

Yukon Government Awards Construction Contract for Casino Access Road

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VANCOUVER, Nov. 9, 2021 - [Western Copper and Gold Corp.](#) ("Western" or the "Company") (TSX: WRN) (NYSE American: WRN) is pleased to announce that the Yukon Government has awarded Yukon based company Pelly Construction the contract for the Carmacks Bypass Project, the first section of the Casino Project access road and a \$29.6 million investment.

The Carmacks Bypass is expected to be completed in 2024 and will allow industrial vehicles to bypass the Village of Carmacks, reducing heavy traffic, improving community safety, and improving access to mineral exploration and development activities in the area. It will also benefit the Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation with contracting, education and training benefits associated with the project.

Dr. Paul West-Sells, Western's CEO, stated, "The awarded contract to begin construction on the Carmacks Bypass is an important step to advancing the Casino Project. Construction of the road will provide jobs and business opportunities in the short term and by advancing the Casino Project, significant potential future benefit to communities and First Nations in the Yukon."

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[Western Copper and Gold Corp.](#) is developing the Casino Project, Canada's premier copper-gold mine in the Yukon Territory and one of the most economic greenfield copper-gold mining projects in the world. For more information, visit www.westerncopperandgold.com.

On behalf of the board,

"Paul West-Sells"

Dr. Paul West-Sells
President and CEO
[Western Copper and Gold Corp.](#)

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