

JANUARY 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

Yukon

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19

Nov 24: Yukoners ages 12 and older are now eligible for another COVID booster, regardless of how many boosters they've already received. The government also began offering free monkeypox vaccinations at the Whitehorse, Dawson City and Watson Lake Health Centres.

Environmental

Jan 27: That's the deadline [to comment](#) on Yukon's [proposal](#) to reform its current recycling system by, among other things, establishing the concept of extended producer responsibility making producers that sell and package products responsible for their recycling and disposal.

Environmental

Nov 16: Royal Assent for the *Clean Energy Act* ([Bill 17](#)), which establishes targets toward reaching net zero emissions in Yukon by 2050, as well as a 2030 interim reduction target for total greenhouse gas emissions (other than mining). It also requires the government to report on greenhouse gas emissions and progress made toward reaching reductions targets.

Environmental

Jan 1: Yukon's ban on single use paper bags in retail settings officially takes effect. Exemptions apply to bags for prescriptions, take-out food, bulk items (food or hardware like nails and bolts), produce, live fish, flowers or potted plants and tires.