



Who we are

The mandate of the Yukon Heritage Resources Board (YHRB) is to provide advice to governments on issues that affect the territory's heritage resources. Board members work with a variety of groups and individuals across the territory and nationally to fulfil this mandate. YHRB supports a broad view of heritage that encompasses not only objects, artifacts and buildings, but also trails and routes, oral and written history, and languages.

The board's ten members serve three-year terms. The Council of Yukon First Nations nominates five appointees and Government of Yukon nominates five, one of whom is chosen with the concurrence of the government of Canada. Appointments are made by the Yukon Minister of Tourism and Culture.

Above: Beaded mooseskin bookmark from the Adaka conference organized by YHRB in 1999. YHRB photo
Right: Beads, n.d. Yukon government photo



What we do

The Board has an advisory mandate under the terms of Yukon's *Historic Resources Act*. Additional duties and responsibilities are outlined in Chapter 13 of the Yukon First Nations Final Agreements, under which the Board may make recommendations to the Ministers responsible for heritage and to Yukon First Nations regarding the management of Moveable Heritage Resources and Heritage Sites.



The Yukon Saw Mill Company Office in Dawson City was designated as a Yukon Historic Site in 2005. Yukon government photo



Left: Landscape sites, along with built, archaeological and palaeontological sites, can be nominated as historic sites. Yukon government photo
Far left/front: Wheeled cart at Fort Selkirk. Yukon government photo

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The Taylor House was built in 1937 and was designated a Municipal Historic Site in 2002. It is currently the office of the YHRB.

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Herschel Island schooner, 2007.
 Yukon government photo



Board activities

YHRB may make recommendations in several areas, including fostering public awareness and appreciation of Heritage Resources and Sites; and use of the Yukon Historic Resources Fund. They also make recommendations on regulations related to heritage legislation; policies, guidelines, and standards for the care and custody of historic objects; the



incorporation of Yukon First Nations traditional knowledge; development and revision of a strategic plan for the preservation of Moveable Heritage Resources and Heritage Sites in the Yukon; and recording and preservation of the traditional languages of Yukon First Nations.

Above: Toboggan from Tatlain Lake.
 Yukon government photo

Yukon Historic Sites

The recognition and protection of Yukon's historic sites is provided for under the *Historic Resources Act* and the Umbrella Final Agreement. Anyone in the Yukon can nominate a site for designation under the *Act*. Designation is meant for sites that are important to the history of



L-r: Board member Anne Leckie, Tourism and Culture Minister Elaine Taylor, Chief Simon Mervyn of the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun and Mayo Councillor Trevor Ellis at a ceremony designating the Mayo Legion Hall as a Yukon Historic Site in August, 2007.
 Yukon government photo



The Caribou Hotel in Carcross was designated as a Yukon Historic Site in 2008.
 Yukon government photo

View of Whitehorse, circa 1900.
 Yukon Archives, Anton Vogee fonds #263

