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**Subject:** ENR Reports - Response to SRRB Information Request 2.1

Jody:

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) is submitting to the SRRB published and draft reports on the Bluenose-West herd of barren-ground caribou as per your Information Request to Susan Fleck, Director, Fisheries and Wildlife, ENR, Yellowknife on November 9, 2007. Ms. Fleck has requested that I respond to your board on this request and I am pleased to do so.

I have attached digital files for the 2 smaller-size reports (under 1 MB) and will send the 13 larger PDFs to you via the FTP site, as per usual. The hardcopies of the reports have been given to NorthWright and will be on the late afternoon flight to Tulita.

## 1) Published Reports

Estimates of the number of barren-ground caribou in the Cape Bathurst and Bluenose-West herds and reindeer/caribou on the upper Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula derived using post-calving photography, July 2006 (Nagy and Johnson 2006; MR # 171)

Seasonal ranges of the Cape Bathurst, Bluenose-West, and Bluenose-East barrenground caribou herds. Nagy, Wright, Slack, and Veitch 2005; MR #167)

**2) Draft reports**. The department is in the process of publishing these reports, which are highlighted in yellow. If you have requests from others for the unpublished information, please ask the individuals to contact Susan Fleck, Director, Wildlife & Fisheries, ENR, Yellowknife. MR reports are Manuscript Reports.

Estimates of the number of barren-ground caribou in the Cape Bathurst and Bluenose-West herds, July 1986 & 1987; a reanalysis of post-calving photography (Nagy, MacLean, and Russell 2007; MR draft)

Estimates of the number of barren-ground caribou in the Cape Bathurst and Bluenose-West herds derived using post-calving photography, July 1992 (Nagy and Fraser, 2007, MR draft)

Estimates of the number of barren-ground caribou in the Cape Bathurst and Bluenose-West Herd derived using Post calving photography, July 2000 (Nagy and Bucher, 2006, MR draft)

Bluenose-West and Cape Bathurst caribou herds calving ground classification survey June 200, 2001 (Nagy, 2002, draft report)

Estimates of the number of barren-ground caribou in the Cape Bathurst and Bluenose-West Herd derived using Post calving photography, July 2005 (Nagy and Johnson 2006, MR draft)

Calf:cow ratios estimated at or near the peak of calving for the Bluenose-West herd, 2002 to 2005 (Nagy and Johnson 2007, MR draft

Defining herds within the range of 'Bluenose' barren-ground caribou in Canada's Northwest Territories and Nunavut (Nagy, Veitch, Zittlau, Branigan, Larter, Wright, Gunn, Cooley, Patterson & Strobeck 2001; Journal of Wildlife Management draft)

Barren-ground caribou distribution in late winter 2004, western NWT (D'Hont, Gunn, Nagy, Popko & Veitch 2005; MR draft)

April 2007 recruitment survey field summary - Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, Cape Bathurst, and Bluenose-West herds (Davision and Popko 2007; Field Report draft)

June 2007 calving ground survey - Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, Cape Bathurst, and Bluenose-West herds (Davison and Popko 2007; Field Report draft)

July 2007 productivity field summary - Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, Cape Bathurst, and Bluenose-West herds (Davison, Adams, and Branigan 2007; Field Report draft)

**3) Withdrawn report**. This report was withdrawn and has therefore not been available to the public. The data were re-assessed in Nagy, MacLean, and Russell (above)

Photocensus of the Bluenose Caribou Herd in July 1986 and 1987 (MacLean and Russell MR No 108).

## 4) Website report

Defining herds within the range of Bluenose barren-ground caribou (Nagy, Veitch, Branigan, Larter, Wright, Gunn, Cooley, Patterson & Strobeck)

Either myself or Ms. Fleck are available to answer any questions you may have about these reports.

As for the request to provide digital data from the ENR WMIS system - all the necessary data are contained within the tables and figures in the reports provided.

Sincerely,

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