

Meeting Report: GNWT-DOT - TLICHO ALL SEASON ROAD - EA-1617-01 2016

Tlicho All Season Road GNWT Working Group Meeting with Federal Government of Canada and Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board

Main Issue: Boreal Caribou Impact Mitigations Meeting date: January 20, 2017

Attendees:

- (1) Laurie McGregor, Environmental Assessment Analyst, Environment and Natural Resources, GNWT**
- (2) Andrea Patenaude, Wildlife Biologist, Environment and Natural Resources GNWT**
- (3) Jody Pellissey, Executive Director, Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board**
- (4) Boyan Tracz, Wildlife Management Biologist, Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board**
- (5) Sarah Robertson, Project Officer, Northern Projects Management Office**
- (6) Melissa Pinto, Environmental Assessment Coordinator, Environment and Climate Change Canada**
- (7) Jean Francois Dufour, Environmental Assessment Officer-, Environment and Climate Change Canada**
- (8) Damian Panayi, Project Manager/Biologist, Golder Associates Ltd.**
- (9) Dan Coulton, Wildlife Biologist, Golder Associates Ltd.**
- (9) James Hodson, Wildlife Biologist, Environment and Natural Resources GNWT**
- (10) Darren Campbell, Project Assessment Analyst, Department of Lands, GNWT**
- (11) Melissa Pink, Manager, Project Assessment Branch, Department of Lands, GNWT**
- (12) Katie Rozestraten, Environmental Analyst, Department of Transportation, GNWT**

Summary of discussion:

On January 20, 2017 the GNWT, ECCC and WRRB staff met to discuss boreal caribou issues related to the proposed Tlicho All-season Road. ECCC's and WRRB's responses to the GNWT regarding boreal caribou population trends were discussed and the GNWT updated ECCC and WRRB on the status of GNWT's proposed caribou collaring project. GNWT discussed plans to initiate North Slave Region monitoring recognizing information gaps



related to local boreal caribou population, and are currently pursuing a collaring program. An application for this program (research permit) is currently with the WRRB for approval for which a decision will be made in February.

Developer commitment(s): N/A

Outstanding issue(s) for the party:

The concerns that ECCC spoke to in their December 21, 2016 letter to GNWT and the concerns that WRRB spoke to in their December 16, 2016 response to GNWT still stand.

Action Items: N/A

Signature of party representative (ECCC): Melissa Pinto

Signature of party representative (WRRB): Jody Pelluso

Signature of developer representative (GNWT): [Signature]

Date: 1/20/2017