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**RE: Wildlife Research Permit Application – NWT Biodiversity Monitoring Program: Deploying Environmental sensors from Gamètì to Hottah Lake**

The Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) has reviewed your Wildlife Research Permit application under Section 12.5.1 of the Tłı̨chq Agreement, and understands that the objectives of the Biodiversity Monitoring Program are to 1) support community-led wildlife monitoring in Mqwhì Gogha Dè Nı̨ttèè, 2) collect wildlife occurrence, abundance and microclimate data, 3) co-produce knowledge of the distribution, abundance, trends and composition of wildlife communities in the area, 4) combine data from this project and other NWT Biodiversity Monitoring Program projects to co-produce knowledge of the distribution, abundance, trends and composition of wildlife across the NWT, and how these wildlife communities are responding to climate and landscape change.

The proposed research, scheduled from March 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027, at approximately 25 sites located from Gamètì north to Hottah Lake, involves the following:

- At 25 locations, environmental sensors (wildlife cameras, acoustic recorders, bat recorders, and temperature loggers) will be deployed in areas with different habitat types;
- Sensors will be deployed by snowmobile by the Tłı̨chq Government Gamètì Guardians; and,
- Sensors will be retrieved approximately one year after deployment.

The WRRB has reviewed your application and has no concerns with the project as presented.

The WRRB requests that results be provided to the Board upon completion of work. Please feel free to give us a call with any questions you might have.

Sincerely,



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