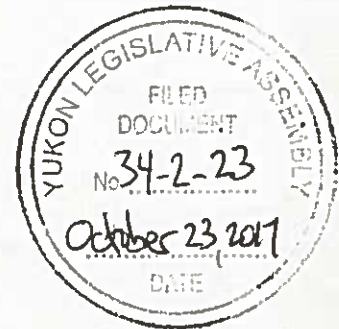




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Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6



August 10, 2017

Hon. Ranj Pillai
Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources
Box 2703
Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

Dear Minister Pillai,

RE: Public consultation on proposed changes to the Pounds Act and Highways Act

In July, a discussion document was posted on the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources website requesting public comments on proposed changes to the *Pounds Act* and the *Highways Act*. The deadline for public comment is currently the end of this week.

In my opinion, the timing of this public consultation period was poorly chosen, as most farmers and other livestock owners who might be affected by the proposed changes tend to be very busy during summer months. This public consultation was not announced with a news release, and has not been well advertised. In fact, most of the people I've shared the discussion document with have told me they had not previously known legislative changes were being considered.

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request an extension of the deadline for public input by at least one month, and to ask that more efforts be made to make Yukoners who may be affected by these proposed changes aware of the public consultation so they have a chance to provide their input.

Sincerely,

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MLA for Lake Laberge

Cc. Hon. Richard Mostyn, Minister of Highways and Public Works