## Meeting Report - WRRB and GNWT meeting

### Main Issue:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resource Board's (WRRB's) request for an extension for the WRRB's technical report, currently due October 11, 2017.

### **Attendees:**

- 1. Boyan Tracz, WRRB
- 2. Jody Pellissey, WRRB
- 3. Zabey Nevitt, Tłįcho Government
- 4. Andrea Patenaude,
  Environment and Natural
  Resources (ENR) Government
  of the Northwest Territories
  (GNWT)
- 5. James Hodson, ENR-GNWT
- 6. Heather Sayine-Crawford, ENR-GNWT
- 7. Kate Witherly, ENR-GNWT

- 8. Laurie McGregor, ENR-GNWT
- 9. Lara Mountain, Infrastructure-GNWT
- 10. Mark Cronk, Infrastructure-GNWT
- 11.Michael Conway, Infrastructure-GNWT
- 12.Stu Niven, Infrastructure-GNWT
- 13. Sean Craig, Finance-GNWT
- 14. Lorraine Seale, Lands-GNWT
- 15. Tamika Mulders, Lands-GNWT
- 16. Damian Panayi, Golder

Meeting date: September 11, 2017

# Summary of discussion:

The WRRB, the GNWT and the Tłįchǫ Government met to discuss the <u>WRRB's August 31. 2017 request</u> for an extension for submitting their intervention for the Tłįchǫ All-season Road environmental assessment. The WRRB has requested that the GNWT consider accepting the portion of the WRRB's intervention that addresses Western science-based comments on boreal caribou on October 23 instead of on October 11, 2017. The WRRB is requesting an extension for the Western science-based boreal caribou section of their intervention because their subject matter expert will be away for part of October. The WRRB will submit the portion of their intervention that addresses the WRRB's concerns for all other matters, including traditional knowledge on boreal caribou, by October 11, 2017. The WRRB does not believe that their request for an extension will affect the November 15-17, 2017 public hearing dates in Whatì.

The GNWT is amenable to receiving an intervention from the WRRB for everything but science-based boreal caribou information on October 11 and receiving the science-based boreal caribou information on October 23, 2017, as long as the established timelines regarding the public hearings are not affected. The GNWT is

amenable to this request due to the WRRB's technical expert being unavailable and the WRRB not wishing to delay the public hearing.

The WRRB and the GNWT also discussed the <u>WRRB's questions for the GNWT</u> that were submitted on September 8, 2017.

## Developer commitments(s):

The GNWT will address the questions that the WRRB submitted on September 8, 2017. The GNWT will attempt to answer the WRRB's questions by October 3, 2017.

## Outstanding issue(s) for the party:

The GNWT may require additional time to respond to the science-based boreal caribou portion of the WRRB's intervention if the Review Board grants an extension for that portion of the WRRB's intervention. The GNWT and the WRRB discussed a possible extension until November 1 for the GNWT to respond to this portion of the WRRB's intervention (as opposed to a response by the GNWT on October 27). The GNWT will discuss the issue with the WRRB and the Review Board, if needed, once the WRRB's intervention has been submitted.

## **Next steps:**

The GNWT and the WRRB have agreed, as long as the established timelines regarding the public hearings are not affected, that both parties are amenable to the Review Board granting an extension until October 23, 2017 for the science-based boreal caribou portion of the WRRB's intervention, while all other portions of the WRRB intervention will follow the established timelines and be submitted October 11, 2017. The GNWT and the WRRB understand that this agreement is subject to approval from the Review Board.

Signature of party representative:

Jody Pellissey (WRRB)

Date

Signature of developer representative:

Michael Conway (GNWT)

Date