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Via Email

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Re: Supporting Documentation – 2026 Sahti Ekwò Management Proceeding

On July 17, 2026, Environment & Climate Change (ECC), Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) and Tłıchǫ Government (TG) submitted a joint management proposal, entitled “*Joint Proposal on Management Actions for the Bluenose-East Barren-ground Caribou (Sahti Ekwò) Herd 2027-2030*” (“the Proposal”) to the WRRB, outlining proposed management actions for Sahti Ekwò zin Wek'èezhì. Following an initial assessment of the Proposal, the WRRB determined that a Level 2 review is appropriate, as per its Rule for Management Proposals. The Board opened the 2026 Sahti Ekwò Management Proceeding on August 27, 2026.

As per Section 12.3.11 of the Tłıchǫ Agreement, the WRRB is required to establish and maintain a public file for information received in order to make its determinations and recommendations. On August 27, 2026, the WRRB's online public registry was opened for the 2026 Sahti Ekwò Management Proceeding: <http://www.wrrb.ca/public-information/public-registry>.

In order to ensure that all Parties to the 2026 Sahti Ekwò Management Proceeding have relevant documentation available on the Public Registry for referencing, a list of supporting documentation is attached for review. **The WRRB requests that all Parties review the attached list and consent to posting on the Public Registry by no later than 12:00 p.m. on October 9, 2026.** If no response is received, the Board will consider the list acceptable by the Parties. Posting will occur on October 13, 2026. The WRRB may post additional documentation to the Public Registry up to and including November 6, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (867) 873-5740 or jpellissey@wrrb.ca.

Sincerely,



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