## Teleconference Meeting Minutes



December 16, 2014 1 pm – 5 pm Minutes by Joe Hanlon

### List of Acronyms Used

ENR	Environment and Natural Resources, Government of the Northwest Territories
ESRF	Environmental Studies Research Fund
AANDC	Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
SRRB	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board
GRRB	Gwichin Renewable Resources Board
ACCWM	Advisory Committee for Cooperation on Wildlife Management
RRC	Renewable Resources Council

#### List of Attendees

#### **Board Members**

Paul Latour, Lesley Allen, Jeff Walker

#### Staff

Deborah Simmons (Executive Director), Joe Hanlon (program coordinator)

#### Guests

Janine Flood (AANDC Implementation), Janet Winbourne (GIS Specialist), Heidi Brown (GIS specialist), Lorraine Land (Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP)

## Meeting Agenda

- 1. Introductions/quorum check, agenda review
- 2. SRRB Consultation Guidelines Workshop (Déljnę, January 30) Jessica Iveson and Lorraine Land
- 3. Sahtú Research Results Workshop (Tulít'a, January 20-22)
- 4. Sahtú Caribou/Harvesting Workshop (Délįnę, January 27-29), and Harvest Study completion update Deb and Janet Winbourne
- 5. Spatial Data Management internal report Heidi Brown
- 6. Previous meeting Minutes
- 7. Decisions between meetings
- 8. Species At Risk consultation approach and SARC representative to replace Paul
- 9. Follow-up re Ross River FN/Dechenla recommendations: suggest deferring to next fiscal year due to lack of SRRB staff capacity
- 10. Research requests:
- 11. Karen Dunmall re change in objective for Arctic Salmon funding
- 12. Bindu Panikkar re Northern Contaminants Program proposal
- 13. SRRB Implementation submission update from Janine Flood
- 14. In-camera session

## 1. Introductions/quorum check, agenda review

## 2. SRRB Consultation Guidelines Workshop (Délįnę, January 30) – Jessica Iveson and Lorraine Land

Proposed Agenda: 1) Introduction. 2) Review of GRRB Rules, Procedures, Structure (Staff, Budget), Similarities and Differences. 3) Feedback from our Board on proposed guidelines (provided by Jessica before the in-person meeting in January). 4) Walk through the process for setting a harvest limit. 5) Talk about specific issues that need to be covered in the process, such as (a) caribou management, (b) interaction with communities and RRCs, and (c) longer term research/development for the board to make decisions.

#### Discussion:

One goal would be to develop rules of thumb for determining the scope and scale of consultation on a particular issue. GRRB has different processes for different types of decisions that they make.

Federal government guidelines, Makivic court ruling and Yukon umbrella agreement (Peel Watershed) will be considered.

From community perspective – what does it mean to communities to be able to participate meaningfully in consultation?

From Board perspective - why consult, when to consult, and how to consult.

### 3. Sahtú Research Results Workshop (Tulít'a, January 20-22)

Workshop background: \$50,000 received from ESRF. Hefty list of researchers and community members who would like to participate. Draft design sent out for the workshop with three different thematic days: water/wildlife/habitat, data compilation, how research is done/framework for research/research agenda.

2 RRC delegates per community were invited to attend (1 being Sahtú Environmental Research Monitoring Forum delegate)

# 4. Sahtú Caribou/Harvesting Workshop (Délįnę, January 27-29), and Harvest Study completion update – Deb and Janet Winbourne

Workshop agenda reviewed

Main issue will be limitation of the harvest. A proper hearing may be needed once caribou plan is revealed. By the end of January we will have a better understanding of where the Minister is at. ACCWM feels that Bathurst should be separated from Bluenose, and ACCWM is undertaking an action planning process, Janet Winbourne will be the technical writer for that.

Harvest Study Completion – For the meeting a statistical analysis will be available; also Janet will provide harvest numbers and spatial info for barren ground caribou. Data is from 2004, and no plans at the moment to gather more info at this meeting. Information generated from data will be explained and also will biases, shortfalls and problems.

It is important to emphasize alternative species approach, everything from muskrats to moose.

#### 5. Spatial Data Management internal report – Heidi Brown

Heidi outlined mapping project.

Heidi described a possible program for storing/accessing TK data.

### 6. Previous meeting Minutes

#### Motion M2014-032

M2014-032	Lesley Allen/ Jeff Walker. The SRRB approved Meeting	Consensus
	Minutes from the November 12, 2014 Teleconference.	

#### 7. Decisions between meetings

Number	Description	Result
D2014-030	Approve Board Analysis and implementation submission to AANDC.	Consensus
D2014-031	Approve revised letter to the ENR minister regarding Bathurst and Bluenose caribou actions.	Consensus
D2014-032	Approve the revised NWT Species At Risk assessment schedule.	Consensus

#### Motion M2014-033

M2014-033	Lesley Allen/Jeff Walker. The SRRB approved decisions	Consensus
	made between meetings.	

# 8. Species At Risk consultation approach and SARC representative to replace Paul

Paul needs to be replaced by this spring, it involves a decent amount of reading. Replacement could also be a staff member, Paul will check with Claire.

9. Follow-up re Ross River FN/Dechenla recommendations: suggest deferring to next fiscal year due to lack of SRRB staff capacity

## 10. Research requests:

a. Karen Dunmall re change in objective for Arctic Salmon funding Karen is doing good work, rolling over money year to year.

#### b. Bindu Panikkar re Northern Contaminants Program proposal

Board is concerned about sampling of human tissues, social/cultural elements to it, would need more information before study can be considered. Proposal was not approved at this time.

## 11. SRRB Implementation submission – update from Janine Flood

Janine appreciated the linking of land claim obligations and costs to fulfill them, and this information will be so useful in negotiations and planning budgets.

#### 12. In-camera session

#### Motion M2014-034

M2014-034	Lesley Allen/Jeff Walker. The SRRB moved to go to in-	Consensus
	camera session at 4:45 pm.	

#### Motion M2014-035

M2014-035	Lesley Allen. Meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm	Consensus

## **Approval of Minutes**

Approved by Board Motion M2014-036 - January 29, 2015



Paul Latour, Vice Chair

## Summary of Motions

Number	Description	Result
M2014-032	Lesley Allen/ Jeff Walker. The SRRB approved Meeting Minutes from the November 12, 2014 Teleconference.	Consensus
M2014-033	Lesley Allen/Jeff Walker. The SRRB approved decisions made between meetings.	Consensus
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