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Wildlife Research Permit Application for Moose Research and Monitoring for the Proposed Lockhart All-Season Road Project

Please find attached a Wildlife Research Permit application for a project entitled “**Moose range use, demography and habitat use in the Taiga Shield / Lockhart All-Season Road corridor**” submitted by James Hodson, ECC, GNWT.

As part of this project, up to 40 GPS collars will be deployed on adult moose over a two-year period (15 cows + 5 bulls per year) to learn more about moose movements, habitat selection and indicators of population trend along the proposed Lockhart All-Season Road project corridor. The area for collar deployment will focus within a 30 km buffer on either side of the proposed road corridor, from the end of the Ingraham Trail up to Lockhart Lake. Collar deployments are planned for February/March in 2025 and 2026.

The research permit application form requires brief summaries, so I have included a document with additional details. There will be opportunities for community members to participate in spring composition surveys starting in winter 2026 onwards. This application is for a multi-year research permit for 5 years, to allow for continued spring composition surveys, mortality investigations and collar retrievals over the 4.5 year life of the collars.

A recommendation form is attached for your response. **Please email this form to james_hodson@gov.nt.ca by January 15, 2025.** If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 767-9238 ext. 53254. We appreciate your ongoing support of cooperative wildlife management.

Sincerely,

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