



Déłıne 2021
Public Listening
Tıch'ádıı hé Gots'edı
Living with Wildlife



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Déłıne 2021 Virtual Public Listening Announcement
and Information Requests

Tıch'ádıı hé Gots'edı (Living with Wildlife) *Predators and Competitors*

April 19-23, 2021

Notice to Sahtú leaders and the public, **December 1, 2020**

Background

The Déłıne Got'ıne Government, Déłıne ʔehdzo Got'ıne (Renewable Resources Council) and ʔehdzo Got'ıne Gots'é Nákedı (Sahtú Renewable Resources Board - SRRB) invites participation in a **Virtual Public Listening on *Tıch'ádıı hé Gots'edı (Living with Wildlife) – Predators and Competitors* to be held during the week of April 19-23, 2021.**

The event is the second of five Public Listening Sessions which, together, constitute a Sahtú region-wide public hearing on emerging caribou conservation issues and community conservation planning processes for wildlife in the Sahtú region, addressing the question, “What is the most effective way to conserve caribou?”

The Déłıne 2021 Public Listening Session will address the central question, “What should people’s role be in maintaining healthy relationships between caribou and other wildlife?” We welcome interested individuals and organisations to apply for status as formally registered Parties.

To provide as much time for preparation as possible, this announcement includes a first round of Information Requests, as well as a timeline of activities for the 2021 Public Listening Session. The Information Requests relate both to the topic of “Predators and Competitors,” and questions arising from the SRRB’s Colville 2020 Public Listening Report, *Sahtú Ragóza (Hunting Law) and Approaches to Wildlife Harvesting*.

Information Requests

The SRRB requests that interested parties submit information and web links relevant to the central question of the Délı̄ne 2021 Public Listening Session. We also ask that parties provide responses to the following Round 1 IR questions by **January 20, 2021**.

Information Request (IR) 1.1:

Tı̄ch'ádı̄ he Gots'edı̄ – Caribou, Predators and Competitors

A. The Conservation Picture: Caribou, People and Planning

SRRB IRs to all interested parties

1. How are the caribou doing? Have you noticed any changes over the past year?
2. How are the people doing? Have you noticed any changes over the past year?
3. How is the community conservation planning approach progressing?

B. Predators

SRRB IRs to all interested parties

1. What stories or knowledge would you like to share about the past and present relationships between caribou, díga (wolf) and Dene/Métis?
2. Should people play a role in controlling díga populations to help caribou now? If so, what should this look like?
3. Are there any concerns that you have about other predators and their impacts on caribou?

C. Competitors

SRRB IRs to all interested parties

1. What stories or knowledge would you like to share about the relationships between caribou, ʔejı̄re (muskoxen) and Dene/Métis?
2. Should there be more encouragement to harvest ʔejı̄re for food security and commercial harvest, and to help caribou? If so, what should this look like?
3. Are there any other concerns that you have about other competitors and their impacts on caribou?

Information Request 1.2:

Sahtú Ragóʔa (Hunting Law) and Approaches to Wildlife Harvesting

The following IRs arise from SRRB decisions and recommendations from the Colville 2020 Public Listening Session.

SRRB IRs to all interested parties

1. The SRRB made five recommendations related to barren-ground caribou hunting areas in the Sahtú region (Recommendations 7.1-7.5). Further evidence is needed to address area boundaries appropriately with respect to community jurisdictions. How should the Sahtú region define jurisdictions for barren-ground caribou harvest regulation?
2. Oral submissions to the Colville 2020 Public Listening Session indicate that *Wildlife Act* residency provisions and hunter education remain a “hot topic” within the Sahtú region. The SRRB wishes to consider this topic at the 2021 Public Listening Session. What roles do

residency requirements and hunter education play in fostering or inhibiting respect for Dene harvesting protocols?

Déłıne 2021 Virtual Public Listening Session Timeline

December 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Listening announcement
December 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teleconference #1 (1-4 pm) Posting of plan checklist
December-March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community workshops to prepare presentations
January 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline to register as a Party Posting of IK/science toolkit
January 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nę K'ə Dene Ts'ıłı - Living on the Land Forum meeting to prepare for planning workshop (1-4 pm) Deadline for responses to Round 1 Information Requests (IRs)
January 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First deadline for submission of draft plans and updates (January 26) Round 2 IRs
January 26-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual regional planning workshop for community panels
February 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for responses to Round 2 IRs Final deadline for submission of draft plans
February 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Round 3 IRs
March 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for responses to Round 3 IRs
April 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teleconference #2 (1-4 pm)
April 19-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual Public Listening Session with community bubbles

Learn more, register as a Party, or submit information!

The Public Registry for the Déłıne 2021 Public Listening Session is online at www.srrb.nt.ca. The Public Registry includes forms for registering as a Party (deadline **January 15, 2021**), and for commenting or providing information related to the Public Listening themes and questions. Written submissions can also be provided by email to info@srrb.nt.ca. If you would prefer to answer the questions orally, please contact SRRB staff at 867-588-4040. These oral submissions will be documented under the SRRB's protocol for documentation and validation of oral submissions.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments about the proceeding.