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Wildlife Research Permit Application for the Tłıchǫ Highway Wildlife Monitoring Program

Please find enclosed a Wildlife Research Permit application for a Program titled “Tłıchǫ Highway Wildlife Monitoring Program” submitted by Jocelyn Zoe, from the Tłıchǫ Government.

The Tłıchǫ Government is in its sixth year of the Tłıchǫ Highway Wildlife Monitoring Program, a Program developed to address key measures set as part of the environmental assessment for the Tłıchǫ Highway. This Program involves four key components, including wildlife surveys (specifically, road surveys, pellet, and track surveys), dust collection, drone surveys, and vegetation surveys. Tłıchǫ Highway Monitors facilitate each of the four research components along the Tłıchǫ Highway, the 97 km all-season highway connecting the communities of Behchokǝ and Whatì. The goal of this Program is to determine whether the Tłıchǫ Highway is having adverse impacts on wildlife, wildlife habitat, and harvesting success.

This Program has already provided great insights into the distribution of wildlife along the highway and the quality of available habitat. The Tłıchǫ Government is eager to continue this work to develop a robust, comprehensive understanding of how the highway is affecting local wildlife and their habitats.

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