

December 7, 2020

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Re: GNWT-INF - Tłįchǫ All-Season Road (TASR) - Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan - V4.1

Dear Mr. Rahman;

The following comments are submitted to the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) Department of Infrastructure (INF) for the Tłįchǫ All-Season Road's Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan (WMMP) Version 4.1. The Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) received Version 4.1 of the WMMP as a Management Proposal under Section 12.5.1 of the Tłįchǫ Agreement on November 6, 2020.

As per the Board's previous comments submitted through the Wek'èezhìı Land and Water Board Online Review System, it is concerned that the Corridor Working Group (CWG) is not a sufficient tool for adaptive management, specifically for the adaptive management of Traditional Knowledge. However, the WRRB understands that the CWG has only existed for two years, and that the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has caused the Working Group to have to move online. As such, the Board will be monitoring the CWG process and may recommend for future versions of this WMMP that changes be made to ensure there is an effective method available to adaptively manage the WMMP.

The Board approves Version 4.1 of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Program for the Tłıcho All-Season Road as submitted (Motion #736-03-12-2020).

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

cc. Joseph Judas, Chair Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board

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