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**RE: Wildlife Research Permit Application – Second Request to Amend Wildlife Research Permit #WL500830 – Wolf Collaring**

Dear Dr. Wilson:

The Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) has reviewed your above entitled Wildlife Research Permit (WRP) Application and understands that the objectives are to 1) determine how *Dìga* (wolves) travel among *ʔekwò* (barren-ground caribou) on their winter ranges, 2) determine broader *dìga* movement patterns across *ʔekwò* ranges on an annual and multi-year basis, 3) determine fidelity of *dìga* to den sites and *ʔekwò* herd ranges, and 4) assist in the evaluation of *dìga* management actions in the NWT. The wolf collaring locations will be on the *Kòk'èetì ekwò* (Bathurst caribou) and *Sahtì ekwò* (Bluenose-East caribou) herd winter ranges as well as the Beverly/Ahiak *ekwò* herd winter range when distributed in the North Slave Region.

The proposed research amendment, scheduled between January 2023 and August 2025, includes the following changes from the previously approved permit:

- Abundance and detection surveys;
- Den surveys;
- Kill site investigations; and,
- Non-invasive monitoring work including trail cameras and rub posts to collect fur.

Board staff would like to be informed if additional non-invasive monitoring techniques other than described above are used under this permit. The WRRB has no concerns with the amendment as presented in your application.

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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