AGRICULTURAL LAND APPLICATION

Important:

- Applications are not transferable.
- The Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, Agriculture Branch (EMR) has the mandate to dispose of Crown Lands (under the *Lands Act* Section 3.1 and the *Territorial Lands (Yukon) Act* Section 6).
- Acceptance of an application by the Agriculture Branch does not imply future tenure or guarantee that a land disposition interest will be granted. Applicants must show a detailed rationale for the disposition. Refer to Infosheet Agricultural Land Applications for more information. Agriculture legislation and policy are available on the Government of Yukon website at: Yukon.ca/apply-agriculture-land.

Stages for agricultural land application:

1) The Agriculture Branch does a preliminary screen of the application to determine the potential availability of the site. If the land is unencumbered by other uses the application is formally accepted and reviewed. You will be advised within 10 days of submitting this application if there are immediate obvious reasons why it cannot be accepted or if it will proceed to the next stage.

2) After the application is formally accepted, the applicant has 60 days to complete a detailed Farm Development Plan (FDP). The FDP is part of the application and applications can only proceed through the review process with an approved FDP. The FDP must specify approved agriculture developments equal to the appraised value of the value of the parcel. The Agriculture Branch has a schedule of approximate agriculture development costs to help you finalize your project. Your FDP will, if the application is approved and the parcel disposed, become part of the agreement for sale issued to you. Find the FDP at the Government of Yukon website at: Yukon.ca/farm-development-plan

3) The Agriculture Branch will make a site investigation to determine the soil capability and land suitability for agriculture of your application area.

4) Almost all agricultural land applications are subject to review under the Yukon *Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act (YESAA)*. Once you have a registered application, a heritage assessment, an approved FDP, and a soil capability report recommending that site conditions meet minimum arability, you complete a “Form 1” and submit the material to the appropriate designated office.

5) YESAA solicits information from government, First Nations, community agencies, and the general public. The designated office makes a recommendation to the Government of Yukon that a project should be allowed to proceed with appropriate mitigations or that it should not proceed. The Government of Yukon will accept, reject or vary the designated office recommendation.

6) After the Government of Yukon approves an agriculture land application, the Agriculture Branch authorizes you to apply to the subdivision approving authority for approval to legally survey the parcel.

7) Once the survey plan is registered at the Land Titles Office and the completion of a farm development agreement, the Agriculture Branch will be ready to grant an agreement for sale to the successful applicant.

Note: Ensure that the information you provide on this form is accurate and complete. Incomplete information may delay the processing of your application.

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Agreement for: ☐ Sale ☐ Lease

Applicant information

Applicant/corporate name					
Address			City/town	Terr./prov.	Postal code
Home phone	Business phone	Fax	Email		
Co-applicant name					
Address			City/town	Terr./prov.	Postal code
Home phone	Business phone	Fax	Email		

Tenants

If this application is being submitted by more than one individual, indicate desired form of tenure.

☐ Joint tenancy (upon the death of one, the whole share will pass to the other individual)

☐ Tenancy in common (upon the death of one individual, the deceased's share will pass to his or her estate)

Specify the share percentage: _____ /_____

Project location

General location of land application/project

The application area is located within the following First Nations traditional territories. Check all that apply.

☐ Carcross/Tagish First Nation	☐ Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation	☐ Teslin Tlingit Council
☐ Champagne and Aishihik First Nation	☐ First Nation of Nacho Nyäk Dun	☐ Tetlit Gwich'in Council
☐ Kluane First Nation	☐ Ross River Dena Council	☐ Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation
☐ Kwanlin Dün First Nation	☐ Selkirk First Nation	☐ Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation
☐ Liard First Nation	☐ Ta'an Kwächän Council	☐ White River First Nation

Latitude and longitude to second (GPS generated if possible)

Lat.: _____ Long.: _____

Name of nearest community	Distance to nearest community
Name of applicable community or local area plan	Plan designation
Name of applicable zoning regulation/municipal by-law	Zoning designation

Provide the following information:

1) **A location map** using a 1:30,000 or 1:50,000 map, or photocopy, indicating the location of the area applied for and the following:
   - map reference (e.g. 105D/11) and north arrow (if using photocopy);
   - map scale (if using photocopy);
   - approximate boundaries of area applied for;
   - kilometre of road, if applicable;
   - show access and designate as existing or proposed new access to area applied for;
   - nearby water bodies or water courses;
   - uses of adjacent land.

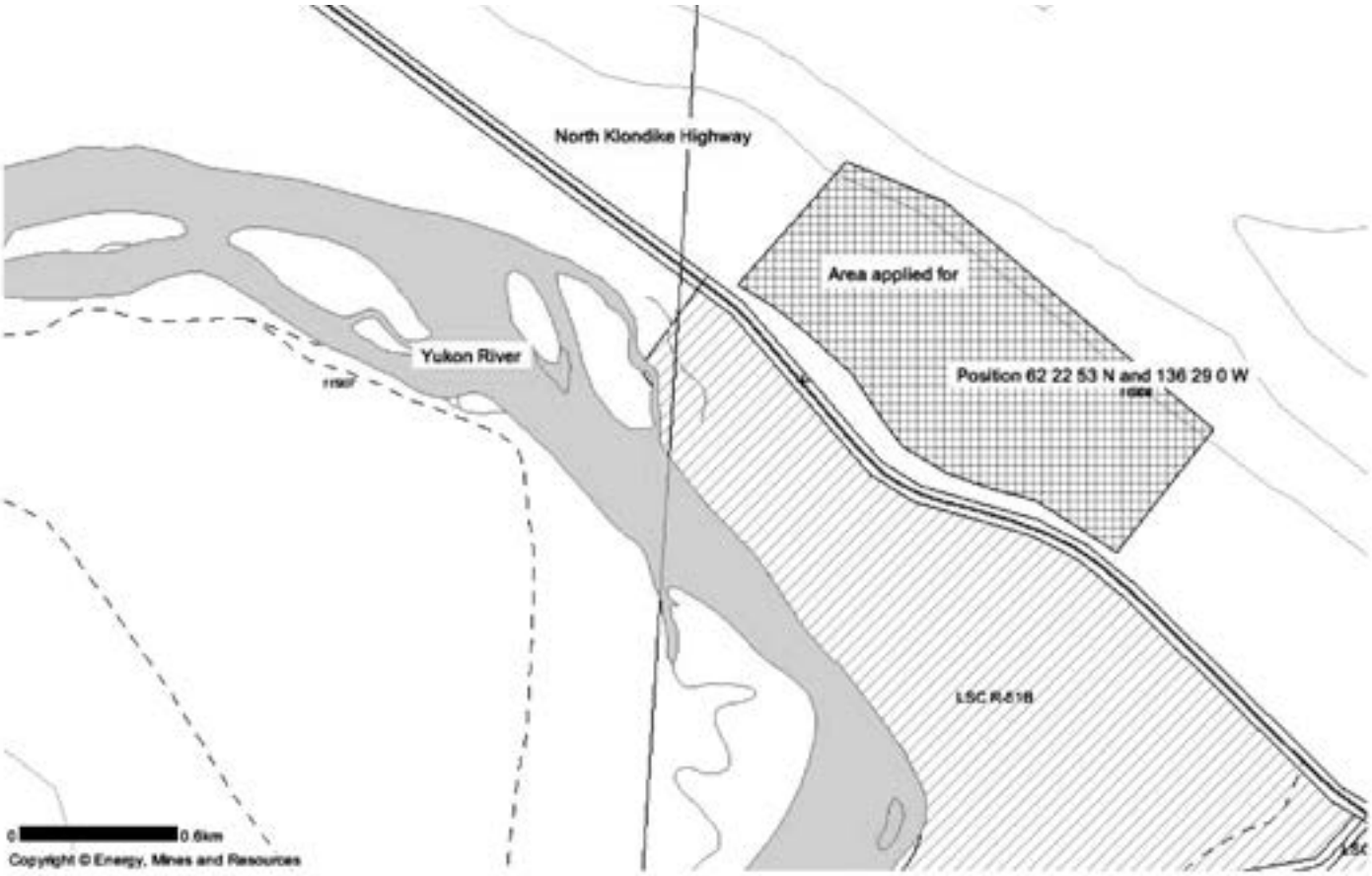
   The map should reference a point of commencement (distance and direction of the application from a known feature). Examples of a point of commencement include:
   - existing survey posts of other property in the area;
   - highway and utility line survey monuments;
   - the shoreline of water bodies; or,
   - a highway kilometre post.

   GPS co-ordinates for the parcel's corners are adequate for most location purposes.

2) Area boundaries

It is recommended that you contact the Agriculture Branch to discuss your application, area of interest and possible joint site visit to GPS the coordinates for sketch purposes prior to submitting your application to the Agriculture Branch.

Example:



Project details

Proposed agriculture endeavour and schedule of development

Describe the type of farm you plan to develop in general terms. A more detailed description will be required as part of your Farm Development Plan.

Water supply and waste disposal

Describe the source of domestic water supply.

Do you plan to irrigate? Source?

Will a septic system be installed at the site? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes: How will it be installed? _____

If no: How will sewage be disposed? _____

Have you contacted Environmental Health? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Describe the planned solid waste dispoal (garbage, etc.).

Note: Applicants may be required to determine soil percolation rates and to determine water table depth if this application proceeds. Inquires and information requests can be made of Environmetal Health.

Declaration

I/We declare that:

- I am/we are a Canadian citizen or a landed immigrant;
- I/we have resided in the Yukon for one continuous year prior to application;
- I am/we are 19 years of age or older;
- I/we have not sold land during the past year that was obtained from the Yukon government for agriculture purpose;
- I/we will remain residents of the Yukon during the life of any agriculture land agreement that may be granted;
- I/we will prepare and submit a farm development plan acceptable to the Yukon Government within 60 days of the date of this application;
- I/we hereby acknowledge and confirm that the filing of this application does not grant me any rights to occupy or use the land for which I have applied prior to approval and completion of the conditions attached to the disposition.
- I/we certify that all the submitted information is true and correct, to the best of my / our knowledge and belief.
- I/we understand that signing a false declaration will invalidate this application.
- I/we have read all of the information contained in this application or have had it explained by a third party and fully understand it.

Signature of applicant: _____ Co-applicant: _____

Terms and conditions

Personal information: Collection of this information is authorized by *the Lands Act and the Territorial Lands (Yukon) Act* and by subsection 15(c)(i) of the *Access to Information and Privacy Act* for the purpose of assessing the application for agriculture land . For more information contact the Agricultural Development Officer at the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, Agriculture Branch at 867-667-5838.

Contact

Agriculture Branch, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources
Phone: 867-667-5838 or toll free: 1-800-661-0408 (ask to be transferred)
Fax: 867-393-6222
Email: agriculture-livestock@yukon.ca
Website: Yukon.ca/apply-agriculture-land
Mail: PO Box 2703 (K-320A) Whitehorse, YT Y1A 2C6
Location: 300 Main Street, Suite 320, Elijah Smith Building, Whitehorse

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Application date	Application time	Initials of Agricultural Land coordinator
Application number	File number	NTS quad

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