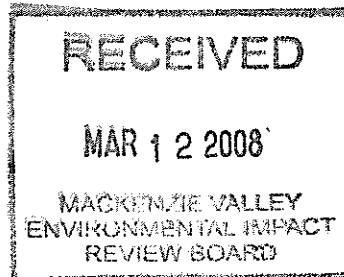




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Patrick:

Re: Comments on TOR/Work Plan for Taltson Hydroelectric Expansion Project

The Northwest Territory Metis Nation has the following comments:

- Caribou: would like to see an ongoing study due to the 70+% decline in population
- Fish and fur bearing: ongoing studies
- Nonacho Lake: ongoing studies for vegetation fish and birds
- Winter access road should be open to employees and contractors only.
- Want access to results of current studies in the area, in order we make informed decisions.
- Ice studies should be done for the life of the project, not just at the beginning.
- Carry out studies on the species at risk.
- Strongly opposed to the Lockhart River Dam, which is within our traditional territory. Lutsel K'e is stating the transmission line will pass through their sacred area, yet they want to build a dam there?
- Want guaranteed employment/economic opportunities for FRMC membership.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the Interim Measures Agreement offices.

Marci cho,

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