

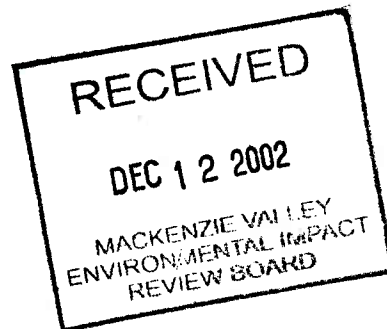


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Minister of Resources, Wildlife and Economic Development

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Mr. Todd Burlingame
Chair
Mackenzie Valley Environmental
Impact Review Board
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Dear Mr. Burlingame:

Interim Timber Supply Analysis - Buffalo River Area.

In September 2001, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (MVEIRB) concluded in an Environmental Assessment that the application by Patterson Sawmill Ltd. for authorization to harvest timber in the Pine Point/Little Buffalo areas of the South Slave Region could proceed subject to two measures. These measures were that:

- Two timber cutting permits for 5000 cubic meters each be granted; and
- Resources, Wildlife and Economic Development (RWED) conclude an interim timber supply analysis by November 2002.

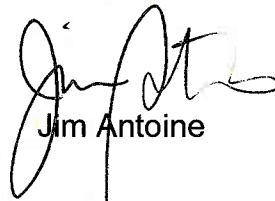
The attached report, *Buffalo River Area: Interim Timber Supply Analysis*, is provided by RWED in response to the MVEIRB measure to complete an interim timber supply analysis.

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Should there be any questions please contact Mr. Robert Bailey, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations at (867)920-6389.

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Attachment