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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 Tłıchq 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 Tłıchq 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 Tłıchq 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 Tłıchq harvesters are engaged in all aspects of management.

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If you have any questions, please contact the WRRB office at (867) 873-5740 or [jsnortland@wrrb.ca](mailto:jsnortland@wrrb.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "J. Grant Pryznyk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "J. Grant" and last name "Pryznyk" clearly distinguishable.

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<b>1) TG and ENR to report annually on success of harvest target approach to Bathurst aboriginal harvest management</b>	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
<b>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 &amp; 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 &amp; TG to make public prior to 2012 Bathurst survey their position on reinstatement of resident harvest</b>	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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<b>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</b>	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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<b>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</b>	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
<b>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.</b>	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 Tłı̨chǫ 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
<b>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 Tłıchǫ Government and ENR believe that focused wolf control is required, a management proposal shall be provided to the WRRB for its consideration.</b>	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
<b>14) Close all commercial, outfitter and resident harvest for Bluenose-East caribou herd</b>	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
<b>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</b>	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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<b>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</b>	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
<b>21) TG &amp; ENR should not provide harvest assistance for Bluenose-East harvest</b>	1.4.3	1.ENR had previously agreed to provide limited assistance to improve a trail from Wekweëti 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	Applicable to fall (Aug-Sept) and winter (Nov-May) hunting seasons	26,27	Ongoing
		ENR was requested at 2007 Inuvik Caribou Summit to limit publicizing caribou collar information, consistent with conservation measures of reducing caribou harvest.				
<b>25) TG to consider caribou harvesting overlap agreements with Nunavut and Akaitcho region</b>	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
<b>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</b>		The Tłı̨chǫ Governemnt agrees with recommendations 28-42 of the <i>Recommendation Report related to the Revised Joint Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'èezhìi</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 Tłı̨chǫ Knowledge (to Monitor Barren Ground Caribou' will take approximately eight months and is expected to be implemented by September 2011	28, 29-39	Outstanding
<b>29) ENR to continue monitoring caribou recruitment via March/April</b>	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 Tâîchô 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	ENR/TG/WRRB	May/June annually	1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly)	Completed for 2011 winter harvest
		2. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tłı̨chǫ communities.				Outstanding
		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	ENR/TG/WRRB	August annually	1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly)	Outstanding
		4. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tłı̨chǫ communities.				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.	ENR/TG/WRRB	December annually	1,41,44,45, 46 (in part or indirectly)	Outstanding
		6. Summary report written and submitted to WRRB and shared with Tłı̨chǫ communities.				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
<b>47) ENR to continue discussions with Government of Nunavut (GN) on protecting calving grounds</b>	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
<b>48) ENR, INAC to develop best practices for calving &amp; post-calving ranges</b>	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
<b>49) TG work towards development and implementation of land use plan for Wek'eezhii including consideration of 37) ENR and the Tłıchǫ Government</b>	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 Tłıchǫ 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 Tłıchǵ 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	ACCWM (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 Tłıchǵ Ekwo Working Group (TEWG) with representation from all 4 Tłıchǵ 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 Tłıchǵ. Consider both local and scientific options.	TEWG	Jul-11	56	Ongoing
		4. Recommendations to TWG, TG, ENR				Ongoing
	3.1.1	4. Develop Communication and Consultation strategy for Tłıchǵ community members.	TEWG	Jul-11	56	Ongoing
		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
		7. Recommendations to TWG, TG, ENR				Outstanding
	3.1.2	1. Hire Interim Tłıchǵ 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 Tłıchǵ 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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<b>44) ENR &amp; TG to implement information flow, review &amp; assessment as per diagram in recommendation report. 45) WRRB staff to be full participants in Technical Working Group with TG, ENR. 46) ENR &amp; TG to develop criteria for assessing success or failure of management, including reinstatement of resident, outfitter &amp; commercial harvest</b>	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
<b>42) TG to develop &amp; implement YK hunter/conservation education program 43) ENR to develop &amp; implement scientific hunter/conservation education program</b>	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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<b>57) TG, ENR &amp; INAC to implement WRRB recommendations by Jan. 1, 2011 58) TG &amp; ENR to consult on WRRB recommendations by Jan. 1, 2011 59) ENR &amp; TG to develop detailed implementation &amp; consultation plan as soon as possible</b>	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, Behchokò 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
<b>60) ENR develop and implement as effective and continuing enforcement and compliance program</b>	3.3.2	1. ENR has increased enforcement presence in Tłıchǫ communities and in hunting areas used by Tłıchǫ & 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 Tłıchǫ communities, at check-stations, and working with community monitors tracking caribou harvest				Completed for 2011 winter harvest