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Joint Message: Travelers and Visitors during the COVID-19 Pandemic

As COVID-19 pandemic measures gradually lessen, the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) and Village of Haines Junction welcome Yukoners passing through our communities and Traditional Territory this summer. But, with increased risk and impacts due to increased travel, we ask that you respect our people and lands by coming prepared, passing through safely and leaving no trace.

Please follow all health orders and precautions by the governments of Yukon and Canada, including Yukon's Six Steps to Stay Safe. These are key to keeping you and our community members safe!

1. Maintain physical distancing of 2 metres (6 feet) from others;
2. Wash your hands regularly;
3. Stay home if you are sick;
4. Do not gather in groups of more than 10;
5. Limit travel to remote communities; and
6. Self-isolate when required, before you visit us.

When visiting our local businesses:

- Please respect and abide by all safety guidelines of that business;
- Respect the 2 metre safe personal space of all other patrons;
- Do not make extra unnecessary stops in our community;
- Do not linger and visit outside businesses or in public spaces.

Please DO NOT:

- Explore or tour our neighborhoods and private residences;
- Visit or stay at any facility that is closed;
- Leave behind garbage, waste, sewage, etc on our lands.

To other travelers passing through (people from outside the territory allowed to travel through the Yukon):

- Please abide by the 24-hour limit ordered by the Government of Yukon.

- Please stay on the route directed by the Government of Yukon.
- Please adhere to all other federal and Yukon orders and measures.
- Respect all guidance listed here.
- *We hope you'll visit us again when the risk of COVID-19 is no longer present.*

We ask all community members who live in the CAFN Traditional Territory, including the Dakwäkäda/Haines Junction area, to safely welcome visitors and other Yukoners as COVID-19 restrictions lessen, BUT to remain vigilant with COVID-19 safety practices. Keep up the Six Steps to Staying Safe with anyone outside your household bubble. Support our local businesses, but be cautious in public spaces and at businesses along the highway corridor (such as campgrounds, gas stations and convenience stores). Please stay safe and ensure you do not expose yourself, your family, or our community to possible infection from people traveling through or visiting our communities. And be a safe and respectful visitor if you are traveling to another Yukon community this summer.

We appreciate your cooperation in this very serious matter.

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Thank you.



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