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Mr. Grant Pryznyk
Interim Chair
Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board
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Dear Mr. Pryznyk:

Joint Caribou Management Proposal

The decline of the Bathurst Caribou Herd is a huge concern for both governments and requires drastic measures that will assist with the recovery of the herd. In an attempt to achieve these measures, the Tłıchǵ Government and Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR), have worked collaboratively on a joint caribou management proposal.

Please find enclosed the Joint Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'èezhii that both the Tłıchǵ Government and ENR are submitting as per chapter 12.5.1 of the Tłıchǵ Agreement. While we have agreement on a majority of suggested actions, we have not reached agreement on harvesting for Aboriginal hunters, as you will see in our proposal.

Both governments look forward to working with the Board on this important issue. The Tłıchǵ see a decline in the Bathurst Caribou Herd as a threat to their culture and way of life. The GNWT value the conservation of the herd for future generations. For the Tłıchǵ Government, please keep in contact with Mr. Eddie Erasmus, Director of Tłıchǵ Lands Protection Department. For the GNWT please contact Mr. Fred J. Mandeville, Manager of Wildlife and Environment, North Slave Region at 873-7019.

Sincerely,
In Tłıchǵ Unity,



Grand Chief Joe Rabesca
Tłıchǵ Government

Sincerely,



Gary A. Bohnet
Deputy Minister

Enclosure

