

Motion

Sahtu Institute of Technology Planning Study

WHEREAS the Sahtu region has an employment rate of 55%;

AND WHEREAS approximately nine percent of the population of the Northwest Territories has less than a grade nine education, and 20% of the population has not obtained education beyond high school;

AND WHEREAS the Government of the Northwest Territories strongly supports a resident workforce in existing and future development;

AND WHEREAS there is a potential for major industrial development in the Sahtu that would result in a great demand for skilled workers;

AND WHEREAS there is an increasing demand for renewable energy development in every Sahtu community, creating a long-lasting demand for skilled workers, particularly amongst the local resident population;

AND WHEREAS resident workforce development has been identified as a key piece of Sahtu exploration readiness;

AND WHEREAS the pending Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk Highway and future infrastructure initiatives in the Northwest Territories will also create a demand for skilled workers;

AND WHEREAS there is a growing shortage of skilled labour nation-wide;

AND WHEREAS Aurora College, the Mine Training Society and partnerships with industry have provided successful opportunities for the development of the northern workforce;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the honourable Member for Yellowknife Centre, that the Government of the Northwest Territories conduct a planning study in the 2014-2015 fiscal year for a Sahtu Regional Institute of Technology;

AND FURTHER that the Government of the Northwest Territories provide a response to this motion within 120 days.



Date of Notice:	November 4, 2013	Moved by:	Mr. Yakeleya
Date of Introduction:	November 6, 2013	Seconded by:	Mr. Hawkins
Disposition:	Carried		
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