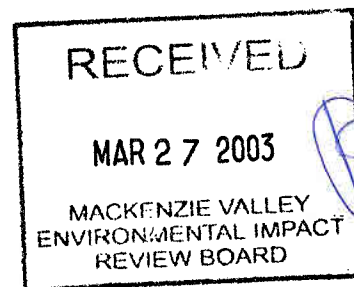




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Attention: Martin Haefele, Environmental Assessment Officer

From: Patricia McNeely, Clerk, Licences/Permits

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Date: March 27, 2003

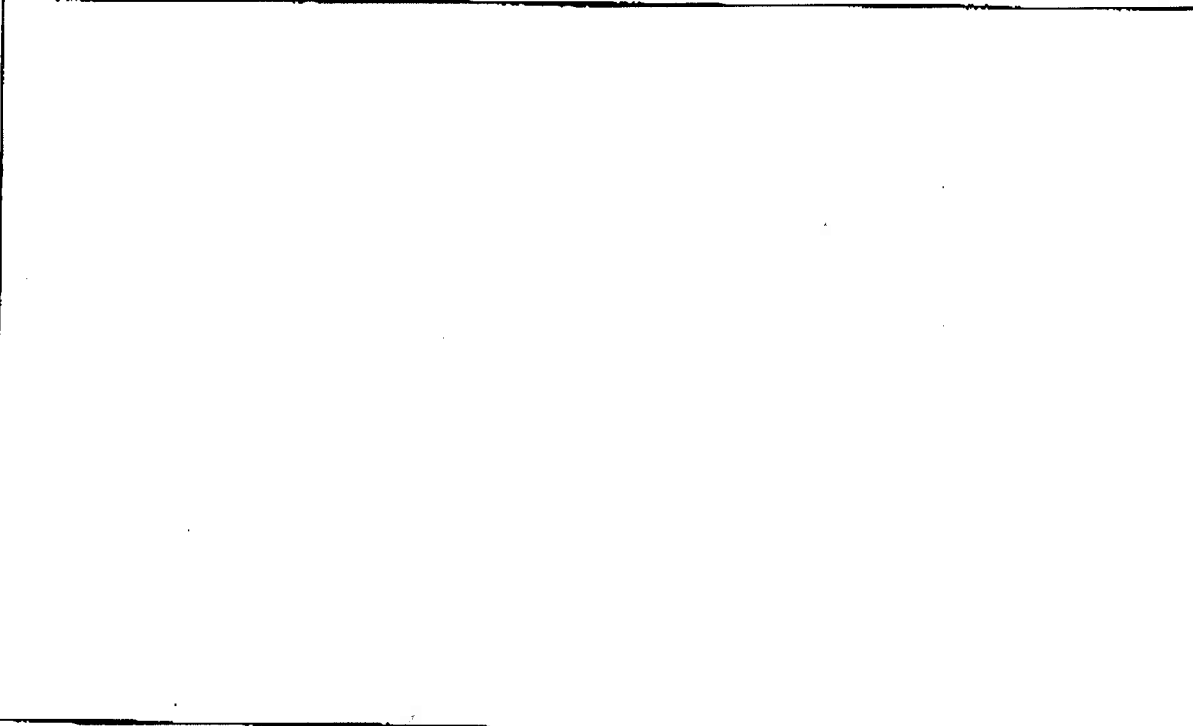
Subject: Referral Agency Comments
S02A-004/S02L1-003 - Northrock Res. Ltd
Sahtu Land & Water Board

Attached are letters received from some of the Referral Agencies on this application. Also included are the handwritten notes from follow-up calls made to agencies to remind them to submit their comments before the deadline.

I will be sending you another fax containing letters from the Land Corporations, etc. from the "General Correspondence" tab of the file.

Regards.

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January 7, 2003

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Dear Sir,

**Re: Land Use Permit/Water Licence for Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek Drilling Project Your File S02A-004/S02L1-003**

The Fort Norman Metis Land corporation would like to make the following comments pertaining to the Land Use Permit and Water Licence application made by Northrock Resources for the Summit Creek Drilling Project.

1. We disagree with the proposed access route and would strongly suggest that Northrock Resources utilize the existing staging site at Little Bear River and the existing access route. Our concerns with the proposed access route is the ice crossing which we believe to be unstable, and there will be a requirement to cut a second growth area on the route which increases the possibility of erosion. By utilizing the existing staging and access route, Northrock will be using a route that they used in prior years to get to their exact drilling site. Further, we do not support the opening of new access routes when existing are established.
2. Community members have raised concerns about the disturbance of an area that has cultural significance. This would have to be further investigated.
3. The issue of harvesters' compensation has not been dealt with by Northrock. As per Chapter 18 of the Sahtu Dene and Metis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement, the developer must deal with the individual harvester, and this has not happened.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the above application.

Sincerely,



Eddy McPherson Jr.
President

Tulita District Land Corporation

December 19, 2002

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Attention: Martin Haeefe

Re: Land Use Permit/Water Licence for
Northrock Resources Ltd - Summit Creek Drilling Project

Refer to your letter dated December 5, 2002. During their regular Board meeting, the Tulita District Land Corporation have decided that each land corporation member (Tulita Land Corporation, Fort Norman Metis Land Corporation and Ernie McDonald Land Corporation) will submit their comments to your office regarding the above subject. We trust this decision will suffice in order to meet your request for comments.

We wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday.

Yours truly,


Gordon Yakeleya
President, TDLC



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Tulita Renewable Resource Council

December 17, 2002

Martin Haeefe
Land/Resource Geographer
Sahtu Land & Water Board
P.O. Box 1
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Dear Mr. Haeefe:

RE: Land Use Permit/Water Licence for Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek Drilling Project

Thank you for your letter regarding if Northrock Resources Ltd has contacted Tulita Renewable Resource Council about trapper compensation. To date there has been no response from Northrock Resources since our letter to Sahtu Land & Water Board.

If Northrock Resources does contact us and plan to meet with TRRC we will contact you immediately.

Thank you for your time and consideration with regards to TRRC concerns.

Sincerely,

Wilfred Lennie Sr.
Acting Vice-President

CC: Gordon Yakeleya, President
Tulita District Land Corporation

Rocky Norwegian, President
Fort Norman Metis Land Corporation

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. Lennie Sr.", written over a dotted line.

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October 25, 2002

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Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Land Use Permit Application – S02A-004
Water License Application S02L1-003
Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek, Tulita – Winter Drilling Project

After a complete review of the application submitted by Northrock, we feel that they should be granted the above permits.

Sincerely,

Todd McCauley
President



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October 25, 2002

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Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Land Use Permit Application – S02A-004
Water License Application – S02L1-003
Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek, Tulita – Winter Drilling Project

After a complete review of the application submitted by Northrock, we feel that they should be granted the above permits.

Sincerely,

Norman Hodgson
President

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To: Sahatu Land & Water Board Fax: (867) 598-2325
From: W. Lennie St Date: October 24, 2002
Re: Land and Water Use Pages: 3 Including Cover Page
cc: Permit - Northrock Resources Ltd.

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Sahtu Land and Water Board
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RE: Land and Water Use Permit Application - S02A-004
Water Licence Application - S02L1-003
Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek, Tulita - Winter Drilling Project

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Renewable Resource Council of Tulita would like to comment on the land and water use permit application for Northrock Resources Ltd.

The board wrote to Northrock on September 13, 2002 concerning using the old staging area at Little Bear River as well as compensation for trappers. There was very little communication between Northrock Resources and Tulita Renewable Resource Council. However, this matter has not been resolved to date.

In the future, we the Tulita Renewable Resource Council would like to be informed from the Sahtu Land and Water Board of any companies that would be in the vicinity of the Tulita area.

We appreciate an opportunity to make our comments and concerns known.

Yours truly,

Wilfred Lennie Sr.
Acting Vice-President



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CC: Gordon Yakeleya, President
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October 24, 2002

Sahru Land Use Planning Board
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Re: Application - Northrock Resources - Winter 2002-2003

The Hamlet of Tulita has one comment regarding this application: ensure the conditions are met in the area that the company will apply to the Hamlet Office to use the local solid waste disposal site. A fee will be set once we receive that application.

Sincerely,

Louise Reindeer
Louise Reindeer
Senior Administrative Officer

"where two rivers meet"

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October 16, 2002

Sahtu Land & Water Board
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**Re: Land Use Permit Application S02A-004 & Water Licence Application S02L1-003 --
Northrock Resources Ltd. – Summit Creek, Tulita – Winter Drilling Project**

Upon review of the Land Use Permit & Water Licence Application for the Northrock Resources Ltd. – Summit Creek Winter Drilling Project, the Sahtu Renewable Resources Board is satisfied that all requirements have been met, provided that the subsequent conditions are followed:

- Trained environmental monitors from Tulita are utilized and hired through the Tulita Renewable Resource Council. Weekly reports are provided to the Tulita Renewable Resource Council and the Sahtu Renewable Resources Board.
- At least one week prior to commencement of the program, all area trappers and traditional users should be notified.
- During the reseeding process, it is hoped that every effort will be made to use a native seed source or, if not possible, to ensure that an uncontaminated seed source is used.

If you require any other information, please contact us at (867) 588-4040 or director@srrb.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

Jody Snortland
Executive Director

Cc Paul Latour, Interim Chair

SAHTU LAND USE PLANNING BOARD
P.O. Box 235, Fort Good Hope, NT X0E 0H0

October 2, 2002

Sahtu Land and Water Board
Attention: Mr. Haefele
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RE: Land Use Permit Application – S02A-004
Water License Application – S02L1-003
Northrock Resources Ltd.
Summit Creek, Tulita – Winter Drilling Project

Dear Mr. Haefele,

The Sahtu Land Use Planning Board has reviewed the land use permit application submitted by Northrock Resources Ltd. on September 13, 2002 and referred to us by your office on September 30, 2002. The Sahtu Land Use Planning Board hereby certifies that there is no approved land use plan for the area affected by the above captioned application. On behalf of the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board, I confirm that the Sahtu Land and Water Board has met the referral obligations to our Board as outlined in the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act.

While there is not currently a land use plan in effect for the area in question, our land use planning process has identified areas of considerable importance to the people of the Sahtu. Two individual areas are of concern in the proposed Land Use Permit Application. The area encompassing Stewart Lake, Tate Lake and Little Bear River is noted as an Intensive Traditional Use Area, which falls under the Special Management Areas category of the preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan. There is also a section of a Heritage Trail, called the Mountain Dene Trail to Drum Lake, located in the proposed area of the Land Use Permit in question. The Mountain Dene Trail to Drum Lake has been placed in the Conservation Areas category of the preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan.

The broad land use category termed Special Management Areas is described in the Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan as areas that:

...include intensive traditional use locations, Great Bear Lake, as well as the Mackenzie River corridor. While these areas are to be primarily managed to maintain traditional activities, there is opportunity for surface and/or subsurface

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developments in some areas. As such, some specific sites within the special management area may prohibit all forms of development, while in other locations terms and conditions may be placed on the appropriate land use permits, water licenses or other authorizations to conduct work. The specific terms and conditions noted below aim to protect wildlife and their habitats, heritage and cultural values, tourism, and others. Readers should note that many of these terms and conditions are already applied within the Sahtu Settlement Area and are often industry identified "best practices".

The specific Intensive Traditional Use Area of Stewart Lake, Tate Lake and Little Bear River has been identified by Sahtu residents because:

Many wildlife species of special concern are found in these areas, including caribou (barren-ground and mountain), moose, fur-bearers, waterfowl and fish.

The objectives of Intensive Traditional Use Areas are:

- To maintain traditional use
- To maintain regional travel corridors
- To protect heritage and cultural values
- To protect burial and archaeological sites
- To protect important fish, wildlife and waterfowl habitats
- To allow for development while preserving other significant values

The provisions in the preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan for the Stewart Lake, Tate Lake and Little Bear River Intensive Traditional Use Area allow for commercial industrial development as long as:

1. The community and other potentially affected users are consulted about the proposed development and that their concerns are clearly identified and addressed within the proponents' application.
2. Appropriate measures are taken to avoid damage to fish, wildlife and their habitats, archaeological, burial and other heritage sites and the general land or water. (Please find the list of these measures in Appendix)

The second area of concern, the Mountain Dene Trail to Drum Lake, has been noted as a Conservation Area. Conservation Areas identified in the planning process are included as such in the preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan:

Conservation Areas include sites and places with a combination of high traditional, cultural, historical, and/or biological significance. This includes existing and proposed protected areas, most major rivers, International Biological Programme sites, as well as heritage trails, sites and places. The primary goal of the Conservation Areas is to ensure the traditional, cultural, heritage, and bio-physical values are maintained. Therefore, all surface and subsurface development activities, except for low impact recreation and tourism, are prohibited on lands designated Conservation Areas. The management of lands within existing protected areas is the responsibility of the appropriate government agency.

Acceptable activities within all Conservation Areas include:
Traditional Harvesting
Low Impact Tourism and Recreation

Restricted or unacceptable activities within all Conservation Areas include:
Oil and Gas Exploration and Development
Mining Exploration and Development
Commercial Renewable Resources Development
Sand, Gravel and Rock Extraction
Transportation and Infrastructure Development
Waste Disposal
Power Development
Commercial Water Development

In particular, the Mountain Dene Trail to Drum Lake Conservation Area:
...was identified during the planning process as a very important local travel corridor, heritage place and traditional use location. Special features in this conservation area include burial sites and the Mountain Dene Heritage Trail. The full extent of this trail is not yet mapped.

I hope this information is of assistance to you, as the final version of the preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan is still forthcoming at this time. Copies will be distributed to your organization as soon as they become available. If you require any further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board at: (867) 598-2055.

Sincerely,



Clarence Campbell
Interim Chairperson

APPENDIX
Preliminary Draft Sahtu Land Use Plan
Mitigation Measures for Developments in Special Management Areas

- No fuel storage within 100m of ordinary high-water mark of any water body.
- No cutting or other disturbance of stream banks.
- Water should be sourced from multiple sources using screened intakes and cannot come from a small lake.
- Temporary stream crossings must be constructed of clean snow and water.
- Fuel and oil management plans must be in place prior to the start of operations.
- Frozen water bodies cannot be used as camp sites or transportation routes, nor can any materials be stored on the ice.
- No activity within 150 m of known or suspected archaeological, burial or other heritage sites. If a site is suspected, the Sahtu Land and Water Board, the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board and other appropriate authorities must be informed.
- Trap lines and other traditional use areas must be avoided.
- Any trails crossed must be restored. In particular, barriers to movement of wildlife or people cannot be created.
- Existing cut lines, roads, marshalling yards, and other sites must be used wherever possible.
- Any new clearings must be the minimum size required for the task and should not result in long lines of site.
- All waste products must be removed from the development site. Toxic wastes must be removed from the Mackenzie Valley.
- Operations can only be conducted under suitable ground conditions (i.e. ground must be fully frozen or other wise capable of supporting equipment).
- Work crews cannot hunt or feed wildlife, must limit their vehicles speed and should keep their work areas clean of garbage.
- Minimal ground and vegetation disturbance through hand falling on steep slopes, elevated bulldozer blades and others.
- The timing of the work must be scheduled to avoid wildlife species of concern including caribou and waterfowl migration times as determined by the Sahtu Renewable Resources Board or other appropriate authority.
- All operations sites are suitably reclaimed.
- Other terms and conditions may be applied by the regulatory authorities or by the communities.

Follow-Up-Calls SO2A-004/SO2L-003 Oct. 23/02

EMUC/Norman Wells Ren. Res. Council - Spoke with Cathy the Secretary and she said that hopefully they'll have comments in tomorrow.

Town of Norman Wells - The Secretary will pass message on to Alec Simpson, Town Manager.

Tulita District Land Corporation / Tulita Land Corporation Spoke with Theresa Etchenelle - she said that it was presented at Board Mtg and no comments or concerns. She will bring it up with Gordon Makelaga. I told her that we need a written reply.

Hamlet of Tulita - SAC HOUSE REINDEER - She said they will have comments submitted.

Ft. Norman Heli's Local #60 Land Corporation - The secretary will inform the President we need written comments.

Tulita Band Council - Chief Frank Andrew - asked for written comments or concerns by October 25/02.

Ft. Norman Renewable Resource Council - Spoke with the secretary. Told her we were looking for written comments.

Wilfred Lennie said he is acting President. Will try get comments in. Fred Andrew resigned Environment Committee - Left Message for Ann Wilson

RWED-Norman Wells - Left Message for Celena Stroeder
we are looking for comments re: application.

Dept. of Transportation - GDOT - Spoke with Eric and
told her we are looking for comments/concerns by Friday.

Tom Andrews - Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre
said they will ^{try} make comments in.

Edna Tobac

Land Technician