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RE: Wildlife Research Permit Application – Winter road Landbird Monitoring Program

The Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) has reviewed your Wildlife Research Permit application and understands that the objectives of the avian monitoring project are to 1) document habitat-specific species density and abundance along the main winter roads in the NWT, 2) update the northern limit of the breeding range of most landbirds, 3) increase geographic coverage to support national habitat modelling initiatives, and 4) monitor long-term population status of landbirds in the northern boreal portion of the NWT.

The proposed research, scheduled from February 2021 to March 2022 along the Tibbitt to Contwoyto winter road, involves the following:

- Deploying 130 audio recording units (ARUs) along the winter road;
- ARUs will be programmed to “sleep” until April when it will record until July;
- Each unit will record for 10 minutes 10 times a day; and,
- All units will be retrieved in early 2022.

The WRRB has no concerns with the project as presented in your application. The WRRB requests that results be provided to the Board upon 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,



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Executive Director

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