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Oral Question 139-18(3): Waste Resource Management Strategy

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised on February 21, 2018 regarding community consultation in the Sahtú region on the Waste Resource Management Strategy.

Engagement sessions for the development of the Waste Resource Management Strategy have been completed. These meetings took place in the following communities:

- Inuvik January 23, 2018
- Norman Wells January 25, 2018
- Fort Simpson January 31, 2018
- Yellowknife February 6, 2018
- Fort Smith February 8, 2018
- Hay River February 14, 2018

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) invited community governments and other key stakeholders to attend the daytime sessions while evening sessions were open to all members of the public. Communities were provided with reimbursements for travel, meals and accommodations to attend the engagement sessions.

Although no further engagement sessions are scheduled, feedback on the development of the Waste Resource Management Strategy can be provided via an on-line questionnaire located at: http://www.enr.gov.nt.ca/en/wastestrategy until March 15, 2018. Input from communities is very important to ENR and as a result, we will also be reaching out to communities who were not able to attend any of the regional meetings in early March to seek their input and encourage them to fill out the questionnaire.

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I trust this response addresses your question regarding the community consultation for the Waste Resource Management Strategy.

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