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Honourable Ranjit Pillai
Minister of Energy Mines and Resources,
Yukon Government
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Whitehorse, Yukon
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Dear Minister Pillai:

Re: Regional Land Use Planning

The Yukon Land Use Planning Council seeks a meeting with you regarding regional planning in the Yukon. At the meeting we would like to discuss:

- The relationship the Council desires with Yukon Government;
- The implications of the recent Supreme Court of Canada's on the future of regional planning in the territory;
- Ideas the Council has for improving the process of regional planning in the territory. These improvements focus upon providing more support to the commissions to help reduce production times and costs;
- The reviews of *Chapter 11 Regional Land Use Planning* that are occurring in the next two years (the Action Plan associated with Yukon Forum, the 5-Year Review of the Amended UFA Implementation Plan and the 2019-2020 review of the adequacy of funding for Chapter 11).

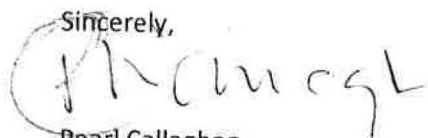
The Council is proposing hosting a workshop this spring entitled "*Regional Planning in the Yukon: The Peel Decision and Beyond*". This will be a great opportunity to discuss some of these topics with a broader audience, including Yukon First Nations. You will be invited to speak at the gathering. We look forward to working collaboratively with your staff and YFNs in building a meaningful workshop agenda.

In light of the Peel Supreme Court Case decision we look forward to the finalization of the Peel Watershed Regional Land Use Plan, its approval and also a restart to regional land use planning in the Yukon. We are cognizant that there are mounting land use pressures across Yukon and

hence a need to achieve progress in land use planning in a manner that is creative, cooperative and efficient.

As our Council is small, we purpose that all available members attend (likely Lois Craig and myself) plus our Director, Ron Cruikshank. It would be best if this meeting could take place before our final 2018-19 work plan budget submission, due February 15th.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "P. Callaghan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Pearl Callaghan,
Chair, YLUPC