supporter of this event which highlights the work of Energy, Mines and Resources and its Yukon Geological Survey unit,” Minister Archie Lang said. “The Geological Survey unit plays a crucial role in the management and development of our resources by expanding the scientific and technical database on the geology of the territory’s mineral and hydrocarbon resources. This information is important for industry development, land use decision-making and wise-stewardship of our resources.”

The opening reception, trade show, technical talks, poster sessions, as well as the core shack and prospectors corner, will be located at the High Country Inn.

For more information or to register as a delegate, contact the Yukon Chamber of Mines or visit www.ycmines.ca.

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Attachment: Schedule of events

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ATTACHMENT – YUKON GEOSCIENCE FORUM SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

<i>Sunday - November 20, 2005</i>		
Registration / Tickets	High Country Inn Convention Center lobby	12:00 p.m. - 5:00 pm
Tour to Multi-Plex (transportation provided)	Multi-Plex - Top of two mile Hill	1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Workshop – Minerals Titles and E Business On Line Seminar	Westmark Whitehorse - Conf Rm #5	3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Trade Show / Poster Set-Up & Early Registration	High Country Inn Convention Center	12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Opening Reception	High Country Inn Convention Center	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Bowling	Mad Trappers Bowling Alley - Riverdale	9:30 p.m. - Midnight

<i>Monday - November 21, 2005</i>		
Registration / Tickets	High Country Inn Ballroom lobby	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Opening Remarks	High Country Inn Ballroom	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 am
Technical Talks: Overview	High Country Inn Ballroom	9:30 a.m. - Noon
Trade Show / Posters	High Country Inn Convention Center	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Beer & Sandwich Luncheon	High Country Inn Convention Center	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Technical Talks: Soft Rock, Hard Rock, Surficial	High Country Inn Ballroom	1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Poster Session Happy Hour	High Country Inn Convention Center	4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Banquet - Speaker Dr. Paul Hoffman, Harvard Univ.	Westmark Whitehorse	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Banquet – Minister Lang to present Robert E. Leckie Awards for outstanding reclamation	Westmark Whitehorse	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

<i>Tuesday - November 22, 2005</i>		
Registration / Tickets	High Country Inn Ballroom lobby	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Trade Show / Posters	High Country Inn Convention Center	10:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Technical Talks: Soft Rock, Hard Rock, Surficial	High Country Inn Ballroom	8:30 a.m. - Noon
Joint Chambers Luncheon - Speaker Jesse Duke Title: Developing Canada's North: A New Challenge	Westmark Whitehorse	Noon - 1:30 p.m.
Technical Talks: Soft Rock, Hard Rock, Surficial	High Country Inn Ballroom	1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Yukon Chamber of Mines Annual General Meeting	High Country Inn Ballroom	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

<i>Wednesday - November 23, 2005</i>		
Technical Talks: Soft Rock, Hard Rock, Surficial	High Country Inn Ballroom	8:30 a.m. - Noon
LUNCH Sponsored by Energy, Mines & Resources	High Country Inn Ballroom (see registration for complimentary ticket)	Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Workshop Final Reclamation Policy	High Country Inn Ballroom	1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.