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Re: EA0405-002 CZN Phase III – IR0405-002-12

Dear Martin Haefele,

Results from this summer's field work on grizzlies are not yet available. Therefore, Parks Canada does not have any additional information on the frequency, occurrence, range, sensitivities to disturbance, and food and habitat requirements of grizzly bears in the South Nahanni Watershed. We have identified two potential impacts to grizzly bears. First, sweet-vetch (*Hedysarum* spp.), a common food for grizzly bears may be damaged or destroyed reducing a food source (see the report by John Weaver, February 2005). Second, grizzly bears may be attracted to food and garbage from human activities associated with the project.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Original signed by Chuck Blyth

Chuck Blyth  
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