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Sherry:

Please find attached an updated INAC Trip Report.

Could you please distribute and place on the Public Registry? If you have any questions please let me know.

Cheers Fraser

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Drybones/Wool Bay Trip Report

Field Trip Summary

On Thursday, August 14, six DIAND staff joined three guides from the YKDFN for a tour of the Drybones and Wool Bay areas. Four diamond exploration projects are proposed in the area. The purpose of the trip was to familiarize EA participants with the proposed project area.

Participants included:

Lionel Marcinkoski, E&C DIAND

Andrea Cole, E&C DIAND

Miki Promislow, E&C DIAND

Meighan Wilson, Water Resources DIAND

Rebecca Chouinard, Water Resources DIAND

Shannon Pagotto, Water Resources DIAND

Morris Martin, YKDFN

James Sangris, YKDFN


Randy Freeman, Archaeology consultant to YKDFN

Robert Turner, Land and Resource Manager, NSMA

Two boats set out from Dettah. We passed through Wool Bay and viewed the island where North American General has proposed a drilling program. We landed at the south side of the mouth of Drybones Bay at Dave Smith's old camp, currently owned by New Shoshoni Ventures. Helicopter tours of the Bay area took off from this base. During the helicopter ride, Randy Freeman pointed out areas that had been mapped and studied during this summer's YKDFN field work. This research catalogued traditional use sites such as: graves, old and contemporary camps, spiritual sites, old missions, and other features on the land. This data is currently being inputted into a GIS by the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre. The concentration and number of sites we observed during our brief trip would likely indicate the importance of the area to the local communities. After a shore lunch of fresh fish we headed back to Dettah, stopping along the way to visit the site of old Fort Providence.

A special thank you is extended to Rachel, James, Morris and Randy for showing us around Drybones and Wool Bays.

The pictures on the following pages were taken during the field trip.

James, Meighan, Rebecca, and Shannon on the boat ride out to Drybones	
Aerial view of Drybones Bay	
View of Dave Smith's old camp, currently owned by New Shoshoni Ventures, located on the south side of the mouth of Drybones Bay	
Lunch at the New Shoshoni campsite	
Traditional use site observed from the helicopter (note wood cross in center of image)	
During the helicopter tour we flew over a camp southwest of Burnt Island (bottom center of image)	
Cutlines that looked like they may have been cut recently through the bush near the camp southwest of Burnt Island	
Unidentified development in the Drybones Bay area	
Remnants of Old Fort	

Providence	
The commercial fish plant at Wool Bay	