

Modernizing the Land Titles System in Yukon



Over 100 years in Dawson City and Whitehorse.

Purpose of the Discussion Paper

Targeted consultation
Some background

Facilitate consultation
Elicit responses

Why we need to Modernize

- Expedited development and growth in Yukon.
 - Population: about 35,300 in 2011.
 - Land titles in Yukon cannot support the volume and complexity of real estate transactions.
 - Other jurisdictions: 1 - 2 two days to register.
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- Yukon: can take up to 9 weeks.

What Modernization Will Include

A client centered land titles system needs to have:

- ❖ legislation,
- ❖ computer platform,
- ❖ business practices.

How to transform our land titles system?

- ❖ review,
 - ❖ develop options,
 - ❖ seek new legislation and computer platform,
 - ❖ implement new systems.
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We need the expertise of stakeholders through
consultation.

We expect to engage specialized experts:

- academics for legal and governance models,**
- computer software experts,**
- a dedicated lawyer,**
- others as needed.**

Consultation process:

- web site**
- direct consultation**
- recommendations**
- Discussion document**
- reporting to stakeholders**

Some of the Themes to Consider:

Type of Registration System

+ Torrens

+ Modified Torrens

+ Registry

What model works best?

More assistance from LTO staff?

Governance Models

+ Land Titles Office

+ Crown corporation

+ Independent Corporation

**Which is the most economical? Practical?
A role for stakeholders in governance?**

Financing and Fee systems:

- + self funding

- + dividend to government

- + Yukon's fees extremely low

Should Yukon have a self funding model?

What is a reasonable fee for basic services?

Computer Platform and On Line Options:

- + services of IT consultants
- + what systems are out there

What services are priorities?

On line searches? On line registration?