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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
Yellowknife, NT

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Dear Ms. Cliffe-Phillips;

Deh Cho Bridge – Environmental Assessment Information Requests 1.1.1 – 1.1.5

Attached is a revised responses to information request IR 1.1.4, prepared on behalf of the proponent, the Deh Cho Bridge Corporation. We have corrected the list of agencies involved in the Interagency Group.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any further information that may assist in the process.

Yours truly,

Andrew Gamble

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Environmental Assessment of Deh Cho Bridge
Response to Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
Information Request

IR Number: 1.1.4

Response:

a) The DCBC has consulted with the Interagency Group and its constituent members regarding their concerns and suggestions for minimizing, monitoring and mitigating potential social impacts, particularly during construction. This group brings together all agencies involved in community social issues to co-ordinate their efforts. It includes:

- o Deh Gah Got'ie First Nation
- o Hamlet of Ft. Providence
- o Metis Local #57
- o Alcohol & Drug Program
- o RCMP
- o Health & Social Services - Health Centre
- o Deh Gah School
- o Aboriginal Headstart
- o Aurora College
- o Local Training Authority
- o Elders activity Coordinator
- o Community wellness coordinator
- o Community Justice coordinator
- o Parish Church
- o New life Church
- o Friendship centre
- o Drug & alcohol worker
- o Wellness Coordinator

In the Community Benefits Commitment Plan, the DCBC proposes several measures to achieve the objective of minimizing negative impacts (DAR Appendix 7, pages 8 and 11).

In addition there is a plan to invest \$25,000 in a community organization to monitor social impacts and consider remedial actions as required. This would be initiated on final approval of the project. The DCBC will seek recommendations from the Inter Agency Action Group on which organization(s) would take the lead.

- b) Together, the member agencies represent the full range of community knowledge, skills and responsibilities to support community social development.
- c) This will be up to the participating agencies to determine, but would likely include monitoring of any trends/increases in reported incidents or referrals.
- d) It is anticipated that the responsible agencies would determine appropriate responses to any issues and will maintain contact with DCBC and its contractors on any actions required by them. The DCBC will consider cost-sharing additional resources where need can be demonstrated.