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**VIA EMAIL** 

Dear Mr. Cliffe-Phillips:

Government of the Northwest Territories' annual measures implementation report for the Tłıcho All-season Road Project (EA 1617-01, Measures 14-1 and 14-2)

On behalf of the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT), we are pleased to provide the attached Annual Report on implementation of Tłįchǫ All-season Road Project measures. The Annual Report describes the implementation of measures directed to the developer (Measure 14-1) and to the GNWT (Measure 14-2). Where the measures are directed to the developer, the Department of Infrastructure (INF) has provided the response; where the measures are directed to the GNWT or specific departments within the GNWT, departments with mandates related to the measure have provided the response.

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board's (Review Board), March 29, 2018 Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision (REA) for the GNWT's, as led by INF (the developer), Tłıcho All-season Road Project includes measures 14-1 and 14-2: Annual Reporting from the Developer, and Annual Reporting from Regulatory Authorities and Government.

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#### The measures read as follows:

Measure 14-2: Annual reporting from the developer

To demonstrate how measures are being implemented and to evaluate the effectiveness of the developer's efforts to prevent or minimize impacts on the environment, the developer will, throughout all phases of the development, prepare an annual report on the implementation of measures. The report will address the measures that the developer is responsible for and will:

- a) describe the actions, including actions implemented through adaptive management, being undertaken to implement the measures; and,
- b) evaluate how effective the implementation actions are in reducing or avoiding the impact (considering the results of monitoring programs and adaptive management frameworks). Where applicable, provide references to further information contained in other management plans or monitoring reports.

The developer will provide its annual report to the Review Board one year from the date of the final approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter

Measure 14-2: Annual reporting from government and regulatory authorities To help evaluate the effectiveness of mitigation measures for the protection of the environment, each regulatory authority or government that is wholly or partly responsible for implementation of any measure in this Report of Environmental Assessment will prepare an annual report on implementation of measures. The report will:

- a) describe the actions being undertaken to implement the measures or the part(s) of the measures for which the regulatory authority or government is responsible; and,
- b) explain how these actions, including those implemented through

adaptive management, fulfill the intent of the EA measures, including consideration of the following questions:

i. How are implementation actions addressing a likely significant adverse impact on the environment?

ii. How effective are implementation actions at reducing or avoiding the impact or its likelihood?

Government and regulators are only responsible for reporting on the implementation actions they take, not actions taken by the developer. For example, if a regulator does not issue an authorization, provide direction to the developer, approve a management plan, or take other actions that relate to an EA measure(s) in a given year, the regulator will not need to submit a report for that year.

The governments and regulators will provide their annual reports to the Review Board one year from the date of the final approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter.

As required by the October 25, 2018 decision letter on EA 1617-01 from the Minister of Lands on behalf of responsible ministers, and by sub-section 130(5) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, the GNWT provides the attached Report on Implementation of the Tłįchǫ All-season Road Project Measures. This Annual Report lists all measures as adopted by the responsible ministers and Tłįchǫ Government and summarizes GNWT action to date, along with links to relevant documents. The GNWT has chosen to report on activities subject to the measure, up to and including September 30<sup>th</sup> of this calendar year.

Measures directed wholly or in part to the GNWT as the developer are:

- Measure 5-1 Monitoring health and well-being impacts to Whatì
- Measure 5-2 Tłįchǫ monitoring, engagement and reporting
- Measure 5-3 Safety of young women in relation to work camps

- Measure 5-4 Employee awareness training and policies
- Measure 5-5 Community engagement and grievance mechanisms
- Measure 5-7 Prioritize Northern hiring
- Measure 6-3 Habitat offset and restoration plan
- Measure 7-1 Incorporate Traditional Knowledge into caribou monitoring
- Measure 8-1 Fisheries Management Plan
- Measure 9-2 Cultural sensitivity in work camps and communities
- Measure 9-3 Include Traditional Knowledge from all relevant groups
- Measure 10-1 Bird species at risk and migratory bird mitigation
- Measure 10-2 Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan approval
- Measure 11-1 Permafrost Management Plan
- Measure 14-2 Annual reporting from the developer

Measures directed wholly or in part to the non-developer departments of the GNWT:

- Measure 5-2 Tłįchǫ monitoring, engagement and reporting
- Measure 6-1 Develop and implement range plans for boreal caribou
- Measure 6-2 Determine sustainable harvest levels for boreal caribou
- Measure 6-3 Habitat offset and restoration plan
- Measure 7-2 Barren ground caribou mitigation and policy changes
- Measure 9-1 Monitoring harvest and managing wildlife
- Measure 10-2 Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan approval
- Measure 14-1 Annual reporting from government and regulatory authorities

Suggestions directed to the developer or the GNWT are being considered as appropriate.

Should the Review Board or any parties have any questions, please contact Darren Campbell, Project Assessment Analyst, by phone at (867) 767-9183 (Ext. 24024) or email at <u>Darren Campbell@gov.nt.ca</u> or Benjamin Bey, Environmental Analyst, by email at Benjamin\_Bey@gov.nt.ca or by phone at (867) 767-9083 (Ext. 31058).

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# Government of the Northwest Territories' Report

for

## Tłįchǫ All-Season Road Project Annual Measures Reporting

(Measures 14-1 and 14-2)

EA1617-01

#### **SUBMITTED TO**

Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board 200 Scotia Centre, P.O. Box 938 YELLOWKNIFE, NT X1A 2N7 October 25, 2019

## Thcho All-Season Road: Final Environmental Assessment Measures Reporting Table

The following table summarizes annual reporting for 2018-2019 on the Tłįchǫ All-Season Road (TASR, the Project) measures (EA 1617-01) on behalf of the GNWT, both as the developer (Measure 14-1) and as Government and Regulatory Authorities (Measure 14-2). This report includes a summary of activities related to each of the measures in the *Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision* for the Project for the period of October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

The Tłıcho All-Season Road measures that require annual reporting be provided to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board are written as follows:

## Measure 14-1: Annual reporting from the developer

To demonstrate how measures are being implemented and to evaluate the effectiveness of the developer's efforts to prevent or minimize impacts on the environment, the developer will, throughout all phases of the development, prepare an annual report on the implementation of measures. The report will address the measures that the developer is responsible for and will:

- a) describe the actions, including actions implemented through adaptive management, being undertaken to implement the measures; and,
- b) evaluate how effective the implementation actions are in reducing or avoiding the impact (considering the results of monitoring programs and adaptive management frameworks). Where applicable, provide references to further information contained in other management plans or monitoring reports.

The developer will provide its annual report to the Review Board one year from the date of the final approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter.

## **Measure 14-2: Annual Reporting from Government and Regulatory Authorities:**

To help evaluate the effectiveness of mitigation measures for the protection of the environment, each regulatory authority or government that is wholly or partly responsible for implementation of any measure in this Report of Environmental Assessment will prepare an annual report on implementation of measures. The report will:

- a) describe the actions being undertaken to implement the measures or the part(s) of the measures for which the regulatory authority or government is responsible; and,
- b) explain how these actions, including those implemented through adaptive management, fulfill the intent of the EA measures, including consideration of the following questions:
  - i. How are implementation actions addressing a likely significant adverse impact on the environment?
  - ii. How effective are implementation actions at reducing or avoiding the impact or its likelihood?

Government and regulators are only responsible for reporting on the implementation actions they take, not actions taken by the developer. For example, if a regulator does not issue an authorization, provide direction to the developer, approve a management plan, or take other actions that relate to an EA measure(s) in a given year, the regulator will not need to submit a report for that year.

The governments and regulators will provide their annual reports to the Review Board one year from the date of the final approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter.

MEASURE		MEASURE SPECIFICS	DESCRIPTION OF HOW MEASURE IS BEING SATISFIED and UNDER WHICH MEASURE (14-1 or 14-2) THE REPORT IS BEING MADE
Community v	vell-being		
Measure 5-1	Developer's support of monitoring and adaptive management of adverse health and well-being impacts  Part 1 Monitor adverse health and well-being impacts to the Community of Whatì  Part 2 Reporting  Part 3 Adaptive management and reevaluation	5-1. Part 1: Monitoring adverse health and well-being impacts to the Community of Whati To inform mitigation of significant cumulative and project-specific adverse impacts on the health and well-being of the Community of Whatì, the developer will support the Tłįcho Government and Community Government of Whatì in the monitoring and evaluation of direct and indirect impacts of the Project on the health and well-being of the Community of Whatì. These will include:  • the anticipated initial spike in harmful behaviours associated with increased access to drugs and alcohol;  • traffic accidents on the road;  • change in safety of young women and other vulnerable groups; and,  • change in harvest success rates and availability of country foods in Whatì.  Monitoring will meet the requirements of Appendix C.  5-1. Part 2: Reporting The developer will support the Tłįcho overnment and Community Government of Whatì in preparing an annual progress report on their efforts to mitigate impacts on health and well-being to the Community of Whatì.  5-1 Part 3: Adaptive management and re-evaluation The developer, in collaboration with the Tłįcho overnment and Community Government of Whatì, will support the adaptive management of health and well-being impacts, following guidance in Appendix B.  The developer will support the Tłįcho overnment and Community Government of Whatì, in the monitoring, engagement, reporting and adaptive management described in this measure for each year of construction and for a minimum of ten years of Project operations.	a)  5-1 Part 1: Monitoring adverse health and well-being impacts to Whati: The Thcho All-Season Road is in the early phases of construction, with all permitting requirements being obtained in early September. As the road is only just being constructed, direct and indirect impacts of the Project on the health and well-being of the Community of Whatl are not anticipated at this time. The developer is, in preparation for completion of the construction of the road, working with and supporting the Thicho overnment and the Community overnment of Whatl as they prepare for road opening. The Thicho overnment (T) hosted a three day Measure Review and Implementation Planning Workshop in January 2019, which was attended by staff from the Thich overnment (T) the overnment of the Northwest Territories (NWT), Thich Community Services Agency (TCSA), and the Community Governments of Behchoke and Whati (CGB & CGW). During this meeting, a session was held to discuss socio-economic, health and way of life monitoring and reporting under measures 5-1 and 5-2.  2. A key outcome from this session was the joint commitment of the parties to create the Health and Well-being Working Group for the TASR. The primary objective of this group is to cooperatively develop the health and well-being indicators, including thresholds and adaptive management plans relating to impacts from the TASR. The group will use a cooperative approach to come to a clear understanding of, approach to, and development of monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of indicators related to Measures 5-1 and 5-2. A draft Terms of Reference was developed in April 2019 and shared with all working group members, including staff from the TG, TCSA, GNWT departments of Health and Social Services (HSS) and Infrastructure (INF), CGB and CGW. The first meeting of the working group was held in April, 2019.  5-1 Parts 2 and 3: Reporting and adaptive management hand well-being impacts of the road is open, support the Tlich overnment and Community overnment of Whati in preparing an ann

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Measure 5-2  Thcho monitoring, engagement and reporting of adverse health and well-being impacts  Part 1 Tłucho monitoring of adverse health and well-being impacts  Part 2 Public engagement  Part 3  Reporting	5-2. Part 1: Thicho monitoring of adverse health and well-being impacts The Thicho overnment, overnment of the Northwest Territories, Thicho Community Services Agency and Community Government of Whati, with the support of the developer, will establish and implement a framework to monitor and evaluate health and well-being impacts associated with the road, and will adaptively manage health and well-being impacts as described in Measure 5-1 and following guidance in Appendices B and C, for each year of construction and for a minimum of ten years of operations.  Following ten years of Project operations, the Community overnment of Whati, overnment of the Northwest Territories, Thicho Community Services Agency and Thicho overnment in collaboration with the developer, will re-evaluate the need for, and frequency of, monitoring, engagement, reporting and adaptive management.  If the monitoring of harvest success rates and availability of country foods in Whati (in Measure 5-1, Part 1, above) indicates a declining trend in harvest success and the consumption of country foods, the Thicho overnment and the Community Government of Whati will develop and implement a strategy to address the decline in the availability of country foods for those most affected.  5-2. Part 2: Public engagement  The Thicho overnment, overnment of the Northwest Territories, Thicho Community Services Agency and Community Government of Whati, with the participation of the developer and the P3 operator, will meet with the residents of Whati at least once per year to discuss:  a) priority health and well-being impacts at the individual, family and community level related to the Project; b) the effectiveness of programs or mitigations used to address these impacts; and, c) the need to adjust programs or implement additional mitigations.  5-2. Part 3: Reporting  The Thicho overnment, overnment of the Northwest Territories, Thicho Community Services Agency and Community Government of Whati, with the support of the developer, will prepare and make publ	This Messure is directed at the Titch overnment. TCSA and whole of the CRWT (with support of the developer.) As such, it is being reported on um hoth Messure 14-1 and 14-2.  a) The developer attended the 3-day workshop hosted by the Titch overnment [T] and is a member of the Health and Well—heing Working Group. The developer will be providing funding for the implementation of monitoring of health and well-heing impacts, and will continue to be a participant of the Health and Well-heing Working Group.  b) The effectiveness of the implementation actions has yet to be seen as the project is in the early stages of implementation. Planning Workshop in January 22.  b) As noted under Mesaure 14-2.  c) As noted under Mesaure 14-2.  c) As noted under Mesaure 5-1, the Titchy overnment [T] hosted a three day Mesaure Review and Implementation Planning Workshop in January 22.  d) As noted under Mesaure 5-1, the Titchy overnment [T] hosted a three day Mesaure Review and Implementation Planning Workshop in January 22.  and the Community Covernments of Berchocky and Whati (CGL & CCW). During this meeting, a session was held to discuss socio-economic, health and way of monitoring and reporting requirements of a Berchocky and Whati (CGL & CCW). During this meeting, a session was held to discuss socio-economic, health and way of monitoring and reporting requirements of a Berchocky and Whati (CGL & CCW). During this meeting, a session was held to discuss socio-economic, health and way of monitoring and reporting requirements of the action of the monitoring and thresholds and adult by management plans relating to impacts from the Tits. The group is to cooperatively develop the health and well-being indicators, include in thresholds and daptive management plans relating to impacts from the Tits. The group was held in April, 2019.  In addition to this meeting, the Department of Health and Social Services (HSS) met with the TCSA to have a preliminary discussion on territorial and regio health data, services, and programs and potential

 $^{1}$  There are some situations in which data may be held back at the community level to avoid privacy violations.

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Measure 5-3	Safety of young women in relation to work camps	To mitigate the Project's impact on the physical and mental health and safety of women, the developer will require that the successful P3 operator has gender appropriate and gender-specific policies in place that promote a safe, respectful and inclusive environment for women at work and in communities near work camps. The developer will consult with the Tłįchǫ Government and Community Government of Whatì in establishing core elements of these policies.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) Hiring for the construction of the road has started and will continue as required to meet construction demands. Women have been hired from the community and were orientated using gender-specific policies. The gender-specific policies were developed in consultation with the Community Governments to ensure the safety of all women at the camp. The P3 operator (North Start Infrastructure), acting on behalf of the developer, continues to consult on a weekly basis with Thicho overnment representatives and the Community overnments of Whati and Behchoko on the policies . This ongoing consultation helps in the continuous improvement of the new-hire orientation program.  With the exception of Behchoko residents, workers and staff are required to stay in camp during non-working hours. Daily and weekly meetings are held with worker representatives and senior leadership, providing a forum for issues and concerns to be raised and resolved.  No safety issues or concerns have been raised by any female employees since the implementation of the policies.  b) The full effectiveness of the implementation actions cannot be assessed in this Annual Report, as construction has been ongoing for approximately a month and a half. However, at this time the actions taken to reduce or avoid impacts on the physical and mental safety of women have been successful as no issues have been raised.
Measure 5-4	Employee awareness training and policies	<ul> <li>To promote a positive, safe and inclusive work environment, the developer will ensure that the P3 operator:</li> <li>establishes a workplace environment that prevents assault, harassment and racism;</li> <li>has a zero-tolerance harassment policy for racial or sexual discrimination; and,</li> <li>requires employees to take a training course designed to promote cultural and gender awareness.</li> <li>The developer will develop appropriate training materials, in consultation with the Tłįchǫ overnment and the Tłįchǫ</li> <li>Community Services Agency, that reflect the factors that increase risks of sexual assaults on Aboriginal women. The developer, the Tłįchǫ overnment and the Tłįchǫ Community Services Agency will coordinate course delivery. The developer will fund the training course.</li> </ul>	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) The developer required employee awareness training and policies be developed in consultation with the Tłįchǫ overnment and the Tłįchǫ Community Services Agency to ensure all personnel working onsite completed a mandatory onsite orientation. This has been completed. The onsite orientation provides training on key elements of workplace safety with emphasis on zero-tolerance for harassment, racial or sexual discrimination. Policy reminders are posted at worksite vantage points.  The P3 operator is working with the Tłįchǫ overnment and the Tłįchǫ Community Services Agency, to ensure that training materials cover factors that are likely to increase risks of sexual assaults on Indigenous women. The P3 operator meets weekly with Tłįchǫ overnment and the Tłįchǫ Community Services Agency to review the policies.  Racial or sexual discrimination, sexual assault or harassment has not been reported since commencement of construction on September 2, 2019 until this report has been prepared in October, 2019.  b) The effectiveness of the implementation actions cannot be fully assessed in this Annual Report, as construction has been ongoing for approximately a month and a half. However, at this time the actions taken to reduce or avoid impacts have been successful as no issues have been raised.
Measure 5-5	Community engagement and grievance mechanisms	The developer will hold public engagement sessions with the Communities of Whatì and Behchokò to discuss project-related community concerns.  The developer will have a camp grievance mechanism and a community grievance mechanism that allow individuals and communities to raise concerns in a timely and open manner. These will be in place before the start of Project construction.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) Public engagement sessions were held in the communities as follows:  June 17, 2019 - Behchokò Cultural awareness/signage meeting June 18, 2019 - Whati Career Fair June 19, 2019 - Behchokò Community information meeting June 20, 2019 - Behchokò Community information meeting August 7, 2019- Whati Community Engagement regarding Camp and Community rievance policy. The Community Coordinator Lead (CCL) went to Whati to review the policies.  August 8, 2019- Behchokò Community Engagement regarding Camp and Community rievance policy. The CCL also went to Behchokò to review the policies.  The developer has designed a camp grievance mechanism and a community grievance mechanism. The camp grievance mechanism was put in place prior to September 3, 2019 and is included in the onsite orientation. The grievance policies were reviewed with the TG Client Service Department on September 25 and October 2, 2019, respectively. The TG meets weekly with the developer to review events, grievances, and policies.  b) The implementation actions have been successful at this early stage of construction, as the grievance mechanisms have been developed in coordination with the communities of Behchokò and Whati and were in place prior to the start of construction. The effectiveness of the grievance mechanisms has yet to be tested as no concerns or issues have been raised.

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Measure 5-6 Include Behchokò in accident	The Government of the Northwest Territories will develop and implement an effective ground ambulance and highway rescue action plan along the road that will be designed in collaboration with the Thcho overnment (TG), Thcho Community Services Agency (TCSA), Community overnment of Whati, and Community overnment of Behchokò.	This measure is directed to the GNWT, reporting under Measure 14-2  Backgrounder on NWT Ground Ambulance Highway Rescue (GAHR) Action Plan:  In 2017, the GNWT started work on an action plan to address agas, deficiencies, and to identify future needs relative to the current ground ambulance and highway rescue services system in the Rothwest Terriforcies. Project activities included rescuenting service delivery standards, and assessing the current operating environment with a view to determining the operational and financial requirements necessary to sustain a desired standard of service. In Pehruary 2019, work was completed on a Pindings and Recommendations Report which was used as a basis for a two-year action plan places an immediate priority on governance and establishing an acceptable fiscal arrangement between the GNWT and community governments which deliver mature ground ambulance and rescue services and to extend those services beyond municipal boundaries. The GNWT supports these efforts with finding training tools and guidance. The action plan indicates work on a circular plant place and includes work on a circular plant

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Measure 5-7	Prioritize Northern hiring	The developer will prioritize Northern hiring, and Tłįchǫ citizen hiring in particular, in its contract with the P3 operator.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) The developer has prioritized Northern Hiring and currently has a total of 15 local people from the Community of Behchokò and the hamlet of Fort Providence working on the Thcho All-season Road Project since the start of construction on September 3, 2019.  Further hiring is ongoing and clear data on the number of local people hired for the project will be provided in the next annual report. To date, there has not been any complaint from the community governments about the hiring process.  b) The project agreement ensures that Northern hiring will be prioritized and has been effective at this early stage in construction. The effectiveness will continue to be monitored throughout construction and operations.

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Boreal caribo	u		
Measure 6-1	Implementation of the Recovery Strategy for the Boreal Caribou in the NWT, and required range plans, for boreal caribou affected by the Project  Part 1 Develop and implement range plans  Part 2 Information and adaptive management requirements	6-1. Part 1: Develop and implement range plans The GNWT-ENR will develop and implement a range plan for boreal caribou (todzı) in the North Slave portion of the NT1 range, as required by the Recovery Strategy for the Boreal Caribou in the NWT. The GNWT-ENR will also develop and implement a range plan for any other region where boreal caribou (todzı) may experience impacts related to the Project.  The range plan(s) will be developed collaboratively with Aboriginal groups and co-management partners. GNWT-ENR will complete and submit a range plan for the North Slave portion of the NT1 range to the Wek'èezhìn Renewable Resources Board for review under section 12.5.1 of the Thicho Agreement a minimum of 90 days before the Project is opened for public use.  The NWT will work collaboratively with the Thicho Government, and other relevant Aboriginal and federal land management authorities to manage habitat to achieve the habitat disturbance threshold set out in this range plan to the greatest extent possible. The GNWT will consult with applicable Aboriginal groups as required.  6-1. Part 2: Information and adaptive management requirements For the area identified by the range plan(s) in measure 6-1, part 1 the following must be included in the development and implementation of the Recovery Strategy for the Boreal Caribou in the NWT or range plan(s):  • monitoring to determine population trends, abundance and distribution;  • determination of population thresholds and triggers to inform adaptive management;  • harvest monitoring and reporting;  • determining sustainable harvest levels;  • identifying critical habitat;  • ongoing habitat disturbance monitoring;  • setting disturbance thresholds for critical habitat and, to the greatest extent possible, managing habitat towards meeting these disturbance thresholds for each range planning region; and,  • monitoring predator populations including densities, movements and predation rates.  Monitoring will meet the requirements of Appendix C. GNWT-ENR will work with the develo	This measure is directed to the GNWT-ENR, reporting under Measure 14-2  a)  6-1. Part 1: Develop and implement range plans: In August 2019. GNWT-ENR released A Framework for Boreal Caribou Range Planning (the Framework) that will guide the development of five regional range plans for boreal caribou. The Framework is intended to guide what factors regional range plans will consider, how disturbance will be managed, what kinds of actions are recommended for different levels of disturbance, and how hose actions will be implemented. This includes setting regional limits for total habitat disturbance, and human disturbance thresholds to determine the intensity of management actions required. Range planning for the Southern NVT and the Welk'ezhlir regions will start in fall 2019. The Framework is available on ENR's website at https://www.mr.gov.nt.ca/situs/emr/files/framoures/beroal/caribou and planning framework. 2019.2.cades de plantification de latre de repartition du caribou horeal. 2019.pdf.  ENR will engage with Indigenous governments and organizations (IGOs), renewable resources boards, land use planning boards, regulatory boards, industry and non-governmental organizations during the development of boreal caribou range plans for Southern NWT and the Welk'ezhlir region.  6-1, Part 2: Information and adaptive management requirements: ENR initiated a boreal caribou monitoring program in the North Slave region focused on the TASR corridor in March 2017, with the deployment of 20 GF coliars on adult female caribou. Tive more coliars were deployed in the study area in March 2018, and ENR completed the first classification survey to determine cow: calf ratios in March 2018. Seven more collars were deployed in the study area in March 2019, and ENR completed the first classification survey to determine cow: calf ratios in March 2019. Seven more collars were deployed in the study area in March 2019, and ENR completed the first classification surveys were also completed. There are currently 30 active colleted caribou wi

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Measure 6-2	Determine	To mitigate significant adverse impacts from the project on	This measure is directed to GNWT-ENR, reporting under Measure 14-2
	sustainable	boreal caribou (todzı), the NWT -ENR, in collaboration with	
	harvest levels for	Aboriginal groups and in accordance with the requirements of	a) GNWT- ENR has hired a contractor to begin evaluating sustainable harvest levels using available demographic data from NWT boreal caribou monitoring
	boreal caribou	the Tłįcho Agreement, will determine sustainable harvest levels	programs. ENR will engage on the results of the contractor's report once it is finalized.
	(tǫdzı) and	for boreal caribou in the North Slave portion of the NT1 range	
	implement	prior to the road being opened to the public.	In July 2019, ENR introduced new harvest regulations to split woodland caribou into separate "boreal caribou" and "northern mountain caribou" tags based on
	measures to		where each ecotype of woodland caribou lives the caribou live to improve ENR's ability to track resident harvest levels of each ecotype. For boreal caribou,
	ensure harvest is	In that same period, if current harvest levels are determined to	resident hunters and General Hunting Licence holders can now only hunt bulls and the hunting season has been shortened.
	sustainable if	exceed sustainable levels, management action will be undertaken	
	required	in conjunction with the Tłįchǫ overnment.	b) The actions taken to date outline the progress the GNWT-ENR has made in implementing this measure. The effectiveness of this measure cannot be determined
			until sustainable harvest levels are established.
		If harvest levels are observed to increase towards unsustainable	
		levels once the road is opened to the public, NWT -ENR and	
		Tłįchǫ overnment will submit a wildlife management proposal	
		under section 12.5.1 of the Tłįchǫ Agreement to the Wek'èezhìı	
		Renewable Resources Board for the timely implementation of	
		any measures necessary to ensure boreal caribou harvest in the	
		region is kept within sustainable levels. Such measures may	
		include the establishment of a no-hunting corridor along the	
		Project route.	

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Measure 6-3	Habitat offset and restoration plan	The developer will offset effective boreal caribou (tǫdzı) habitat lost because of disturbance from the Project.	This measure is directed to the developer, but requires the involvement of GNWT-ENR. The developer and ENR worked collaboratively to provide the information as summarized below, reporting under Measure 14-1 and 14-2.
		The developer, with the involvement of GNWT-ENR, will prepare and implement a habitat offset plan. This plan will describe how the required habitat offset area will be determined and how it will be achieved. In preparing the plan, the developer will collaborate with Tłıcho overnment and the Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board, and consult with the following	<ul> <li>a) A Consultant (Associated Environment) has been retained by the developer to undertake and complete a Draft Caribou Habitat Offset Plan for the TASR in collaboration with the Tłįchǫ overnment and the Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board (WRRB), and in consultation with Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), Yellowknives Dene First Nation (YKDFN), and North Slave Métis Alliance (NSMA).</li> <li>As part of the consultation, Associated Environment (AE) organized 3 workshops; 2 in Behchokò and 1 in Yellowknife.</li> </ul>
		participants to this environmental assessment:	Washahan Data Wassa
		<ul><li>Environment and Climate Change Canada;</li><li>Yellowknives Dene First Nation; and,</li></ul>	Workshop Date Venue Attendees
		North Slave Métis Alliance.	1 February 22, 2019 Yellowknife TG, WRRB, GNWT-ENR, GNWT-INF, and AE
		North State Predictionalities.	April 23 & 24, 2 2019 TG, WRRB, GNWT-ENR, GNWT-INF, AE, Elders and Harvesters from Whatì and Behchokò
		The developer will make funding available to the parties to	Rehchakà
		support this consultation and collaboration. The developer will	1, WRRB, NWI -ENR, NWI -INF, AE, Elders and Harvesters
		submit a draft and a final plan as described below. Once approved, the developer will operate in accordance with the plan.	Yellowknife from Whatì and Behchokò
		approved, the developer will operate in accordance with the plan.	
		The developer will submit a draft plan to the Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resources Board a minimum of 30 days prior to commencement of construction. The developer will submit the final habitat offset plan to the Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resources	Workshop 1 The purpose of workshop 1 was to encourage a common understanding of the concepts of offsetting and agree upon how the draft Habitat Offset Plan should be developed. The collaborators decided upon a tentative schedule, the parties who needed to be engaged, the methods of engagement, the number of engagement sessions that would be required, and the number of drafts that would be provided.
		Board for review under section 12.5.1 of the Tłycho Agreement,	Workshop 2
		as soon as possible, and no later than 90 days prior to public use	At workshop 2 offsetting was introduced to the Elders and Harvesters. The collaborators listened to the Elders and Harvesters traditional use of the land and the
		of the road. This final plan will include, at a minimum:	traditional knowledge they had of todzi use of the land. AE consulted with the Elders and Harvesters on methods of offset and areas for potential offset.
		• the goals and objectives of the plan;	
		<ul> <li>a discussion on the expected effectiveness of mitigations and offsets;</li> </ul>	Workshop 3
		<ul> <li>offsets;</li> <li>a decision framework to prioritize restoration areas, mitigations, and offsets, including references to the research on which the decision framework was based;</li> <li>a discussion of how any proposed mitigations or offsets align with the Recovery Strategy for the Boreal Caribou in the</li> </ul>	Workshop 3 was a follow-up with Elders and Harvesters to ensure that the information obtained from the previous workshop was correct, and provided Elders and Harvesters with an opportunity to provide further feedback. The second day of the workshop was held with staff to focus on the methods and areas for offsetting and what the draft Habitat Offset Plan will look like.
			AE distributed the draft Habitat Offset Plan to the TG, WRRB, NSMA, YKDFN, GNWT-ENR, and the developer. <b>Note:</b> ECCC was consulted in a different forum.
		NWT and range plans;	The first draft was completed and submitted to the developer on June 10, 2019 for review and comment. The second draft was distributed to all interested parties on
		details of proposed ways to offset habitat disturbance including restoration sites, mitigation measures, offsets,	June 17, 2019 for review and comment, and was distributed again on July 12, 2019 for further review. The draft Habitat Offset Plan was completed and submitted to the WRRB, in accordance with Measure 6-3, on July 31, 2019.
		forest fire fighting policies, or habitat management approaches;	Following submission of the draft Habitat Offset Plan to WRRB, the Forest Management Division of ENR raised pertinent issues which AE will be working on. The final
		<ul> <li>a description of the spatial scale of the proposed offset, the</li> </ul>	Habitat Offset Plan is due at least 90 days prior to public use of the road, which is scheduled for Fall 2022. Once the WRRB completes their review of the draft Habitat
		habitat quality and type, site specific restoration activities, and any challenges;	Offset Plan, AE will continue to prepare the final Habitat Offset Plan in collaboration and consultation with the required parties.
		a timeline for offsetting;	b) The actions taken to date outline the progress that has been made in implementing this measure. The implementation actions described above have been effective
		a quantitative and qualitative assessment of the total area of boreal caribou habitat proposed for restoration and the	at preparing the draft Habitat Offset Plan using a collaborative process. The effectiveness at avoiding or reducing impacts is yet to be seen as the Habitat Offset Plan is still a draft and has yet to be implemented.
		<ul><li>timeframe required for restoration;</li><li>a summary of consultation feedback that was integrated into</li></ul>	
		the draft and final plans;	
		a description of any Traditional Knowledge that was considered in the development of the plan, and how it was	
		incorporated; and,	
		• a description of any resources provided to Aboriginal groups to support their involvement in the drafting of the final plan,	
		and for any involvement in the implementation of the plan.	
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Barren-groun	d caribou		
Measure 7-1	Incorporate Traditional Knowledge into monitoring of barren-ground caribou (2ekwò)	To improve and inform mitigation of significant adverse impacts to barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) resulting from increased access due to the Project, the developer will include Traditional Knowledge in barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) monitoring and management. Prior to operations, the developer will:  a) support the Tłıcho overnment in the design and implementation of a program that uses Tłıcho harvesters' traditional knowledge and methods to monitor the state of barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) winter habitat, during and after the construction of the Project; b) fund the implementation of the program in paragraph a); and, c) incorporate the findings of the program in paragraph a) into the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan while it is in place, and into any other barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) management if the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan is not extended.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) The developer is collaborating with the Tłįchǫ Government to provide support for the design and implementation of a program that uses traditional knowledge and methods by Tłįchǫ harvesters to monitor the state of barren-ground caribou winter habitat starting in the 2019 winter season.  Results from the implementation of the program will be provided after the 2019 winter season.  b) The effectiveness of the actions taken to implement this measure cannot be assessed yet, as measure implementation is in the early planning stage.
Measure 7-2	Barren-ground caribou mitigation and policy changes	To manage significant adverse impacts to barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) resulting from the Project, NWT -ENR and Tłıcho Government, along with their co-management partners in the Wek'èezhiı area, will:  a) complete the Bathurst Caribou Range Plan as soon as possible and prior to the expiry of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan; and,  b) consider protecting barren-ground caribou (2ekwò) historic winter habitat from fires when determining where and when fires are fought, to offset effective habitat loss from the Project.	a) 7-2, Part a: complete the Bathurst Caribou Range Plan: The Bathurst Caribou Range Plan (BCRP) was released on August 21, 2019. The BCRP was developed by a multi-stakeholder working group and will help decision-makers manage activities on the land in a way that supports the recovery of the Bathurst herd, while providing clarity on land use and access for developers, regulators and residents of the Northwest Territories (NWT). It includes guidance for managing the overall amount of disturbance on the land, as well as seven management tools to reduce and manage impacts to caribou and caribou habitat. Actions are currently underway to support implementation of the recommendations contained in the BCRP. The BCRP is available on ENR's website at <a href="https://www.enr.gov.nt.ca/sites/enr/files/resources/bathurst caribou range plan 2019 - plan pour laire de repartition des caribous de bathurst 2019.pdf">https://www.enr.gov.nt.ca/sites/enr/files/resources/bathurst caribou range plan 2019 - plan pour laire de repartition des caribous de bathurst 2019.pdf</a> .  7-2, Part b: consider protecting barren-ground caribou historic winter habitat from fires: The BCRP contains a recommendation to: "On an annual basis, identify large, strategically-located patches of forest in the central Bathurst winter range for the GNWT fire management "Values at Risk" database. Response to fires in these areas would be based on an analysis of the current fire load, fire environment, resource availability and similar considerations of the management options at the time of the fire event."  b) The actions taken to date outline the progress the GNWT-ENR has made in implementing this measure. The development and implementation of range plans will help address this impact as range plans are tools for decision-makers, developers and communities to help manage activities on the land in a way that supports caribou conservation. The effectiveness of the BCRP cannot be assessed because the BCRP is relatively recent (August 21, 2019).
Fish and wate	r		

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Measure 8-1 Fisheries Management Plan	Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Tłįchǫ overnment, with the support of the developer, will develop and implement a Fisheries Management Plan for fisheries in the project area. This will prevent significant adverse impacts from additional fishing pressure that will likely result from increased access via the Project. In designing the plan, Fisheries and Oceans Canada will engage with the Tłįchǫ overnment, the Wek'èezhìr Re newable Resources Board, the Community of Whati and other affected Aboriginal groups. Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Tłįchǫ overnment will submit the plan to the Wek'èezhìr Renewable Resources Board for review under section 12.5.1 of the Tłįchǫ Agreement.  As part of this plan, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Tłįchǫ Government will complete the following work:  a) Complete work to understand baseline fishery and harvest conditions. This work will include, at a minimum:  i. assessing yield and harvest;  ii. identifying management issues;  iii. establishing fisheries objectives; and,  iv. clarifying management and stewardship arrangements.  b) Design and implement, with support of the developer,  mitigation to prevent or manage project impacts (which may include a regulatory and compliance plan).  c) Design and implement monitoring plans, meeting the requirements of Appendix C.  d) Design and implement an adaptive management plan (following guidance in Appendix B).  Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Tłįchǫ overnment will provide opportunity for the working group (required by Measure 14-3) and other interested parties to review and comment on this plan.	This measure is directed to Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Tłįchǫ overnment. Support is required from the developer. Reporting under Measure 14-1  a) The developer is supporting the efforts of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and the Tłįchǫ overnment (T) in developing a Fisheries Management Plan (FMP) prior to the opening of the highway, expected in the fall of 2021. To date, the developer has reached out to both DFO and the TG and is communicating with DFO to determine how to successfully meet this measure.  The TG has provided terms of reference for the TASR Fisheries Working Group, which includes a mandate, composition, activities and accountability, and administration. DFO, the T, the Community overnment of Whatl and the developer make up that working group. The group has not yet met formally.  The developer has also reached out to the Wek'èezhiì Renewable Resources Board as this Board will play a pivotal role in meeting the measure.  As well, the FMP will be a standing item on the Corridor Working Group agenda so as to ensure interested parties can be updated and comment.  b) The effectiveness of the actions taken to implement this measure cannot be assessed yet, as measure implementation is in the early planning stage.

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Cultural well-	oeing		
Measure 9-1	Monitoring harvest and managing wildlife to maintain successful harvest  Part 1 Aboriginal harvest monitoring and reporting program  Part 2 Use monitoring to inform management	9-1, Part 1: Aboriginal harvest monitoring and reporting program To mitigate impacts on Aboriginal harvesters and to effectively inform management of wildlife populations in the area of the Project, GNWT-ENR will work together with the Tłıcho Government and Wek'èezhiı Renewable Resources Board to develop and implement a non-mandatory Aboriginal harvest monitoring and reporting program. The harvest monitoring and reporting program will: a) focus on boreal caribou, barren-ground caribou and moose population trends in areas accessed by winter roads and trails from the Project; b) be community-based and involve collaboration between Tłıcho overnment and the developer; c) involve Traditional Knowledge holders and harvesters in monitoring wildlife harvesting trends; and, d) report on wildlife harvesting numbers and trends from monitoring checkpoints and/or other harvest monitoring methods annually to the Tłıcho overnment, Wek'èezhiı Renewable Resources Board, GNWT-ENR and other wildlife co- management partners.  The developer will fund this harvest monitoring and reporting related to the project. The harvest monitoring will meet the	This measure is directed at the GNWT-ENR, WRRB and the Thcho overnment , reporting under Measure 14-2  a) NWT -ENR and the Thcho overnment participated in a community based monitoring workshop in February, 2019 that specifically foc used on Measure 9-1. ENR will continue to work with the Thcho overnment and will engage with other parties, including the Wek'èezhìn Renewable Resource Board, on this measure.  b) The effectiveness of the actions taken to implement this measure cannot be assessed yet, as measure implementation is in the early planning stage.
Measure 9-2	Cultural sensitivity in work camps and communities	requirements of Appendix C.  9-1, Part 2: Use monitoring to inform management GNWT-ENR, in collaboration with the Tłįcho overnment and Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board, will consider wildlife management actions and mitigations based on the results of the monitoring above and the information collected by the GNWT's existing Resident Hunting Reporting Program, to help ensure sustainable Aboriginal harvesting of wildlife and report on monitoring results and management actions in the annual reviews of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) Cultural sensitivity orientation and training have been included in the new-hire orientation program. All new hires took the cultural sensitivity training prior to starting work. A re-training is mandatory for any employee who does anything contrary to the cultural sensitivity policy.  Policies and training materials will be updated and reviewed as and when required, and whenever the project resumes construction after an extended shutdown.  b) The effectiveness of the actions taken to implement this measure has thus far been successful as there have not been any cultural sensitivity complaints since the implementation of the policies.

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Measure 9-3	Include Traditional Knowledge from all relevant groups	To mitigate impacts from the Project to culture and harvesting, the developer will incorporate Traditional Knowledge into the Project design and management from all Aboriginal groups that traditionally use the area. The developer will:  a) support the collection of Traditional Knowledge related to traditional use, and compile it with information already acquired; b) thoroughly consider any Traditional Knowledge that is made available, and, where applicable, incorporate Traditional Knowledge into Project design, mitigations, monitoring and adaptive management; and, c) do this in a culturally-appropriate way that respects applicable Traditional Knowledge policies and protocols.  The GNWT-ENR and Wek'èezhìu Land and Water Board will consider these findings in the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan and in permitting.	a) The developer has received Traditional Knowledge Reports from The Tłįcho overnment, NSMA, and YKDFN. These reports have been reviewed an d information or concerns have been reflected in the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan (WMMP) where applicable. The Tłįcho All Season Road Corridor Working Group is another forum where Traditional Knowledge is provided as the project progresses. As per the Terms of Reference of the Corridor Working Group, Elders are invited to participate at the meetings.  In the development of the draft Habitat Offset Plan, local Elders and Harvesters from Whatì and Behchokò attended two workshops. At these workshops Elders and Harvesters were presented with the concepts and possible strategies for offsetting, their opinions on these strategies were heard, as well as how they traditionally use the land in these areas, and they shared their knowledge of todzi in these areas. The Traditional Knowledge provided was used to help create the draft Habitat Offset Plan.  Throughout the construction, the developer and P3 operator will continue to seek Traditional Knowledge from IGOs where appropriate.  b) The WMMP, draft Habitat Offset Plan, and project design have incorporated the Traditional Knowledge provided to INF. The actions taken thus far have been effective at incorporating the Traditional Knowledge into the design of the project, mitigation, and monitoring.  This measure is directed primarily to the developer, but requires GNWT-ENR to consider the findings in the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan (WMMP) and in permitting. Reporting under 14-2  a) Please see the update provided for Measure 10-2 (below).		

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Species at risk and wildlife, other than caribou				
Measure 10-1  Bird species at risk and migratory bird data, mitigation, monitoring and adaptive management  Part 1 Preconstruction bird surveys Part 2 Mitigation Part 3 Monitoring and reporting Part 4 Adaptive management	10-1. Part 1: Pre-construction bird surveys The developer will conduct pre-construction field surveys of bird species at risk and migratory birds prior to disturbing potential habitat, including any clearing of the right-of way, quarry sites, camps, access routes, or other project infrastructure. The developer will consult with Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) and GNWT-ENR about methods and timing for a field survey(s). The developer will conduct the survey using methods derived from peer-reviewed scientific literature and best practices.  10-1. Part 2: Mitigation The developer will use the results from surveys in 10-1 Part 1 to inform mitigations. The mitigations will help protect bird species at risk and migratory birds and ensure habitats and nesting sites are protected. For all project-related infrastructure and activities during the construction and operations phase, the developer will: a) use the information from the survey(s) to inform and adjust proposed mitigations; b) implement mitigations as described in its commitments table and its Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan; c) implement additional mitigations to eliminate or reduce impacts, if warranted based on surveys; d) halt all disruptive activities, in consultation with ECCC, in an area if nests or young are discovered; and; e) determine and implement, in consultation with ECCC and GNWT-ENR, appropriate species-specific buffer zones or setbacks, until the young have naturally and permanently left the vicinity of the nest taking into consideration the intensity of the disturbance and the surrounding habitat.  10-1. Part 3: Monitoring and reporting The developer will: a) implement monitoring in section 5 and Appendix C of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan and Chapter 14 of this report; b) monitor nests using non-intrusive search methods at quarry sites immediately prior to commencing any disruptive activities during the nesting period; and, c) report weekly and annually as described in section 6 of the Wildlife Management an	This measure is directed to the developer, but requires the developer consult with GNWT-ENR, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) 10-1. Part 1: Pre-construction bird surveys:  A Consultant, Colder Associates (Golder), was retained by the developer to undertake field surveys of bird species at risk and migratory birds. Golder consulted with birtoreoment and climate change Canada (EVCC) and GNWT-ENR to develop a methodology and timeline for the survey. The consultations were carried out on April 18, May 11, and May 28, 2018. Based on the agreed-upon methodology and timeline, 60 Autonomous Recording Units (ARUS) were deployed between March 27-30, 2019 and were retrieved between pluy 3-6, and 11-12, 2019. In addition to the ARUS, 10 cameras were set up along the alignment to apture wildlife and possibly human activities. The ARUS have been analyzed by avian biologists. A technical report has been written and has been provided to ENR for their review. Once the developer receives ENR's comments, the report will be submitted to ECCC.  10-1. Part 2: Mittigation:  Golder provided a technical memo detailing bow the results of the bird surveys could inform mitigations for the Thicho All-Season Road. As part of the technical memo, a through review of the mitigation measures proposed in the current Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan (WMMP) was completed. The report concluded that adequate mitigation measures for birds, under CNWT-ENR's authority, have been included in the current WMMP.  One new mitigation measure has been recommended as a result of the information gathered from the bird survey, which is to create a suitable alternative habitat for bank swallows if they are found to be nesting in any Project stockpiles. This recommendation is currently under consideration. Results from the survey also reinforce the importance of the road alignment following the existing Old Airport Road.  10-1. Part 3: Monitoring and reporting:  Monitoring preparate of the road alignment following the existing Old Airport Road.  10-1. Part		
	described in section 6 of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan and following guidance in Appendix B of this report.			

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Measure 10-2	Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan approval, annual review and reporting  Part 1 WMMP update prior to permitting  Part 2 WMMP update during permitting  Part 3 Annual review of the WMMP during construction and operations.	MEASURE SPECIFICS  10-2, Part 1: Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan update prior to permitting The developer will update its Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan prior to permitting to include the developer's commitments and Review Board's measures from this Report of Environmental Assessment.  Prior to permitting, the developer will, where appropriate, include Traditional Knowledge from all Aboriginal groups that harvest in the area on ways to mitigate, monitor and adaptively manage impacts from the Project to wildlife.  10-2, Part 2: Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan update during permitting During permitting, the developer will involve Environment and Climate Change Canada, NWT -ENR, Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board, Tłįcho overn ment and Aboriginal groups that harvest in the area, in developing an updated Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan. Monitoring will meet the requirements of Appendix C.  When updating the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan, the developer will, where appropriate, include Traditional Knowledge from all Aboriginal groups that harvest in the area on ways to mitigate, monitor, and adaptively manage impacts from the Project to wildlife. The Wildlife Management and Monitoring	DESCRIPTION OF HOW MEASURE IS BEING SATISFIED and UNDER WHICH MEASURE (14-1 or 14-2) THE REPORT IS BEING MADE  This measure is directed primarily to the developer, but requires GNWT-ENR involvement. Reporting under Measure 14-1 (see below for reporting under Measure 14-2)  a) 10-2, Part 1: Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan update prior to permitting: Following the WILWB comments and the public comments, the WMMP has undergone several edits and iterations, both prior to and after permits have been issued. Version 3.3 of the WMMP was approved by ENR on August 30, 2019. In its August 23, 2019 Reasons for Decision, the WLWB did not approve the Version 3.3 and directed that Version 3.4 be submitted prior to the commencement of construction. Complying with the directives of the WLWB, Version 3.4 of the WMMP was submitted to the WLWB on August 30, 2019.  10-2, Part 2: Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan update during permitting: During the permitting, the developer worked collaboratively with Environment and Climate Change Canada, NWT -ENR, Wek'èezhli Renewable Resources Board, Tilcho overnment and Indigenous groups and harvesters to develop an updated WMMP.  Traditional knowledge (TK) was provided by The Tilcho overnment and the Yellowknives Dene First Nations. The TK was incorporated into the WMMP with respect to caribou, and will also be incorporated into a Caribou Habitat Offset Plan.  The Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan has identified sensitive wildlife periods and construction activities are scheduled outside these sensitive periods.  10-2, Part 3: Annual review of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan during construction and operations: During the Construction and Operations Phase, the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan will be reviewed and, if required, revised at least annually and potentially more frequently taking into account changes in the law, environmental factors, monitoring results, developer and North Star Infrastructure policies. GNWT will provide the WMMP, with any prop						
		Plan will be updated based on the results of available surveys and monitoring, such as caribou, bird (Measure 10-1), and moose surveys.  The Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan will require that construction activities, including clearing, consider sensitive		Date 03-Sept-19 04-Sept-19 05-Sept-19 05-Sept-19 06-Sept-19	Time 9: 25 am 12 00 pm 1:00 pm 5:34 pm 12:30 pm	Location Near waste Bins Km 15 Km 20 Km 11 Km 12	Wildlife Common Raven Cougar Black Bear Red Squirrel Sharp-tailed Grouse	Number  1 1 1 1 1 1	
		wildlife periods, for example nesting periods of migratory birds.  10-2, Part 3: Annual review of the Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan during construction and operations GNWT-ENR will require annual public review of the Wildlife		07-Sept-19 07-Sept-19 07-Sept-19 07-Sept-19 07-Sept-19	8:17 am 9:32 am 9:38 am 11:00 am 3:30 pm	Km 4.5 Km 12 Km 18 Km 7.5 Km 4.5	Wood Bison Wood Bison tracks Dark-eyed Juncos Black Bear Wood Bison	10 1 30 3 - Sows with 2 cubs	
		Management and Monitoring Plan and make publicly viewable:  • recommendations from parties;  • responses on how recommendations were incorporated; and,  • reasons for recommendations which were not incorporated.		07-Sept-19 08-Sept-19 13-Sept-19 13-Sept-19 16-Sept-19 18-Sept-19 19-Sept-19 21-Sept-19 21-Sept-19 23-Sept-19	6:30 pm 10:23 am 6:30 am 10:30 am 2:00 pm 7:30 am 7:45 am 11:00 am 7:15 am 8:30 am	Km 0 Km 17.5 Km 0 Km 11 Km 18 Km 17 Km 1.3 Km 7 Km 1.5 Km 1.8	Wolf Black Bear Wolf Wood Bison Moose Wood Bison Wood Bison Wood Bison Lynx Wood Bison	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
				24-Sept-19 26-Sept-19 27-Sept-19 28-Sept-19 29-Sept-19 30-Sept-19 30-Sept-19	11: 55 am 4: 40 pm 9: 46 am 7: 00 pm 9: 05 am 12: 17 pm 12: 30 pm	Km 16 Km 6.3 Km 7 Km 8 Km 2 Km 7 Km 7.5	Common Raven Moose Moose Great Grey Owl Common Raven Moose Canada Jay	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
			The GNWT-EN	IR was involved in do of the Wildlife Mana	eveloping an updated Wi gement and Monitoring I	It requires GNWT-ENR in Idlife Management and Mo Plan as outlined in Measure approved by the GNWT-E	nitoring Plan, as per Meas e 10-2, Part 3 and as stated	nder Measure 14-2. sure 10-2, Part 2. The GNWT-I d in the measure reporting un	ENR will require annual der 14-1, above. The

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Permafrost					
Measure 11-1	Permafrost Management Plan	To minimize permafrost degradation and prevent associated significant adverse impacts on the environment from the Project during construction and operation of the Project, the developer will develop and implement a permafrost management plan for construction and maintenance of the Project. The plan will be submitted for review and approval to the Wek'èezhìı Land and Water Board prior to construction.  This plan will include monitoring (following the requirements in Appendix C) and adaptive management (following the requirements in Appendix B). It will incorporate the recommendations made by Natural Resources Canada during the environmental assessment process as well as recommendations from the working group (Measure 14-3).  The developer will incorporate any relevant information from the permafrost management plan into ongoing monitoring and adaptive management during Project operations.	a) The Permafrost Management Plan was prepared by the developer and submitted to the WLWB on January 7, 2019 with the reapplication package following the Environmental Assessment. The WLWB provided further direction on the Permafrost Management Plan on April 17, 2019 based on the comments received on the Online Review System. INF submitted a revised version of the Permafrost Management Plan on July 19, 2019, which was approved by the WLWB on August 23, 2019. The recommendations from ECCC were included in the Permafrost Management Plan. Permafrost was briefly discussed at the TASR CWG, however no recommendations were provided at the June 24, 2019 meeting. The meeting minutes will be made available to the public when they have been approved by the TASR CWG at the next meeting.  As per requirements of the Permafrost Management Plan, both winter readings and summer readings are needed annually. The winter readings were taken between April 1 and April 8, 2019 and the summary report was presented to the WLWB. The developer is currently planning to conduct a summer reading of the thermistors. At that time the developer will also flag the thermistor cables with flagging tape to try to protect the thermistors from any damage that may occur during construction, ensuring future readings can be taken to monitor the permafrost and inform adaptive management.  b) As construction has been ongoing for approximately a month and a half, the effectiveness of the implementation actions are yet to be seen. The results of the thermistor readings will help determine whether the mitigations used are effective at reducing the impacts to permafrost.		
up, and monit	agement, follow- oring				
Measure 14-1	Annual reporting from the developer	To demonstrate how measures are being implemented and to evaluate the effectiveness of the developer's efforts to prevent or minimize impacts on the environment, the developer will, throughout all phases of the development, prepare an annual report on the implementation of measures. The report will address the measures that the developer is responsible for and will:  a) describe the actions, including actions implemented through adaptive management, being undertaken to implement the measures; and, b) evaluate how effective the implementation actions are in reducing or avoiding the impact (considering the results of monitoring programs and adaptive management frameworks). Where applicable, provide references to further information contained in other management plans or monitoring reports.  The developer will provide its annual report to the Review Board one year from the date of the final approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  The GNWT has interpreted GNWT-INF and the North Star Infrastructure Project Company as being the developer for the purposes of Measure 14-1 annual reporting.  The reporting requirement from the developer falls under the Environmental Assessment (EA) Measure 14-1, which comprises of the following EA Measures:  1. Measure 5-1 2. Measure 5-2 3. Measure 5-3 4. Measure 5-4 5. Measure 5-6 6. Measure 5-6 7. Measure 5-7 8. Measure 6-3 9. Measure 7-1 10. Measure 8-1 11. Measure 9-2 12. Measure 9-3 13. Measure 10-1 14. Measure 10-2 15. Measure 11-1 16. Measure 14-1		

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Measure 14-2	Annual reporting from government and regulatory authorities	To help evaluate the effectiveness of mitigation measures for the protection of the environment, each regulatory authority or government that is wholly or partly responsible for implementation of any measure in this Report of Environmental Assessment will prepare an annual report on implementation of measures. The report will:  a) describe the actions being undertaken to implement the measures or the part(s) of the measures for which the regulatory authority or government is responsible; and, b) explain how these actions, including those implemented through adaptive management, fulfill the intent of the EA measures, including consideration of the following questions: i. How are implementation actions addressing a likely significant adverse impact on the environment? ii. How effective are implementation actions at reducing or avoiding the impact or its likelihood?  Government and regulators are only responsible for reporting on the implementation actions they take, not actions taken by the developer. For example, if a regulator does not issue an authorization, provide direction to the developer, approve a management plan, or take other actions that relate to an EA measure(s) in a given year, the regulator will not need to submit a report for that year.  The governments and regulators will provide their annual reports to the Review Board one year from the date of the final	This measure is directed to the GNWT, reporting under Measure 14-2  The following Measures fall under the reporting requirements of Measure 14-2 for the Government and Regulatory Authorities:  1. Measure 5-2 2. Measure 6-2 4. Measure 6-3 5. Measure 7-2 6. Measure 9-1 7. Measure 10-2 8. Measure 14-1
Measure 14-3	Project working group	approval of this Report of Environmental Assessment, and annually thereafter.  The developer will establish the Tłįchǫ All-Season Road Corridor Working Group by:  • funding the Tłįchǫ overnment, Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board, Yellowknives Dene First Nation and North Slave Métis Alliance to participate in twice annual working group meetings, one of which will annually take place in Whati;  • requiring the participation of the P3 operator; and,  • inviting Tłįchǫ Elders to participate.  The developer will make meeting minutes publicly available. The developer will maintain the working group throughout the Project construction phase and for five years of Project operations, unless an extended term is agreed to by parties.	This measure is directed to the developer, reporting under Measure 14-1  a) The Thicho All-Season Road Corridor Working Group (TASR CWG) was formed in May 2019. It is made up of representatives from the following interested parties:  • The Thicho overnment • Yellowknives Dene First Nations • North Slave Métis Alliance • Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre • Community Government of Whati • Community overnment of Behchoko • Wek řezbih Renewable Resources Board • Wek řezbih Renewable Resources Board • Wek řezbih Inada and Water Board • Environmental and Natural Resources • Department of Infrastructure • Department of Finastructure • Department of Finastructure • Pisheries and Oceans Canada • Environment and Climate Change Canada • North Star Infrastructure • Associated Engineering • Golder Associates  The group held its first meeting in Whatl on June 24, 2019, chaired by the Regional Superintendent of the Department of Infrastructure. The draft meeting minutes have been prepared and were distributed to all TASR CWG members for comments on August 6, 2019. Comments have been received and the final meeting minutes have been prepared and were distributed to all TASR CWG members for comments on August 6, 2019. Comments have been received and the final meeting minutes are ready for adoption at the next meeting before being made publicly available on GNWT-INF's project website. The next meeting will be held on December 11, 2019 at Behchoko.  b) Implementation of the CWG has been successful thus far. The first TASR CWG meeting occurred before construction started so there was minimal discussion in terms of Adaptive Management. The success of the TASR CWG in helping to avoid or reduce impacts through Adaptive Management will continue to be seen through the upcoming meetings.

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Measure 14-4	agreement	To ensure that all applicable and relevant commitments of the developer and measures directed at the developer are carried out during the construction and operation phases of the Project, the developer will formalize and include these commitments and measures in its final contract with the P3 operator.	a) This measure has been fulfilled. The Project Agreement between the GNWT-INF and North Star Infrastructure captures the legal requirements to satisfy the commitments and measures resulting from the environmental assessment. Schedule 19 (Environmental Obligations) and Schedule 1 (Definitions and Interpretation) would be some of the more relevant sections that satisfy this measure. The Project Agreement is available on GNWT-INF's Project website ( <a href="https://www.inf.gov.nt.ca/sites/inf/files/content/tasr - project agreement final redacted version.pdf">https://www.inf.gov.nt.ca/sites/inf/files/content/tasr - project agreement final redacted version.pdf</a> ).	
			b) The implementation of the Project Agreement has been fulfilled, as both parties have signed and entered into the agreement. The status and fulfillment of the commitments outlined within the Project Agreement are closely monitored by GNWT-INF.	

<u>Various Acronyms:</u>	REA = Report of Environmental Assessment	AE = Associated Engineering
Developer = GNWT-INF with NSI (P3 Contractor) where applicable	TK = traditional knowledge	YKDFN = Yellowknives Dene First Nation
GNWT = Regulatory Authority/Responsible Minister	WLWB = Wek'èezhìı Land and Water Board	T = Tłįcho overnment
ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada	WMMP = Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan	NSMA = North Slave Métis Alliance
ENR = GNWT – Environment and Natural Resources	GNWT = Government of Northwest Territories	TASR = Tłįcho All-Season Road
INF = GNWT - Infrastructure		