



Northwest
Territories Environment and Natural Resources

NORTH SLAVE REGION CONSULTATION LOG

DATE: October 26, 2009	TIME: 9:30
NAME: Andy McMullen	COMPANY: Bearwise
	PROJECT: True North Safaris – Permit to Bait Black Bears NS2010GWP001.
ENR REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Sarah True- REAC - phone	PROGRAM TIME FRAME: Project starts in May of 2010. PS review is due November 6 th , 2009.
NOTES: Andy McMullen called to express concerns over the Permit to Bait black bears that TNS has applied for.	
RECOMMENDATIONS\COMMENTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understands the review to be the use of bait to hunt black bear for commercial use.• Biological<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ This activity needs to be looked at a territorial wide level not just his permit. Consider the impact if others individuals or businesses apply for the same permit to bait black bears.◦ Both the proponent and GNWT are not in a position to manage black bears as the reporting and documentation thus far he considers insufficient and lacking. There is no documentation on numbers for population, harvesting or mortality, evident from the lack of reporting and documentation that is being collected on a high risk species, grizzly bears.• Economic Viability<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Considers this to be a marginal business and stated that the best area for black bear hunting to be Northern Alberta.• Public concern<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Existing public access to the area. Hwy #3 is the main road to and from Yellowknife to which a lot of people travel and considered high use.	
ACTIONS ITEMS/FOLLOW UPS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I explained the Preliminary screening process that it was a vehicle to collect any concerns through a broad public review. In turn these concerns will be used to determine the “might test”, the decision to issue the permit or not is a separate process.• I informed him that I will be documenting his concerns that he verbally gave me in a consultation log that will be filed.• I agreed to send him the application package via email bearwise@theedge.ca so that can do a full review and submit written comments that can be documented and filed. I informed him that his report that ENR contracted him to develop last year was included in the application package.	