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Preliminary Screening Notification – 2022 Permit to Burn application for the Fort Providence Wildfire Experimental Site

Please be advised that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) is undertaking a preliminary screening for the proposed Permit to Burn application for the Fort Providence Wildfire Experimental Site. The Forest Management Division (FMD), ENR, is proposing to conduct prescribed burns for the 2022 fire season to complete experimental fire for research purposes and hold training exercises and an ignition workshop for prescribed burns.

In the enclosed package you will find the proponent's 2022 Operations Plan describing the proposed prescribed burns (Attachment A), draft permit with conditions (Attachment B), an engagement log (Attachment C), and preliminary screening report (Attachment D). These documents provide a summary of the project, geographic information, description of the project site, project communication plan, description of activities and land uses to be conducted, description of burn operations, including the specific proposed prescribed burns, a safety plan, a project impacts summary table, proposed conditions to be included in the permit and a summary of engagement. To find the review package online, please visit www.enr.gov.nt.ca/en/services/preliminary-screening-mackenzie-valley.

ENR is requesting that reviewers consider the enclosed information and provide feedback by May 16, 2022. Based on your local knowledge, interests in, and/or use of the area, please advise as to whether the proposed activities described in the Permit to Burn preliminary screening package might be cause for public concern or might have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

The Environmental Assessment and Monitoring (EAM) Unit of ENR will oversee the preliminary screening process. EAM requests that comments are provided by using the Excel template provided (Attachment E). All comment submissions or questions about the review process may be sent to Mr. Jeffrey Cederwall, Environmental Assessment Analyst at (867) 767-9233 ext. 53096 or Jeffrey.Cederwall@gov.nt.ca.

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Should reviewers have technical questions about this proposal, you are encouraged to contact Mr. Daniel Allaire, Manager, Forestry South Slave Region, at (867) 872-6425 or Daniel.Allaire@gov.nt.ca.

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