Looking for Your Input

The Porcupine Caribou Management Board is recommending the following current Dempster Highway regulations be rescinded:

- 500-metre No Hunting Corridor
- “Let the Leaders Pass” Closure
- Off-road Vehicles/Snow Machines

Rescinded November 4, 2014

Northwest Territories Environment and Natural Resources
NWT Resident Harvest

Current Resident Regulations:
- Require hunting licence
- can purchase 2 bull only tags per year
- Season 15 Aug to 30 April
- PCH only area in Inuvik region where residents can harvest caribou -- Zone U/BC/01 (Beverly/Ahaik Herds) opened to resident hunting December 2013

Data based on:
- Licensing system record of hunters/tags sold
- Mail in (3 wave) resident survey (12/13 still in progress)
- Phone around to those not reporting through mail out to increase reporting
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NWT Resident Harvest

• Maximum harvest assumes all unreported tags were used
• Addressing issue with Box numbers

• ENR working on increasing reporting rates
• Due to closures of other areas, need to continue to look at data from other regions as well. Zone U/BC/01 (Beverly/Ahaik Herds) opened in December 2013
Check Station

• In 2014 ENR funded TRRC running the check station.
  • 1 Aug to 9 Oct
  • Low numbers of caribou on highway
  • 45 caribou reported, >80% reported were bulls.
Body Condition Samples

- PCTC reporting the data
- working on increasing sample size
- hunters collecting samples
Sight-in-your-rifle

• none in 2014

Signs

• Highway signs at up at the start of the Dempster and on the south side of the Peel river
• Sign up in Aklavik as well
Habitat

- a few very small fires in the NWT range of PCH in 2014
- snow depth station data collected annually at 6 sites along the Dempster
ENR plans to:

• Continue to work with co-management partners and other Parties to implement the plan
• Work with partners to improve harvest data collection
• Help compare information from check station and field reporting
• Continue hunter education work – building on messages
  - Maximize bull harvest in the fall when bulls are in best shape
  - Report harvest data
  - Sight in your rifle
Implementation Plan Review

Implementation Plan
A companion document to the
Harvest Management Plan
for the Porcupine Caribou
Herd in Canada

December 17, 2010
Questions ?
Comments?