



Office of the Premier
Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

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Dear DM Leary and DM White:

Thank you for your advice on how the Executive Council Office and Department of Finance will advance our new government's mandate.

Our mandate prioritizes reliable and affordable energy, improved access to frontline and primary health care, putting students at the centre of our education system, increasing housing availability and affordability, strengthening public safety, and enabling private-sector-led economic growth.

Responsibility for my departments will require decisions that balance our inherited financial pressures with our commitment to provide strong public services to Yukoners. It will require joint action, with other departments to advance their priorities. Working in partnership with Yukon First Nations, municipalities and other partners will also be central to achieving my mandate and delivering on our collective promise to Yukoners.

To balance this work, I will take a principled approach to decision-making and priority setting that considers:

- protecting frontline services that help Yukoners and keep our communities safe and healthy;
- respect for taxpayers and making sure there is value for money in government spending;
- partnership, collaboration, and respect; and
- responsible, disciplined decision-making that achieves continuous improvement for Yukoners.

These principles will ensure that fiscal responsibility is paired with a clear commitment to supporting the long-term wellbeing of Yukoners.

As the Minister of the Executive Council Office, I am directing your department to prioritize:

- advancing reconciliation;
- improving Crown consultation;
- modernizing the assessment process; and
- developing an intergovernmental relations framework.

As the Minister of Finance, I am directing your department to prioritize:

- responsibly managing Yukon government finances;
- engaging Canada to secure financing options to support urgent priorities;

- implementing a fall budgeting process for capital projects; and
- joining the International Fuel Tax Agreement.

Together, these priorities will help to advance our government's overarching mandate.

I look forward to working collaboratively with my Cabinet colleagues to reduce red tape, remove unnecessary regulations, and to break down organizational silos through the Department of Economic Development's Red Tape Reduction Framework.

By working together, we can ensure our resources and taxpayer dollars are going where they are needed most: to support Yukoners.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caird Dixon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and "D".

Premier Dixon

Mandate Implementation Plan

Department: Executive Council Office

Approved by: Premier Dixon

Date: February 27, 2026

Overview

- The Executive Council Office will provide strong, proactive leadership and thoughtful influence across government to advance the new mandate.

Top priorities

- **Advance reconciliation:** the department will provide central leadership, coordination, and strategic oversight of Indigenous relations and First Nations-related policy across government. This will ensure the Yukon government honours and implements modern treaties and Self-Government Agreements, and builds strong, respectful relationships with Yukon First Nations.
- **Improve Crown consultation:** the department will provide central leadership to improve the coordination, quality, and timeliness of Crown consultation related to assessment, permitting and major project approvals. This will ensure responsible development and economic opportunity can be assessed while fully implementing and respecting Yukon First Nations' Final Agreements and Self-Government Agreements.
- **Modernize the assessment process:** the department will empower Major Projects Yukon as the central authority on the assessment of major projects across government. This will involve building assessment capacity and delivering targeted reforms to modernize, streamline, and improve the predictability and effectiveness of major project assessment and decision-making.
- **Develop an intergovernmental relations framework:** the department will develop and implement an integrated, whole-of-government intergovernmental relations framework, supported by coordinated federal, multilateral, and Arctic strategies. This will ensure strategic coordination and alignment across departments focused on advancing the government's mandate.

Mandate Implementation Plan

Department: Department of Finance

Approved by: Premier Currie Dixon, Minister of Finance

Date: February 27, 2026

Overview

- The Department of Finance will responsibly manage the financial resources of the Government of Yukon to ensure value for money in the delivery of programs and services to Yukoners. The department will also provide corporate financial leadership and advice to departments across the organization on advancing the new mandate.

Top priorities

- **Responsibly manage Yukon government finances:** the department will provide corporate leadership to implement the government's mandate without exceeding Yukon's fiscal capacity. This will involve ensuring services are delivered in a manner consistent with value-for-money principles and helping departments identify efficiencies to implement new initiatives while properly resourcing core services.
- **Engage Canada to secure financing options to support urgent priorities:** the department will seek federal government support to develop financing options, such as increased borrowing authority and federal funding, to address critical energy and health infrastructure deficits.
- **Implement a Fall budgeting process for capital projects:** the department will present targeted capital budgets during the Fall Sitting to set priorities for the subsequent fiscal year. This will provide greater certainty to the construction sector, enable an earlier start to the construction season, accelerate project completion and reduce costs.
- **Join the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA):** the department will make amendments to the Fuel Oil Tax Act Regulation to enable the Yukon to join IFTA. Membership is expected to significantly reduce the administrative burden for both motor carriers and the government by streamlining reporting and licensing requirements.