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# Slave Geological Province Access Corridor



The Slave Geological Province Access Corridor will support road access, hydro transmission lines and communications infrastructure into areas of significant mineral potential.

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## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- The Slave Geological Province Access Corridor would serve as an important transportation, hydro, and communications corridor, while connecting the region and its vast mineral deposits to points south and ultimately to a deep-water port in Nunavut.
- An all-weather road would adapt to the increasing challenges of climate change by replacing winter roads with more reliable access.
- Improved access would reduce operating costs for existing mines, and facilitate resource exploration and development activities.
- All-weather access would support a green economy by enabling development of the Taltson Hydro Expansion and Transmission Line project. It would also enable the extraction of base and precious metals required for low-carbon technologies.

## CURRENT STATUS

- A corridor providing the greatest economic benefit has been identified, based on the results of mineral potential and routing options studies and analysis, and a financing business case analysis is underway.
- An initial project submission under Transport Canada's National Trade Corridors Fund was not accepted. The Government of the Northwest Territories intends to resubmit the project under a Northern-specific call for proposals under the program in late 2018.
- Five development phases have been identified:
  1. Environmental and Planning Studies
  2. Replacement of the Frank Channel Bridge
  3. Highway 4 to Lockhart Lake
  4. Lockhart to Lac de Gras (diamond mines)
  5. Lac de Gras (diamond mines) to the NWT/Nunavut border
- Next steps include engaging with Indigenous governments, NWT residents, and other stakeholders, completing a business case and further planning.

