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## Wildlife Research Permit Application for Thcho All-Season Road Wildlife Effects **Monitoring**

Please find attached a Wildlife Research Permit application for Allicia Kelly, ENR, GNWT to conduct the project titled "Boreal caribou and wolf monitoring program for the Thcho All-Season Road (TASR) Project 2022-23".

This project will involve deploying up to 13 boreal caribou collars in the North Slave administrative region, including up to 10 collars in the Tł<sub>1</sub>ch<sub>0</sub> All-Season Road (TASR) study area and up to 3 collars in the North Slave portion of the Mackenzie study area. This year, the project will also involve deploying up to 5 collars onto wolves in the North Slave administrative region portion of boreal caribou range. Information from the collared caribou will be used in conjunction with aerial composition surveys to generate population metrics (adult female survival, calf recruitment) and to determine caribou movements and distribution. Information from collared wolves will provide information on wolf movements and distribution and to better understand predation rates on boreal caribou, moose, and bison. Monitoring of both species will assist in meeting the monitoring objectives outlined in the TASR Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan. The information from the collaring program will also contribute to regional scale efforts to develop the Wek'èezhìi Boreal Caribou Range Plan.

A recommendation form is attached for your response. Please fax this form to 867-873-6230 or email to allicia\_kelly@gov.nt.ca by Dec. 15, 2022. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 767-9238 ext. 53257. We appreciate your ongoing support of cooperative wildlife management.

Sincerely,

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