



Délíne ʔehdzo Got'íne (Délíne Renewable Resources Council)
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Joanne Deneron, Chairperson
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
200 Scotia Centre
Box 938, 5102-50th Ave
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Dear Ms Deneron,

Re: Request to Hold Community Session for Mackenzie Valley Highway Project in Délíne

We understand that the MVEIRB is planning to hold community sessions in communities in the Sahtú in October 2024 to hear directly from community members.

The Délíne ʔehdzo Got'íne (Délíne Renewable Resources Council, DRRC) would like to request that the MVEIRB come to Délíne to host a session. The Mackenzie Valley Highway Project is of great interest to the people of Délíne, particularly to our harvesters and ʔqhda, who the DRRC represents. We are concerned about the impacts of this project on our lands, wildlife and waters and want to make sure that we fully understand the project and can tell you about what we think of the proposed project based on our knowledge, experience and Dene ts'íli.

When the MVEIRB staff came to Délíne in June, there was a lot of attendance and many questions asked, highlighting how engaged our community is in this process. We would like the opportunity to talk to the Board face-to-face and share with you directly our concerns, questions, evidence and perspectives. Meeting in-person is much better than virtual or by paper.

We understand that the Délíne Got'íne Government will also sending a similar request for a community session in Délíne. The DRRC can work with MVEIRB and the DGG to host these meetings.

Máhsí,

Russell Kenny, President, Délíne ʔehdzo Got'íne