FOCUS, PROGRESS, THE WAY FORWARD

Government of the Northwest Territories Updates to Northern Air Transport Association

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- Maximize Infrastructure Investment
- Embrace New Technologies
- Emergency Planning, Continuous Improvement and Community Capacity Building
- Advocate for Northern Regulatory Perspective
- Balance Stakeholder Needs
- All while met with hard choices about the way forward in the face of resources challenges



- TRACR II LTE
- NEW/IMPROVED INFRASTUCTURE
- UAV SURVEYS
- CTA PANEL RESULTS

TRACR LTE

- Completed 1 Year Pilot Project spring 2015;
- All 21 B&C airports now reporting via tablets;
- Replaced the traditional faxing to North Bay which results in timely dissemination (under one minute);
- The tablet also used to email Daily Physical Inspection to Airport Manager responsible for that airport;
- Maintainers have easily adapted and are pleased with the system;
- If Air Carriers choose to be on distribution list for any particular airport they can contact :
 - Alec Hanna @ alec_hanna@gov.nt.ca

SAMPLE SCREENSHOTS



32% Fort Resolution Airport : staff **Current Report** 12-30, Cleared Width 100', 100% Ice **Report Status** Report successfully processed by NAVCanada. OK Send **Review/Send**

























UAV

- Close coordination with Transport Canada (SFOC)
- Acquisition time and cost low
- Orthophoto and point cloud can be produced within two weeks
- Traditional acquisition of orthophoto and basic line work within one year
- Additional data detail available as needed
- Trees heights behind the tree line definable

Deline orthophoto & tree height analysis



Deline orthophoto ground objects



Trout Lake orthophoto with conventional survey points



Trout Lake project location



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Trout Lake additional contour data in project location



Trout Lake contour data close up



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Trout Lake trees beyond the tree line



ENCROACHMENTS

LEGEND:

APPROACH SLOPE TRANSITIONAL SLOPE OLS ACTUAL OLS -1m OLS -2m

Fort Providence UAV point data



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CTA PANEL RESULTS

- Special Northern focus, unique challenges of living and travelling to the north
- Recognition of the importance of airports to economic and resource development
- Unique challenges in regulatory environment for mandated safety and security measures
- Impact of climate change on infrastructure
- Targeted and sustained financial support

THE WAY FORWARD

- EMERGENY EXERCISES
- PROJECTS PLANNED AND IN PROGRESS
- YELLOWKNIFE AIRPORT
- DOT's STRATEGIC PLAN

EMERGENCY EXERCISES

• The Department of Transportation, with support from Municipal and Community Affairs' (MACA) has developed and implemented a new emergency exercise approach for small communities which provides critical community-based emergency response training followed immediately by a live exercise.

EMERGENCY EXERCISES

- The training consists of On-Scene Controller, triage, packaging and transport, all of which is tailored to meet the specific needs of our community responders.
- As of January 1st 2016, 14 communities and 157 people received the training including the basic first responder training
- This year's exercises in Inuvik, Norman Wells, Tuktoyaktuk, Ulukhaktok, Whatì will continue with this approach

CURRENT PROJECTS





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YELLOWKNIFE AIRPORT

- The Department recently undertook two studies
 - YZF Governance Review
 - YZF Economic Analysis
- Findings
 - 1000 people are directly employed by activity at the YZF
 - 2000 jobs in a number of sectors are supported by YZF.
 - The total economic impact, including supplier industries is \$171 million in direct GDP.
 - Activity at YZF contributes over \$45 million in various forms or taxes.
 - YZF improves connectivity to Canada and the world and acts as a catalyst to enhance business and tourism growth.

YELLOWKNIFE AIRPORT

- YZF must be positioned to respond to local economic needs and priorities resulting in
 - economic development,
 - increased responsiveness to customer service,
 - operational efficiencies,
 - timely infrastructure improvements and
 - the creation of a more predictable business environment for airlines and other airport users.
- Over the next 6 months, GNWT will continue to review opportunities for YZF to be more self-sustaining and self-directed

CONNECTING US

- In 2015 DOT released its Strategic Plan: Connecting Us
- Acknowledges the aged and underdeveloped system, the resources and natural pressures, regulatory regimes and the new technologies
- Lays out a framework to address our challenges, capitalize on our opportunities and embrace innovation

CONNECTING US

- Priorities will focus on
 - Continue maintaining and upgrading infrastructure
 - Secure long term funding to address needs
 - Promote and capture partnership opportunities
 - Advocate for improved transportation connection
 - Advocate for program and regulatory improvements that support Northern systems
 - Implement Climate Change Adaptation Plan

CONNECTING US

- Appreciate the input of our many transportation partners in the plan
- Good to see close linkages of our plan to the findings from the CTA Panel Review

QUESTIONS