# Pan-Territorial Adaptation Partnership



### Changes to our Environment









#### Changing:

- Ice conditions
- Wildlife patterns
- Coastal erosion
- Waterways
- Extreme weather events







### Climate Change Impacts











### General Impacts on the North:

- Transportation
- Traditional activities
- Coastal communities
- Food security







### Northern Challenges



### PAN-TERRITORIAL ISSUES:

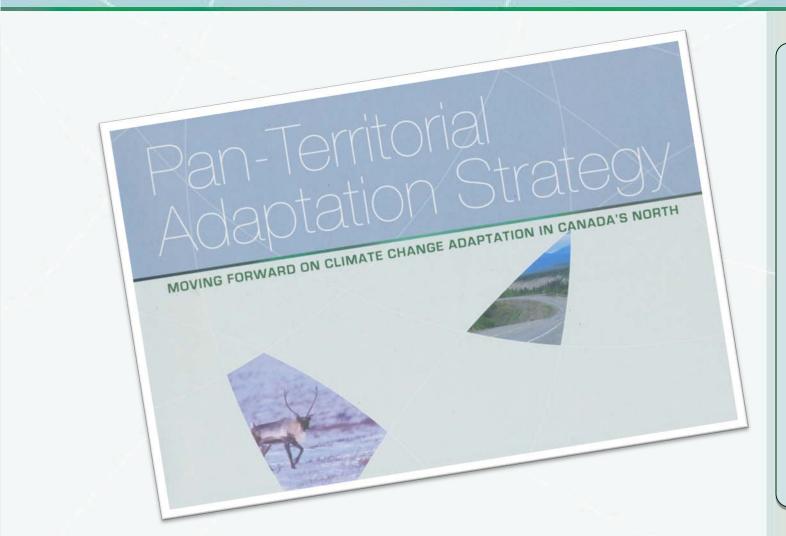
- Limited financial capacity
- Prioritization of issues
- Human capacity
- Risk identification
- Logistics with northern isolation
- Limited baseline data







### Pan Territorial Adaptation Strategy



#### Collective Action:

- Released in 2011
- Sharing best practices
- Protecting communities from climate change risks







### Pan-Territorial Activities

### Yellowknife NWT Nov 5-7 2013







#### PAN-TERRITORIAL PERMAFROST WORKSHOP

BUILDING KNOWLEDGE TO SUPPORT EVERYDAY DECISIONS IN A CHANGING NORTH

With funding assistance from the AANDC Climate Change Adaptation Program

Hosted by:







Moving Forward on Climate Change Adaptation in Canada's North

#### Pan-Terr. **Permafrost Workshop** (2013):

- Bringing regional stakeholders together
- Discussing climate change impact on permafrost







### Pan-Territorial Activities



## Pan-Terr. Information Notes Share Information &

Across
 Canada's North

Project Ideas:

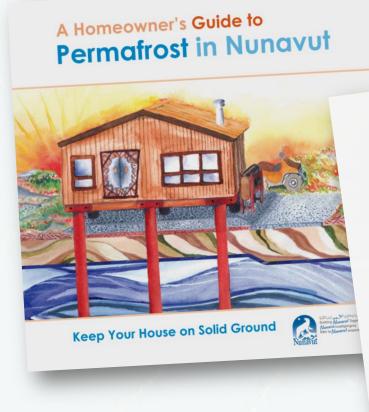
- Permafrost projects
- With community stakeholders and decision makers

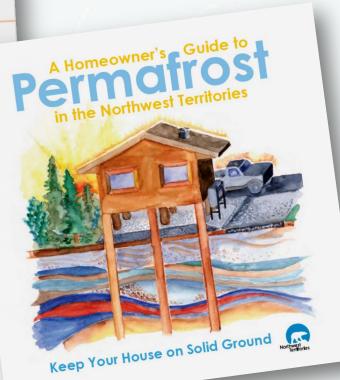






### Pan-Territorial Activities





## Homeowner Guides to Permafrost in NWT & NU:

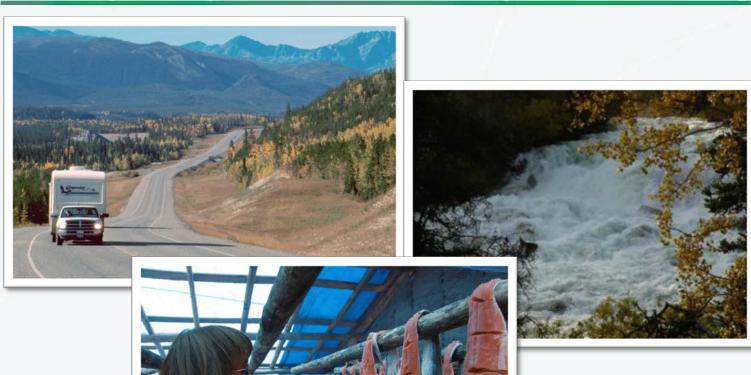
- Plain language permafrost information
- Potential Impacts on homes
- Useful tips for homeowners







### Yukon Activities



#### **Partnerships**

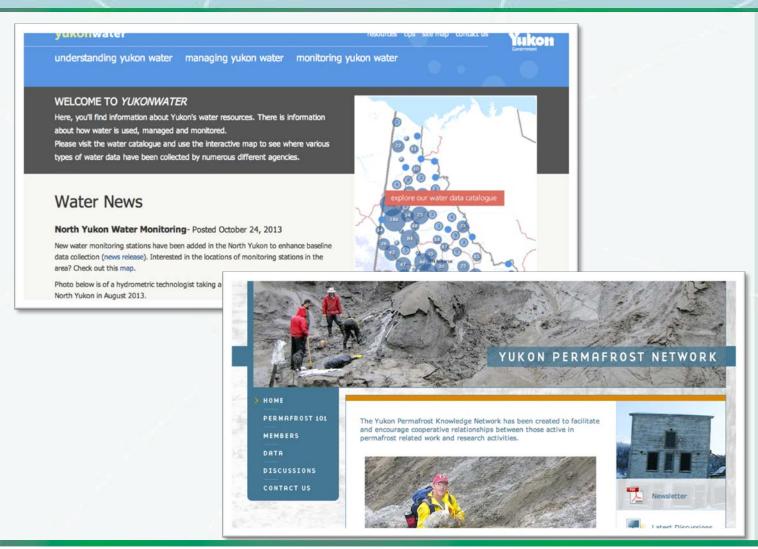
- •AANDC
- •YC3, Health Canada and Public Health Agency of Canada
- •And many others







### Yukon Activities



### Knowledge Sharing

- PermafrostNetwork
- Yukonwater.ca
- •Arctic Council Portal









- Climate change and permafrost thaw are part of GNWT Departments day to day operations
- MACA,
   Housing
   Corporation,
   Transportation,
   Public Works
   and Services,
   ENR, ECE







#### Flat Loop Thermosyphon Foundations in Warm Permafrost

Prepared for Government of the NT Asset Management Division Public Works and Services

and

Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment Canadian Council of Professional Engineers



prepared by: Igor Holubec, Ph.D., P.Eng I. Holubec Consulting Inc.

Canada

March 2008





GEOTECHNICAL SITE INVESTIGATION
GUIDELINES
FOR BUILDING FOUNDATIONS
IN PERMAFROST



#### Prepared for:

Department of Public Works and Services Government of the Northwest Territories

> I. Holubec Consulting Inc. January 2010

#### **Best Practices**

- For construction and maintaining buildings
- Good Building Practices Handbook, Monitoring temperatures & thermosyphons
- •NISI (also DOT, MACA, ENR)
- Tool assessing building foundations risk assessment (AANDC)









#### **Transportation**

- 1.85 million research Building Canada
- Adaptation
   Plan
- Risk assessment infrastructure
- Network of Expertise Permafrost
- Corridors for Canada III – 600 million infrastructure







### Northwest Territories Geoscience Office Industry Tourism and Investment



#### Permafrost Science

- Permafrost Scientist
- Permafrost Slumping
- Mapping Slumping
- Advice to GNWT departments







- Terrain Mapping Slump Prediction to identify cultural sites at risk
- (Education Culture and Employment, PW NHS)
- Municipal Waste Risk Assessment (ENR)
- Territorial Hazard Assessment Emergency Planning
- (MACA)
- Permafrost Mapping (Centre for Geomatics)
- Coastal Erosion (Centre for Geomatics)

#### **ENR:**

Coordinates adaptation & projects for good of all departments:

- downscaling
- framework
- website
- AANDC partnership









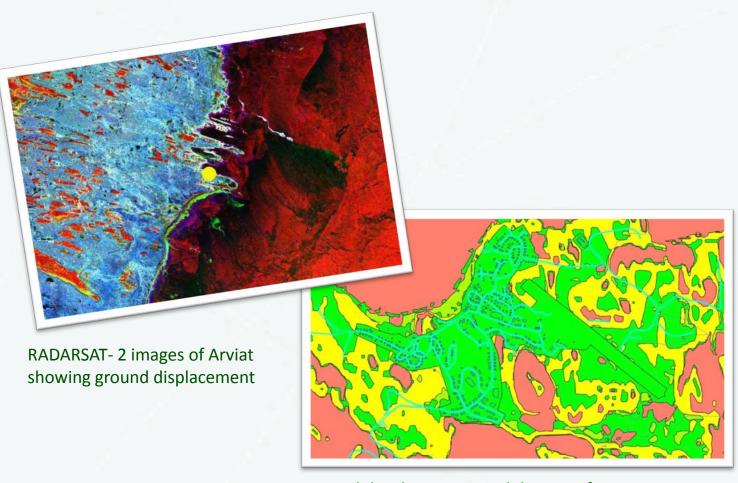
### Adaptation Action Plan:

- Mainstreaming climate change adaptation into all GN activities
- Multipartnered projects
- Released
   March, 2014









#### Initial development suitability map for Cape Dorset

#### Hazard Mapping:

- Mainstreaming climate change adaptation
- Multipartnered projects
- Building off past community mapping work
- Eight communities selected for this phase









### Mining and Permafrost in Nunavut:

- Assessed the risks of climate change to Nunavut's mining sector
- Documented existing best practices for coastal infrastructure and tailings management facilities
- Integrated into future mining design
- Transferrable to similar community-based infrastructure (i.e. roads and ports)















### Looking to the Future



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MOVING FORWARD ON CLIMATE CHANGE IN CANADA'S NORTH

#### **NEWS & UPDATES**



NEW PAN-TERRITORIAI. ADAPTATION WEBSITE COMING SOON

OCTOBER 30, 2013

The Pan-Territorial Adaptation Partnership (PTAP) is excited to announce that we will



PAN-TERRITORIAL PERMAFROST Permafrost Workshop WORKSHOP 2013
November 2013

PTAP is pleased to bring together Northern practitioners decision-makers and

#### PERMAFROST WORKSHOPS





#### THANKS FROM GOVERNMENT

The Governments of Nunavut, Northwest Territories and Yukon would like to thank all participants of the Pan-Territorial Permafrost Workshop. The workshop identified challenges associated with building on







### Thank You



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