



# RAVEN REPORT

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## Video Raven



## sMRF In Action

Raven is always looking for ways to educate people about recycling and the environment. Thanks to a grant from the Environmental Awareness Fund, we've been able to put together two short videos on recycling both plastics and paper. The videos were made by Cathie Archbould and Mike Thomas with scripts by Raven. The videos will be available to schools and other interested groups for no charge. Contact our Education Coordinator, Danny, for details.

So, now that we don't ask the public to sort plastic, what happens to it here? Our sort line is the answer. A bobcat picks up the mixed plastics from the bunker and puts them on a conveyor. They are then moved inside to our sort line where workers separate the plastics according to the resin code, that number you see in the triangle. The price we get for plastics varies and mixed plastic is always worth less than bales of unmixed plastic. This means that it's worthwhile pay-

ing our workers to sort out the different kinds of plastic we receive. It's not only plastic that gets sorted, we do the same with paper as well. White paper is worth far more than coloured paper or boxboard and so is best sorted and separated before baling. The sort line is raised off the floor so we can move the recyclables straight off the conveyor into large bins below. The bins can then easily be wheeled out of the way, ready for the next commodity.

## Polystyrene Progress

Money is still coming in for the styrofoam machine. Patty Benjamintz of Beaver Creek's "First" recycling depot, has been one of the major contributors to the styrofoam fund which is now 60% of the way to our total! Patty also had this to say, "I had a chance to pop into the "new and improved" Raven, and showed it off to my sister who was up vis-

iting from Vancouver. She's impressed that we can recycle MORE commodities, without paying surcharges, and more EASILY than she can living in downtown Vancouver! Keep up the great work folks! You've built something the whole Yukon can be PROUD of!" Thanks Patty and also to all of those people who have donated money to the Styrofoam machine so far.



As you see, we're doing well with the fundraising but we're still accepting donations to the Styrofoam Machine fund. Contact us for more details.



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