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Re: Revised Joint Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'èezhì – Implementation Plan

At its recent June 2011 board meeting, the Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) reviewed the Implementation Plan for the *Revised Joint Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'èezhì*, submitted by the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) and Tł'chǫ Government (TG). The Board is satisfied that the Implementation Plan addresses how the Parties will implement proposed management and monitoring actions to promote the stabilization and recovery of the Bathurst Caribou herd; therefore, the WRRB supports the Implementation Plan as presented (Motion #248-24-06-2011). The Board views the Implementation Plan as a living document and expects to be involved in future reviews and revisions.

To ensure effective implementation of the plan, the WRRB would like to emphasize the importance of engaging and informing Tł'chǫ citizens to ensure clarity in the communities. As reporting is an integral part of the Implementation Plan, the Board has developed and attached a table to help all Parties keep track of commitments and reporting requirements. Additionally, the WRRB encourages the quick implementation of the Tł'chǫ Knowledge Research and Monitoring Program as the Board believes the Program is necessary in the overall approach to caribou management in Wek'èezhì and will ensure that Tł'chǫ harvesters are engaged in all aspects of management.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Grant Pryznyk".

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| 1) TG and ENR to report annually on success of harvest target approach to Bathurst aboriginal harvest management | 1.1.1 | 1. Harvest monitored & reported to TG, ENR, WRRB throughout hunting season, especially as targets approached. If needed, management can be altered. | TG/ENR | Reports every week or every 2 weeks during hunting season | 1 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 1.1.1 | 2. Annual report from TG and ENR in May on harvest totals and effectiveness of harvest target approach | TG/ENR | Report May 2011, 2012, 2013 | 1 | Outstanding |
| 2) Commercial harvest of Bathurst caribou set to zero for 2010-13 3) Outfitted harvest of Bathurst caribou set to zero for 2010-13 4) ENR & TG to make public prior to 2012 Bathurst population survey their positions on reinstatement of outfitter harvest 5) Resident harvest of Bathurst caribou set to zero for 2010-2013 6) ENR & TG to make public prior to 2012 Bathurst survey their position on reinstatement of resident harvest | 1.1.2 | 1. Interim Emergency Measures Regulation Changes set Commercial, Outfitted and Resident Harvest for Bathurst Caribou to Zero | ENR | 1-Jan-10 | 2,3,5 | Completed |
| | 1.1.2 | 2. Changed status of Barren-Ground Caribou Management Zone R/BC/02 and R/BC/03, from a No-Hunting Conservation Zone, to a special management zone; Commercial, Outfitted & Resident harvest remain at 0. | ENR | Completed Dec 8, 2010 | 2,3,5 | Completed |
| | 1.1.2 | 3. Reinstatement of Outfitter & Resident harvest of Bathurst caribou TG & ENR suggest that reinstatement of outfitter and resident harvest should happen as part of a long-term plan for Bathurst herd, where the first step is establishing goals for the herd, the second is determining acceptable sustainable harvest levels depending on the herd's status and goals, and the third is determining allocation for hunter groups. Best done via long-term planning process to be completed 2012. | ENR, TG | Completion of Bathurst longterm management plan 2012 | 4,6 (55 indirectly) | Outstanding |

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| 7) Harvest target for Bathurst herd should be 300 ± 10% 8) Allocation of harvest should be 225 for Tlicho hunters, 75 for other aboriginal hunters 9) Harvest sex ratio for Bathurst herd should be at least 85 bulls:15 cows 10) If Bathurst harvest near or likely soon over 300 ± 10%, close all harvest; TAH possible 11) If Bathurst harvest near or likely soon over 45 cows, close cow harvest; TAH possible | 1.1.3 | 1. TG & ENR agree with WRRB recommendations on harvest target of 300 Bathurst caribou and will monitor harvest closely & report to WRRB through hunting season. Suggest regulation changes or other restrictions to be jointly decided on by TG, ENR, & WRRB. WRRB retains option of calling for TAH. | TG, ENR, WRRB | Harvest monitored and reported throughout hunting season (Aug-Sept & Nov-May) | 7,10 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 1.1.3 | 2. The TG/ENR joint caribou proposal called for an equal division of the 300 Bathurst caribou by Tlicho and YKDFN hunters. Agreement between ENR and YKDFN also calls for equal sharing between Tlicho and YKDFN. TG & ENR prefer to retain 150:150 division. | TG, ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 8 | Outstanding |
| | 1.1.3 | 3. TG and ENR proposed 80:20 harvest sex ratio target and prefer to retain this split. Modeling suggests small variation in sex ratio has limited significance to herd. | TG, ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 9 | Outstanding |
| | 1.1.3 | 4. TG & ENR agree with WRRB recommendations on harvest target of 45 Bathurst cows and will monitor harvest closely & report to WRRB through hunting season. Suggest regulation changes or other restrictions to be jointly decided on by TG, ENR, & WRRB. WRRB retains option of calling for TAH. | TG, ENR, WRRB | Harvest monitored and reported throughout hunting season (Aug-Sept & Nov-May) | 11 | Outstanding |

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| 12) Identify and make public the area to harvest Bathurst caribou prior to fall hunt 13) Identify and make public the area to harvest Bathurst caribou prior to winter hunt | 1.1.4 | 1. TG & ENR suggest detailed information on caribou collar locations best limited to aboriginal groups hunting them. ENR was requested at 2007 Inuvik Caribou Summit to limit publicizing caribou collar information, consistent with conservation measures of reducing caribou harvest. | ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 12,13 | Ongoing |
| | 1.1.4 | 2. Collar Location Maps will be provided weekly to TG and WRRB during fall and winter hunting seasons. | ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 12,13 | Ongoing |
| | 1.1.4 | 3. The TWG will be kept updated of the collared caribou movements on a bi-weekly basis; if the animals begin to move out of the designated areas, discussion and re-evaluation of the zones will ensue with recommendations made to the TG and ENR. Based on winter 2010-2011, collar locations are key to assigning harvest to Bathurst, Bluenose-East herds and directing hunters – see also section 2.2.2 on radio-collars. | TG/ENR/TWG | As needed | 12,13 | Ongoing |
| 40 on reporting Tlicho harvest, recommendation 56 on TG increasing capacity to participate fully in caribou monitoring and management, recommendations 44, 45 and 46 on adaptive co-management, and recommendations 42 and 43 on hunter education. | 1.2.1 | 1. Meeting to assess community needs for Fall Hunt | TG/TEWG | July/August annually until 2013 | | Outstanding |
| | 1.2.1 | 2. Recommendation Report on Fall hunt possibilities to TG/ENR/WRRB | TG/TEWG | July/August annually until 2013 | 7,9,10, 11 (indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | 1.2.1 | 3. Assessment of Alternative species harvested and needs and expectations of CHAP funds for next year | TG/TEWG | July/August annually until 2013 | 40, 54 (indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | 1.2.1 | 4. Reporting requirements to be developed regarding ITI funds | TG/TEWG | July/August annually until 2013 | 40 (indirectly) | Outstanding |

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| | 1.2.2 | 1. Authorization cards Developed and dispensed to Community Chief | TG/ENR | Aug-11 | 40 (indirectly) | Ongoing |
| | | 2. Reporting system designed and tested | TG/ENR | Aug-11 | 40 (indirectly) | Ongoing |
| | | 3. Reporting back of harvesters to community monitor or TK researcher | TG/ENR | Ongoing through Hunting season (Aug-April 2011-2012) | 40 | Ongoing |
| | | 4. Bi-weekly reports made to TG/ENR of harvest data | TG/ENR | Ongoing through Hunting season (Aug-April 2011-2012) | 40, 41 (indirectly) | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 1.2.3 | 1. Hire one Community Wildlife Monitor (CWM) for Whati, Gameti and Wekweeti. The community caribou monitor will be a seasonal position. | ENR/TG | Hired in Dec 2010 until hunting season is finished in 2011. | 56 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | | 2. Monitor the harvest in each Tłęcho community by interviewing active hunters regularly during the caribou hunting season in order to document the location, sex and age of each caribou harvested. | ENR jointly with CWM | Ongoing through Hunting season (Aug-April 2011-2012) | 40 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | | 3. Bi-weekly summary report of caribou harvested for each herd by location, sex and age. The summary report will be made available to the TG, ENR, WRRB and SRRB | ENR jointly with CWM | Ongoing through Hunting season (Aug-April 2011-2012) | 40,41 (indirectly) | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | | 4. Joint Annual Report prepared on success of overall harvest monitoring which will be presented to TWG at meeting in May/June 2011. 5. Roles to be reassessed for summer 2011 | TG/ENR | July/August 2011, 2012, 2013 | 1,44,45,46 | Outstanding |
| | 1.2.4 | 1. Hire a check station monitor and maintain winter road check station | ENR | Jan 1 – End of winter Road season 2011 | 40 (indirectly) | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |

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| | | 2. Report regularly to ENR | ENR | Ongoing through winter road season 2010-2011 | 40 (indirectly) | Completed |
| | | 3. Annual Report on success and recommendations for next year provided to TWG | ENR | July/August 2011 | 1,41,46 | Outstanding |
| 52) Wolf harvest to be increased through suggested incentives for wolf pelts and carcasses 53) The Board recommends that focused wolf control not be implemented. If Tł'cho Government and ENR believe that focused wolf control is required, a management proposal shall be provided to the WRRB for its consideration. | 1.3 | 1. Increased incentive for wolf Carcass | ENR/ITI | Initiated fall 2010 | 52 | Completed |
| | 1.3 | 2. Increased incentive for well handled wolf pelt | ENR/ITI | Initiated fall 2010 | 52 | Completed |
| | 1.3 | 3. Summary report of wolf harvest for year provided to TWG and considered in tri annual meeting | ENR | May/June 2011, 2012, 2013 | 52 | Outstanding |
| | 1.3 | 4. Consideration of summary report and recommendations made to consider wolf harvest in following year | ENR/TG/WRRB | May/June 2011, 2012, 2013 | 52 | Outstanding |
| 14) Close all commercial, outfitter and resident harvest for Bluenose-East caribou herd | 1.4.1 | 1. Interim Emergency Measures Regulation Changes set Commercial, Outfitted and Resident Harvest for Bluenose East Caribou to Zero | ENR | 1-Jan-10 | 14 | Completed |
| 15) Harvest target of 2800 Bluenose-East caribou, sharing to be determined by co-mgmt boards, aboriginal governments 16) Harvest sex ratio should be at least 85% bulls (85:15 ratio bulls:cows) for Bluenose-East herd 17) If harvest of Bluenose-East caribou near or more than 10% over | 1.4.2 | 1. Monitoring of BNE harvest done by Community monitors and winter road check station. | ENR/TG | Ongoing through hunting season Nov.2010-May 2011 | 15,16,17,18 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 1.4.2 | 2. Harvest of BNE by other aboriginal groups monitored | ENR,SRRB, | Same as above | 15,16,17,18 | Completed |
| | 1.4.2 | 3. Bi-weekly reporting of BNE harvest to WRRB, TG, SRRB | ENR/TG | Same as above | 15,16,17,18 | Completed |
| | 1.4.2 | 4. Assessment of BNE data and recommendations made to TG/ENR | TWG | Same as above | 15,16,17,18,1 | Outstanding |

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| target, close harvest by regulations 18) If Bluenose-East harvest near or likely soon over 420 cows, close cow harvest by regulations 19) Identify and make public the area to harvest Bluenose-East caribou prior to fall hunt 20) Identify and make public the area to harvest Bluenose-East caribou prior to winter hunt | 1.4.2 | 5. Annual Report of BNE harvest to WRRB, TG, SRRB | ENR/TG | July/August | 15,16,17,18 | Outstanding |
| | 1.4.2 | 6. TG & ENR suggest detailed information on caribou collar locations best limited to aboriginal groups hunting them. ENR was requested at 2007 Inuvik Caribou Summit to limit publicizing caribou collar information, consistent with conservation measures of reducing caribou harvest. | ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 19,20 | Ongoing |
| | 1.4.2 | 7. Collar Location Maps will be provided weekly to TG and WRRB during fall and winter hunting seasons. | ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 19,20 | Ongoing |
| | 1.4.2 | 8. The TWG will be kept updated of the collared caribou movements on a bi-weekly basis; if the animals begin to move out of the designated areas, discussion and re-evaluation of the zones will ensue with recommendations made to the TG and ENR. Based on winter 2010-2011, collar locations are key to assigning harvest to Bathurst, Bluenose-East herds and directing hunters – see also section 2.2.2 on radio-collars. | TG/ENR/TWG | As needed | 19,20 (29, 32 indirectly on collars) | Ongoing |
| 21) TG & ENR should not provide harvest assistance for Bluenose-East harvest | 1.4.3 | 1. ENR had previously agreed to provide limited assistance to improve a trail from Wekweèti to Hottah Lake to provide alternative hunting opportunities. ENR will monitor harvest at Hottah Lake and maintain an enforcement presence there. | ENR | Winter 2010-2011 | 21 | Ongoing |

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| 22) TG to negotiate caribou harvesting overlap agreement with Nunavut and Sahtu region | 1.4.4 | 1. TG will consider the recommendation and begin internal discussions. TG will provide a response to the WRRB once TG has considered the recommendation | TG | Apr-11 | 22 | Outstanding |
| 23) Close all commercial, outfitted and resident harvest of Beverly/Ahiak caribou in Wek'eezhii | 1.5.1 | 1. Interim Emergency Measures Regulation Changes set Commercial, Outfitted and Resident Harvest for Beverly/Ahiak Caribou to Zero | ENR | 1-Jan-10 | 23 | Completed |
| 24) TG and ENR not to provide harvest assistance and/or incentives to hunt Beverly/Ahiak caribou 26) identify and make public the area to harvest Beverly/Ahiak caribou prior to fall hunt 27) identify and make public the area to harvest Beverly/Ahiak caribou prior to winter hunt | 1.5.2 | 1. GNWT ITI has provided limited assistance to aboriginal hunters from Lutsel K'e in hunting Beverly/Ahiak caribou for several years. | ENR | Winter hunting season Nov-May | 24 | Ongoing |
| | | 2. Agreement between ENR and YKDFN provides for limited hunter assistance in accessing Beverly/Ahiak caribou during winter. | | | | Ongoing |
| | | 3. ENR expectation is that harvest of Beverly/Ahiak caribou will be similar to harvest on recent winters. ENR is working with all aboriginal hunters to monitor Beverly/Ahiak harvest in NT closely. | | | | Ongoing |
| | | 4. ENR has a cost-sharing agreement with SK and Prince Albert Grand Council to monitor caribou harvest in northern SK communities. | | | | Ongoing |
| | 1.5.2 | 1. Collar Location Maps of Beverly/Ahiak provided weekly to TG/WRRB/YKDFN | ENR | Weekly throughout harvest season | 26,27 | Ongoing |

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| | 1.5.2 | 2. The TWG will be kept updated on the caribou movements on a bi-weekly basis; if the animals begin to move out of the designated areas, discussion and re-evaluation of the zones will ensue with recommendations made to the TG and ENR. | TG/ENR/TWG | As needed | 26,27 | Ongoing |
| | 1.5.2 | 3. TG & ENR suggest detailed information on caribou collar locations best limited to aboriginal groups hunting them. ENR was requested at 2007 Inuvik Caribou Summit to limit publicizing caribou collar information, consistent with conservation measures of reducing caribou harvest. | ENR | Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons | 26,27 | Ongoing |
| 25) TG to consider caribou harvesting overlap agreements with Nunavut and Akaitcho region | 1.5.3 | 1. TG will consider the recommendation and begin internal discussions. TG will provide a response to the WRRB once TG has considered the recommendation | TG | Apr-11 | 22 | Outstanding |
| 28) The Board recommends the Tłı̨chǫ Government implement the Special Project, Using Tłı̨chǫ Knowledge to Monitor Barren Ground Caribou of the overall TK Research and Monitoring Program. 29-39 community based monitoring | | The Tłı̨chǫ Government agrees with recommendations 28-42 of the <i>Recommendation Report related to the Revised Joint Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'eezhii</i> . The Tłı̨chǫ Government is committed to documenting and reporting on observations and trends observed by caribou harvesters and elders. | TG | Implementation of the 'Tłı̨chǫ Knowledge Research and Monitoring Program: Special Project, Using Tâichô Knowledge (to Monitor Barren Ground Caribou' will take approximately eight months and is expected to be implemented by September 2011 | 28, 29-39 | Outstanding |
| 29) ENR to continue monitoring caribou recruitment via March/April | 2.2.1 | 1. Late-winter recruitment surveys (Bathurst herd) | ENR | March/April 2011, 2012, 2013 | 29 | Completed for 2011 |

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| composition surveys 31) ENR to continue monitoring caribou birth rate via June composition surveys on calving grounds 32) ENR to continue monitoring caribou sex ratio via fall composition surveys 33) ENR to estimate Bathurst herd size via calving photo-survey June 2012 39) ENR to monitor density of breeding cows on calving grounds via reconnaissance surveys | | 2. Late-winter recruitment surveys (Bluenose-East herd) | ENR | March/April 2011, 2012, to be determined | 29 | Completed for 2011 |
| | | 3. Late-winter recruitment surveys (Beverly/Ahiak herd) | ENR | March/April 2011, to be determined | 29 | Completed for 2011 |
| | | 4. Calving reconnaissance surveys (Bathurst herd) | ENR | June 2010, 2011, 2012 (2012 part of photo-survey) | 39 | Completed for 2011 |
| | | 5. Calving reconnaissance surveys (Bluenose-East herd) | ENR | June 2012, to be determined | 39 | Outstanding |
| | | 6. Calving reconnaissance surveys (Beverly/Ahiak herd) | ENR | to be determined | 39 | Completed for 2011 |
| | | 7. Composition surveys on calving grounds (Bathurst herd) | ENR | June 2012 (part of calving photo-survey) | 31 | Outstanding |
| | | 8. Fall composition surveys to assess sex ratio (Bathurst herd) | ENR | Late Oct. 2011, 2012 | 32 | Outstanding |
| | | 9. Fall composition surveys to assess sex ratio (Bluenose-East herd) | ENR | To be determined (1 survey in next 5 years) | 32 | Outstanding |
| | | 10. Fall composition surveys to assess sex ratio (Beverly/Ahiak herd) | ENR | Late Oct. 2011 | 32 | Outstanding |
| | | 11. Calving photo-survey for Bathurst herd | ENR | Jun-12 | 33 | Outstanding |
| | | 12. Post-calving photo-survey for Bluenose-East herd | ENR | July 2012 or 2013 | 33 (indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | | 13. Calving photo-survey for Beverly/Ahiak herd | Govt of Nunavut | Jun-11 | 33 (indirectly) | Completed |
| 29 & 32 request ENR to find methods other than large numbers of collars for estimating cow survival. | 2.2.2 | 1. Replacement radio-collars on Bathurst cows (maximum 20) | ENR | New collars April 2011 | 29, 32 (indirectly) | Completed |
| | 2.2.2 | Discussion of value of increased collar numbers, including technical recommendations, will involve TWG, TEWG, TG, ENR and WRRB. | ENR, TG, TWG, TEWG, WRRB | Summer 2011 | 29, 32 (indirectly) | Outstanding |
| 40) TG to monitor Tâichô caribou harvest via Traditional Knowledge | 2.2.3 | 1. Caribou harvest monitoring - winter 2010-2011 (not via TK project) | TG/ENR | Nov. 2010 – May 2011 | 40 | Completed |

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| Study, not via ENR technical methods | 2.2.3 | 2. Caribou harvest monitoring, winter 2010-2011 (via TK project) | TG | Aug. 2011 – May 2012 & thereafter | 40 | Outstanding |
| 30) Monitor health & condition of harvested caribou, but do not take cows primarily for study 38) Monitor pregnancy rate of harvested cow caribou, but do not take cows primarily for study | 2.2.4 | 1. Caribou Health & Condition Monitoring (Bathurst & Bluenose-East caribou) | TG/ENR | Nov. 2010 – May 2011 & following 2 winters | 30 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 2.2.4 | 2. Caribou Pregnancy Rate Monitoring (Bathurst & Bluenose-East caribou) | TG/ENR | Nov. 2010 – May 2011 & following 2 winters | 38 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| 34) ENR to continue wolf den occupancy surveys 35) ENR to monitor wolf condition and reproduction 36) ENR to continue monitoring wolf harvest | 2.2.5 | 1. Wolf Den Surveys (continues annual monitoring since 1996) | ENR | Summer (May-June and Aug.-Sept) | 34 | Ongoing |
| | 2.2.5 | 2. Wolf condition and reproduction monitoring. (Assessment late winter at end of wolf hunting) | ENR | Late winter annually | 35 | Outstanding |
| | 2.2.5 | 3. Wolf harvest monitoring. (Assessment late winter at end of wolf hunting) | ENR/TG | Throughout each winter | 36 | Outstanding |
| | 2.2.5 | 4. Research on wolf numbers in response to caribou. ENR N. Slave to submit a research proposal on tracking wolf numbers associated with Bathurst caribou | ENR | Summer-Fall 2011 | 34,35,36 (indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | 2.2.5 | 5. Annual reporting on wolf data and harvest | ENR | Tri Annual meeting in May/June annually | 34,35,36 | Outstanding |
| 41) ENR & TG to report on monitoring results 3 times annually to WRRB and public | 2.2.6 | 1. A summary suitable for public review will be provided to WRRB three times/year (May, Sept, Dec) by TG and ENR. | TG/ENR | May, Sept., Dec., 2011, 2012,2013 | 41 | Outstanding |

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| 44) ENR & TG to implement information flow, review & assessment as per diagram in recommendation report. 45) WRRB staff to be full participants in Technical Working Group with TG, ENR. 46) ENR & TG to develop criteria for assessing success or failure of management, including reinstatement of resident, outfitter & commercial harvest | 1.6 | 1. Annual meeting for review of winter harvest information; success of harvest monitoring and management; wolf harvest information; results of spring caribou recruitment survey; recommendations for improvement 2. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tł'chq̣ communities. | ENR/TG/WRRB | May/June annually | 1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly) | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | 1.6 | 3. Annual meeting to finalize plans for hunting season; review information from June calving reconnaissance survey and calving ground composition survey; review new information on fires, relative sincerity of insect season, or other environmental information 4. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tł'chq̣ communities. | ENR/TG/WRRB | August annually | 1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | 1.6 | 5. Annual meeting to review results of fall composition surveys; fall caribou harvest and condition information; initial info on winter caribou harvest and refine winter harvest management plans. 6. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tł'chq̣ communities. | ENR/TG/WRRB | December annually | 1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly) | Outstanding |
| | 1.6 | 7. Annual community tour to share information and consult with communities on caribou issue overall. | TG/ENR/WRRB | Jan/Feb annually | 1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly) | Ongoing |

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| | | 8. Versions of reports suitable for posting on WRRB web-site will be discussed and agreed on by TG, ENR and WRRB. | | | | Outstanding |
| 47) ENR to continue discussions with Government of Nunavut (GN) on protecting calving grounds | 4.1.1 | 1. ENR has raised issue with GN at minister's level; GNWT & GN to develop inter-jurisdictional agreement | ENR | On-going | 47 | Ongoing |
| | | 2. ENR & TG suggest issue could be raised also by TG, WRRB directly with INAC, GN | TG & WRRB | | | Outstanding |
| | | 3. BQCMB has recommended protection of Beverly, Qamanirjuaq calving grounds for several years. | BQCMB | | | Ongoing |
| 48) ENR, INAC to develop best practices for calving & post-calving ranges | 4.1.2 | 1. Best management practices for mining to be developed. | ENR, INAC, mining companies, monitoring boards | 2011-2012 | 48 | Outstanding |
| | 4.1.2 | 2. ENR is developing standard terms & conditions for land use activities, focused on mitigating impacts to wildlife & habitat | ENR | On-going | 48 | Ongoing |
| | 4.1.2 | 3. ENR meets with diamond mines & monitoring boards several times/year to review/amend wildlife monitoring & assessment & how to respond to wildlife issues | ENR, diamond mines, monitoring boards | On-going | 48 | Ongoing |
| 49) TG work towards development and implementation of land use plan for Wek'eezhii including consideration of 37) ENR and the Tłı̨chǫ Government | 4.1.3 | 1. TG notes this is responsibility of INAC and/or GNT to develop and implement a Land Use Plan for Wek'eezhii | INAC, GNT | Defer until land use plan for Tłı̨chǫ lands complete | 49 | Outstanding |
| | 4.1.4 | 1. Monitor landscape change | ENR, INAC | On-going | 50, 51(37) | Ongoing |

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| implement the state of habitat monitoring 50) ENR and INAC monitor landscape changes including fire and development 51) ENR and TG assess need for forest fire control in areas of important caribou habitat | | 2. ENR will continue to monitor annual and cumulative wild-fires and report to WRRB, TG and others. Fire program review provides an opportunity to identify key caribou winter ranges for protection. | ENR | On-going | 50,51(37) | Ongoing |
| | | 3. ENR and partners have a number of projects ending or on-going, on fire, environmental trends and cumulative effects. Will report to TG, WRRB. (Some trends in Dec. 2009 Bathurst technical report). | ENR | On-going | 50, 51(37) | Ongoing |
| 55) ENR & TG to work with WRRB on long-term plans for caribou, as per Section 12.11 of Tłı̨chǫ Agreement | 4.2 | 1. Bathurst caribou long-term management plan | ENR, TG, WRRB (& multiple other partners) | Initial discussions March 2011; TWG to review previous TG-ENR plans Apr. 2011; completion 2012 | 55 | Outstanding |
| | 4.2 | 2. Bluenose-East caribou long-term management plan | ACCW (co-mgmt boards, aboriginal govts) | On-going March 2011. | 55 | Ongoing |
| | 4.2 | 3. Beverly/Ahiak caribou long-term management plan | BQCMB | BQCMB needs to update existing plans for Qamanirjuaq, Beverly herds, Beverly/Ahiak | 55 | Ongoing |
| 54) ENR & TG to submit bison management plan to WRRB | 5.1 | 1. Bison management plan | ENR (wood bison management strategy); bison management plans - multiple partners) | Bison management plans due for 3 NT populations TG & WRRB would be part of planning for Mackenzie population. Draft plan will be provided to WRRB. | 54 | Ongoing |
| | 5.1 | 2. Regulation change to start bison hunting season Sept. 1 | ENR | Dec. 2010 | 54 | Completed |
| | 5.1 | 3. Monitoring alternate game species: ENR has increased survey effort for muskoxen and moose | ENR | 2010-2013 | N/A | Ongoing |

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| 56) TG to increase capacity to participate fully in caribou monitoring and management | 3.1.1 | 1. Establish Tłı̨chǫ Ekwo Working Group (TEWG) with representation from all 4 Tłı̨chǫ communities | TG | Dec-10 | 56 | Completed |
| | 3.1.1 | 2. TEWG meetings held every 2 months | TEWG | Ongoing | 56 | Ongoing |
| | 3.1.1 | 3. Determine ways to enhance or encourage Bull Harvest for Tłı̨chǫ. Consider both local and scientific options. | TEWG | Jul-11 | 56 | Ongoing |
| | 3.1.1 | 4. Recommendations to TWG, TG, ENR | | | | Ongoing |
| | 3.1.1 | 4. Develop Communication and Consultation strategy for Tłı̨chǫ community members. | TEWG | Jul-11 | 56 | Ongoing |
| | 3.1.1 | 5. Recommendations to TWG, TG, ENR | | | | Ongoing |
| | 3.1.1 | 6. Workshop to assess how to break Special Management Zones into smaller zones for future. | TEWG | Aug-11 | 56 | Outstanding |
| | 3.1.1 | 7. Recommendations to TWG, TG, ENR | | | | Outstanding |
| | 3.1.2 | 1. Hire Interim Tłı̨chǫ Wildlife Coordinator (TWC) for 2010-2011 winter hunting season. Reassess at end of season. | TG/ENR | February 2011 – April 2011 | 56 | Outstanding |
| | 3.1.2 | 2. Summary report and recommendations on initial TWC program | TG/ENR | Jun-11 | 56 | Outstanding |
| | 3.1.2 | 3. Hire equivalent of fulltime Tłı̨chǫ Wildlife Coordinator and assess at end of first year (may be 1 or 2 people hired) | TG/ENR | 1-Jun-11 | 56 | Outstanding |

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| 44) ENR & TG to implement information flow, review & assessment as per diagram in recommendation report. 45) WRRB staff to be full participants in Technical Working Group with TG, ENR. 46) ENR & TG to develop criteria for assessing success or failure of management, including reinstatement of resident, outfitter & commercial harvest | 3.2.1 | 1. Establishment of Technical Working Group (TG-ENR-WRRB) 2. Development of Terms of Reference | TG/ENR/ WRRB | Initial meeting Jan 2011, further meetings Feb, Mar, April 2011 | 45 | Completed |
| | 3.2.1 | 2. Official TWG meetings held 3 times/year as per adaptive co-management cycle to review key information and data | TG/ENR/ WRRB | May, Aug, Dec | 44, 45,46 | Ongoing |
| | 3.2.1 | 3. Regular Meetings of TWG to ensure frequent communication is maintained between parties | TG/ENR/ WRRB | Monthly or on as needed basis | 44,45 | Ongoing |
| | 3.2.1 | 4. Information flow between TG, ENR and WRRB as per diagram below. TG & ENR suggest 3-way dialogue between TG, ENR, WRRB | TG/ENR/ WRRB | Regular meetings & communication by email, phone | 44 | Ongoing |
| | 3.2.1 | Criteria on success or failure of management actions | TG, ENR, WRRB | Initial criteria May 2010 | 46 | Outstanding |
| 42) TG to develop & implement YK hunter/conservation education program 43) ENR to develop & implement scientific hunter/conservation education program | 3.2.2 | 1. Assessment of current conservation education and caribou education materials & options from TG and ENR (Traditional knowledge and Science) | TEWG/TG/ENR | Feb 13-15, 2011 workshop | 42,43 | Outstanding |
| | 3.2.2 | 2. ENR contractor to focus on hunter education programs (started fall 2010), including collaborative programs with TG, other partners) | ENR/partners | Fall 2010 | 42,43 | Ongoing |
| | 3.2.2 | 3. Development of Sub-committee to determine conservation education needs and gaps from science and TK perspective | TG/ENR, TEWG | Jun-11 | 42,43 | Ongoing |
| | 3.2.2 | 4. Recommendation Report written to move forward education initiatives | TG/ENR | Sep-11 | 42,43 | Outstanding |

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| 57) TG, ENR & INAC to implement WRRB recommendations by Jan. 1, 2011 58) TG & ENR to consult on WRRB recommendations by Jan. 1, 2011 59) ENR & TG to develop detailed implementation & consultation plan as soon as possible | 3.3.1 | 1. Implementation began Nov. 2010 when winter hunt began | ENR/TG | Varied – Nov. 2010 – March 2011 | 57 | Completed |
| | 3.3.1 | 2. TG carried out consultation meetings on caribou management in Whati, Gameti, Behchokǫ̀ and Wek'weeti | TG | Nov. 2010 & Jan. 2011 | 58 | Completed |
| | 3.3.1 | 3. 1st draft implementation plan Dec. 22, 2010; further drafts in Feb. and Mar. 2011; draft plans available to WRRB staff | TG/ENR | Final implementation plan due April 2011 | | Completed |
| 60) ENR develop and implement as effective and continuing enforcement and compliance program | 3.3.2 | 1. ENR has increased enforcement presence in Tłı̨chǫ communities and in hunting areas used by Tłı̨chǫ & YKDFN hunters. | ENR | Increased officer presence in communities and hunting areas started Nov. 2010, will continue to end hunting season. | 60 | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |
| | | ENR wildlife officers and other staff spending increased amount of time in Tłı̨chǫ communities, at check-stations, and working with community monitors tracking caribou harvest | | | | Completed for 2011 winter harvest |