



Western Copper Corporation

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Carmacks Copper Project: Environmental and Socioeconomic Submission Accepted

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA – Western Copper Corp. (TSX: "WRN") ("Western") is pleased to announce that it has received formal notification from the Yukon Environmental and Socioeconomic Assessment Board that its Proposal for the Carmacks Copper Project has been deemed adequate and that screening of the Proposal will commence pursuant to the Yukon Environmental and Socioeconomic Assessment Act (YESAA).

Western also notes that the technical review of the project under the Yukon Environmental Assessment Act (YEAA) has been ongoing for 20 months and is approaching the final stages. A draft Comprehensive Study Report under YEAA is expected to be issued by the Yukon Government in early March this year.

Western anticipates that its extensive environmental assessment submissions and the reviews already performed under YEAA will help speed the screening of the project under YESAA.

On behalf of the board,

"Dale Corman"

F. Dale Corman
C.E.O. and Co-Chairman

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