



PUBLIC LISTENING UPDATE:

Sahtú Ragóza (Hunting Laws) and Approaches to Wildlife Harvesting

Colville 2020 Public Listening update addendum: What is an Information Request?

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Dear Sahtú leaders, Parties, and neighbours:

Further to our update sent on November 22, we've realized that the legal concept of an "Information Request" (IR) in a Public Hearing context may not be familiar to everyone. The IR process provides Parties and the SRRB with an opportunity to obtain information from other Parties related to the main topic of the proceeding. Exchanging IR questions and responses also allows the Board and Parties the opportunity to narrow the scope of unanswered questions and identify key issues before the Public Listening Session (Hearing). Parties often become more aware of important information gaps or unanswered questions as they are gathering information to prepare their written submissions and presentations.

Everyone has the opportunity to provide the SRRB with their IR questions, either in writing or orally. The SRRB will compile any IRs, including questions from the Board, and send them to the Parties to which they are directed. Some IRs may apply to more than one or all the Parties.

We understand that community and other Parties may still be in the early information gathering phase, so some may not be ready to issue an IR by the Round 1 deadline of November 25 (today). A second opportunity is offered with a Round 2 IR, due before or by December 20. This will give Parties an opportunity to consider the responses to Round 1 IRs and any new questions or gaps that have come to light.

Please send IRs to <u>info@srrb.nt.ca</u> or provide IRs orally at 867-588-4040. Don't hesitate to call or email us if you have any questions!