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Wildlife Research Permit Application - NWT Small Mammal and Hare Survey

As per section 12.5.1 of the Tłı̨ch̨ Agreement, the Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) considers the above-mentioned Wildlife Research Permit application as a management proposal. The Board understands that the objectives of the small mammal and hare survey are to 1) quantify densities of small mammal populations in order to determine population cycles of furbearers, 2) test for the presence diseases, and 3) continue annual monitoring of long term transects.

The proposed research, scheduled for June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2028 in Wek'èezhì at Daring Lake, with additional sampling in the North Slave region and across the NWT, involves the following:

- Snap-trapping or live trapping of small mammals on standardized permanent trap lines;
- Hare data collected on four transects at each sampling site;
- Hare Pellets collected within each of 20 permanent quadrats located on each transect;
- Trapping is planned for August, but can occur in June, July, and September.

The WRRB has no concerns with the project as presented in your application. The WRRB requests that results be provided to the Board annually and upon overall completion of work and asks that our office be contacted if there is any opportunity for Board or staff involvement in your work.

Please feel free to give us a call with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jody Pellissey" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jody Pellissey
Executive Director

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