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ON BEHALF OF MINISTER DIANE ARCHIE

MLA Nokleby,

A Request for Tenders (RFT) for construction of Phase 1, the first 6.7 kilometres of the Prohibition Creek Access Road (PCAR) was issued in October 2021. HRN Contracting Ltd., was the only business to bid through this competitive process. HRN's bid significantly exceeded the budget available and that RFT was cancelled.

HRN, in a follow-up letter to the Department in February 2022, requested to enter into negotiations for the contract of PCAR Phase 1 construction, with the same scope of work which was tendered previously. The request included a letter of support from MLA Chinna.

INF has applied for additional financial support from Infrastructure Canada (INFC) for the construction of PCAR Phase 1. Pending INFC approval, the GNWT intends to enter into contract negotiations with HRN Ltd., for the work in accordance with the *Negotiated Contracts Policy*, and to advance PCAR Phase 1 to construction as soon as practicable.

HRN Contracting Ltd. is a Sahtu beneficiary-owned northern company, and a negotiated contract will enable PCAR Phase 1 construction to support a northern business to develop capacity, training, experience and to support local employment opportunities.

Minister Archie