



Special Announcement

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New Minister of Highways and Public Works – Government of Yukon

Premier Darrell Pasloski shuffled the Yukon cabinet last Friday and appointed Hon. Scott Kent Minister of Highways and Public Works. Minister Kent retains the Energy, Mines and Resources portfolio, a post he has held since 2013.

Hon. Wade Istchenko moves to the Ministry of Environment.

WESTAC congratulates Minister Kent and looks forward to working with him and the Yukon Government.

For more information:

<http://www.gov.yk.ca/news/15-019.html> - .VL6fqcZzOog

Hon. Scott Kent Biography

Scott Kent was most recently elected to the Yukon Legislative Assembly in the general election of October 11, 2011. He was sworn into Cabinet on November 5th of that year as Minister of Education, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation, Yukon Liquor Corporation and Yukon Lotteries Commission. On August 5, 2013 Mr. Kent was given his new portfolio of Energy, Mines and Resources as well as responsibility for the Yukon Development Corporation and Yukon Energy Corporation.

Mr. Kent was first elected to the Yukon Legislative Assembly on April 17, 2000 and represented the electoral district of Riverside from 2000 to 2002. During that time, he served as Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole and was appointed to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges. On June 12, 2001, Mr. Kent was appointed to Cabinet as Minister of Economic Development, later acquiring responsibility for the Department of Infrastructure, the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, and the Yukon Development Corporation/Yukon Energy Corporation. He was also the Minister responsible for Youth.

Born in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, Mr. Kent moved with his family to Yukon in 1973. He attended elementary, junior high and high school in Whitehorse, graduating from FH Collins Secondary School in 1986. Four generations of the Kent family make their home in Whitehorse. Mr. Kent spent a number of years working in a family-owned business, followed by work for a number of Yukon organizations, including the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic

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Assessment Board, Yukon Chamber of Mines, Klondike Placer Miners' Association, Yukon Gold Mining Alliance, Canadian Cancer Society and Yukon Hospital Foundation.

He has volunteered for a number of causes throughout the community, including the Whitehorse Lions Club, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Canadian Cancer Society, Yukon Broomball Association and Whitehorse Flag Football League.

Mr. Kent, his wife Amanda and their young son live in Whitehorse.