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Oral Question 419-18(2): Sahtu Winter Road Construction and Maintenance

This letter is to provide additional information to the Oral Question raised on Friday, October 28, 2016 regarding the construction and maintenance of the Sahtu winter road.

The Mackenzie Valley winter road is an essential piece of seasonal infrastructure required to meet the transportation needs of industry and residents. Since 2014/15, the Department of Transportation (DOT) has received funding of \$175,000 to hire two casual Highway Maintenance Supervisors and two casual Highway Transport Officers to assist in operating and maintaining the winter road inspection program toward the highest standard.

I can confirm that the Department of Transportation has two vehicles prepared with the necessary communication and emergency equipment required to patrol the winter road safely and efficiently. These government-owned vehicles follow a strict preventative maintenance schedule to ensure reliability throughout the winter road season.

Thank you for your continued interest in the transportation-related initiatives.

Thank you.

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Minister of Transportation

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