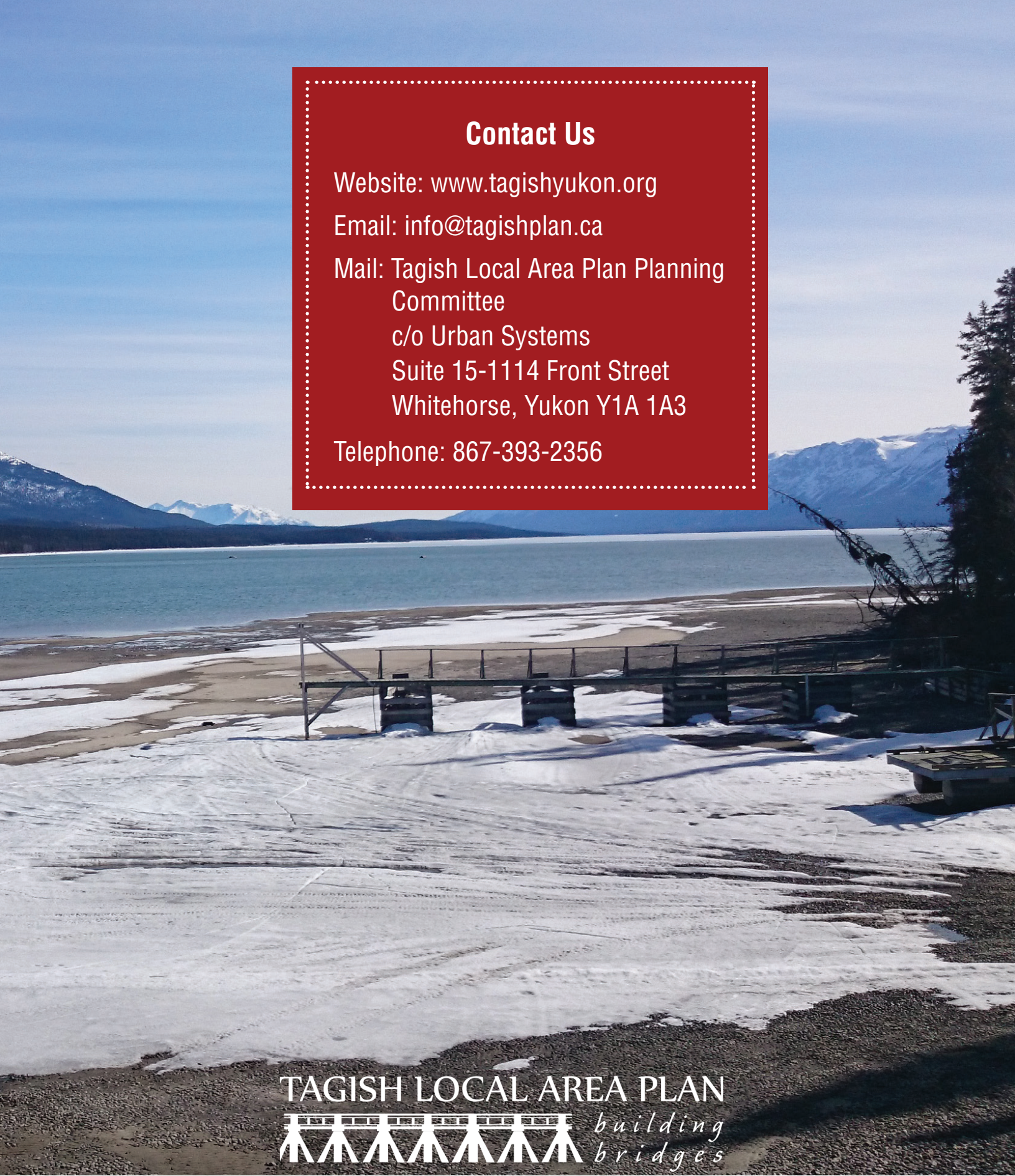
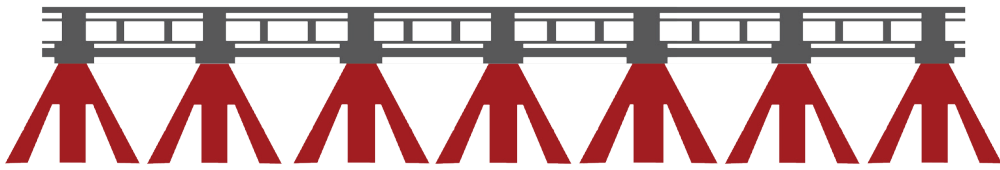


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# TAGISH LOCAL AREA PLAN



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At its simplest, land use planning is about making good decisions, both in the present and future. A Local Area Plan (LAP) is a land use plan that sets out what land uses are appropriate, and where, for unincorporated communities in the Yukon. Community needs, values and interests are the cornerstone of a LAP: that's why your involvement in the Tagish Local Area Plan is so important to us.



## What Will a Local Area Plan Achieve?

Some of the objectives for completing the LAP include:

- Promoting coordinated land use on Yukon, Carcross/Tagish First Nation and private lands;
- Minimizing actual or potential land use conflicts;
- Achieving safe, healthy and orderly development and use of land; and,
- Maintaining and improving the quality of both the built and natural environments.

The LAP will lay the foundation for detailed zoning regulations that prescribe what activities can and can't take place in certain areas of Tagish. The plan will also set direction and priorities on a range of land use-related issues. Other LAPs (see inset at right) have focused on such topics as trail use, heritage conservation, environmental stewardship, and commercial development. What will Tagish's issues and priorities be?

### Other LAPs in Yukon

LAPs have been developed for a number of unincorporated areas across Yukon, including Carcross. Currently planning processes are underway for Marsh Lake and Fox Lake. For an idea of what the final Tagish LAP may look like go to:

[www.emr.gov.yk.ca/lands/local\\_area\\_plans.html](http://www.emr.gov.yk.ca/lands/local_area_plans.html)



## The Planning Process At a Glance

The Tagish Local Area Planning process is split into four distinct phases taking place from Spring 2015 to Fall 2016. Each phase is designed to build on the previous one and provides opportunities for the community of Tagish and Carcross/Tagish First Nation (C/TFN) citizens to get involved. Meetings will be held in Tagish and Carcross, with one meeting in Whitehorse (during winter).



## Have Your Say in Tagish's Future

Without the people, there simply is no plan. We hope to hear from you throughout the process to ensure that the final plan reflects the views of the Tagish community. Here are a few opportunities for you to get involved in the weeks ahead:

### COMMUNITY LUNCH N' PLAN

**TAGISH COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AT 11:30 A.M.**

This event will bring the community together to talk about the community's present and future. Members of the Planning Committee will be in attendance. All are welcome!

### CARCROSS LUNCH N' PLAN

**CARCROSS TAGISH GOV. OFFICE**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 11:30 A.M.**

This event is for C/TFN citizens to break bread and talk about Tagish's present and future. Members of the Planning Committee will be in attendance to hear directly from YOU. All are welcome!

### COMMUNITY SURVEY

**MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> – JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> 2015**

This survey will capture information about the Tagish community and its key values. The survey can be found at: [www.fluidsurveys.com/s/tagish](http://www.fluidsurveys.com/s/tagish). Paper copies will be available at the meetings.

### TAGISH PLANNING WEEK

**JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> – JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> 2015**

The Planning Team is organizing a full week of activities designed to reach out to Tagish residents, property owners and C/TFN citizens. Keep an eye out for us and the Tagish PlanMobile!

### Why a Plan Now and Who Is Involved?

The governments of Yukon and C/TFN committed to jointly completing a Local Area Plan for Tagish in C/TFN's Self-Government Agreement. The process will be guided by a Planning Committee and directly undertaken by a Planning Team led by Whitehorse-based planning firm Urban Systems. Both governments will be responsible for approving the final plan.

The six person Planning Committee consists of three appointees from each government. The members are Martin Allen, Paul Dabbs, Vicki Hancock, Bill Barrett Sr., Patrick James, and Adam Winters.

