



## MEDIA ADVISORY

### SCHOOL COUNCIL BY- ELECTION UNDERWAY - WHISTLE BEND ELEMENTARY CANDIDATE NOMINATION PERIOD NOW OPEN - MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022

A by-election to elect five members of the school council for Whistle Bend Elementary School in Whitehorse is now underway.

School board elections for the First Nation School Board and Commission scolaire francophone du Yukon are also being held over the same time period under different processes and locations.

**Key Dates:** There are five key dates for electors and candidates:

- **Monday, October 17: Notice of Nominations**

Nomination forms are available online at [electionsyukon.ca](http://electionsyukon.ca), from Elections Yukon, or from the returning officer. Early submission is encouraged.

- **Thursday, October 27, at noon: Close of Nominations.**

To be a candidate, nomination papers of candidates must be submitted by 12:00 noon. If the number of candidates for the members of a school council do not exceed the number to be elected, the returning officer declares the persons nominated to be elected by acclamation.

- **Friday, October 28 – Monday November 7: Voting Period:**

Voting options include mail-in ballots (application to Elections Yukon and ballot to be mailed out on Oct 28 if poll to be held) and voting in-person at Elections Yukon (business days between 10-AM and 4 PM).

- **Saturday November 5 – Early Voting – 11 AM – 4 PM**

In person voting is available at Porter Creek Secondary School.

- **Monday Nov 7: Polling Day 3 PM – 8 PM**

In person voting is available at Porter Creek Secondary School and at Elections Yukon.

**Public Town Halls (Zoom):** Public forums via Zoom to provide school election information to potential candidates and electors will be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, October 20: 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
- Tuesday, October 25: 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
- Thursday, November 3: 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

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**Eligibility:** To be eligible to be a candidate or to vote in either school board elections, electors must be:

- a Canadian citizen, and
- at least 18 years of age as of November 7, 2022 (polling day); and
- a resident of the attendance area of Whistle Bend Elementary School (map attached) for at least three months as of polling day.)

**Quote:** Maxwell Harvey, Chief Electoral Officer: “Whistle Bend Elementary School is expected to be completed in late 2023. The by-election for the inaugural team of members of their council is being held prior to its opening in order to support its establishment and readiness.

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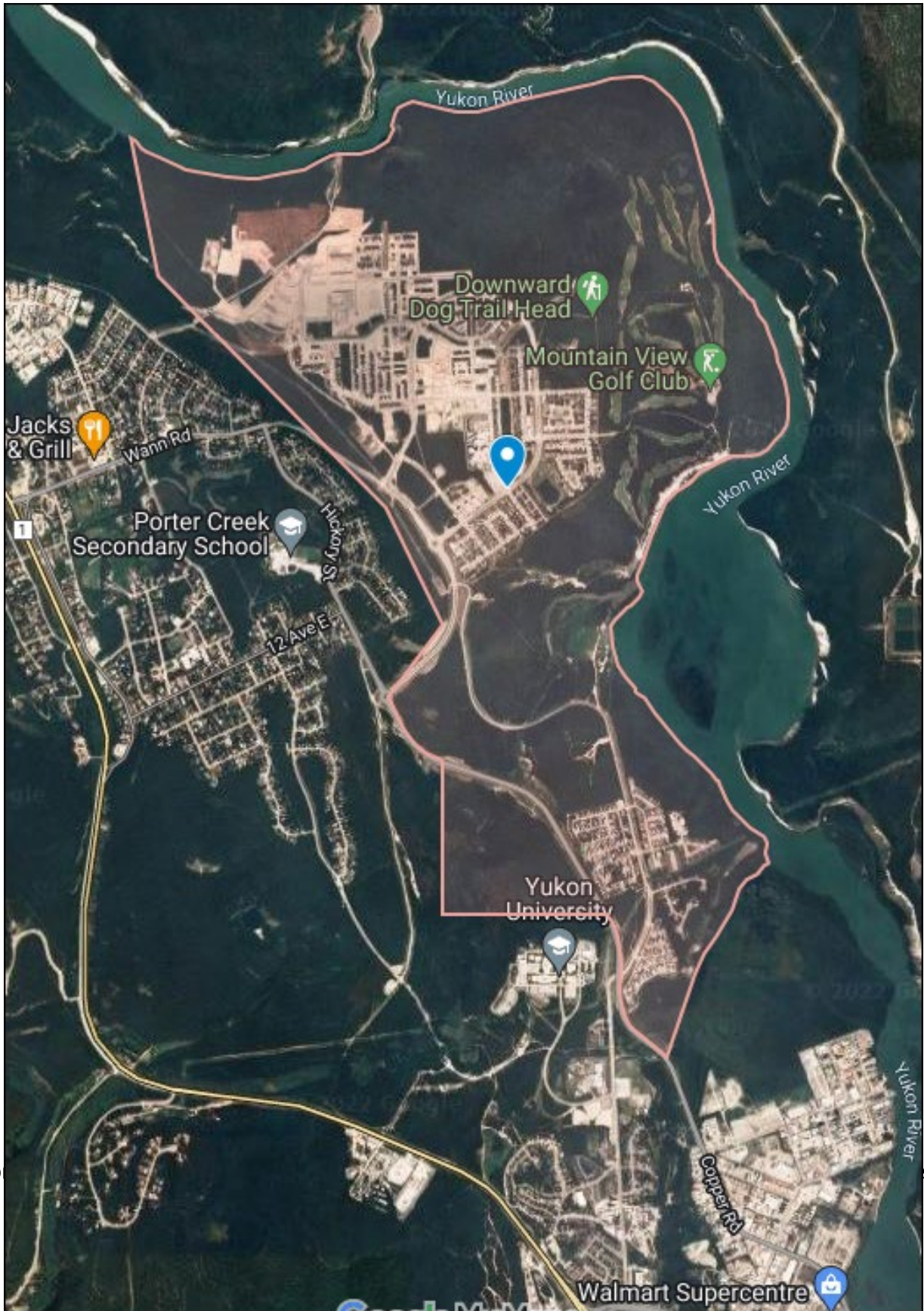
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