June 30, 2015

Mr. Joe Tetlich-Chair
Porcupine Caribou Management Board
Box 31723,
Whitehorse, Yukon Territory
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Re: PCMB: 2015 Recommendations to AHM report

Dear Mr. Tetlich:

The First Nation of Nacho Nyäk Dun would like to acknowledge the receipt of the letter dated February 23rd 2015 regarding the discussions and recommendations made during the PCMB Annual Harvest Meeting, held in Inuvik, NT, February 11th and 12th 2015.

The First Nation of Nacho Nyäk Dun has reviewed the PCMB Annual Harvest Meeting Report and Recommendations to the Parties and supports the actions set forth.

B. Recommended Harvest Management Zones and Harvest Management Actions for the PCH to remain in the Green Zone (above 115,000) and its implications as follows:

- Harvest only the amount required
- Licensed hunters receive a maximum of two bull tags
- Shooting will be accurate and wounded animals will be retrieved; and
- Parties will collect rigorous and verifiable harvest data, to be provided for the Annual Harvest Meeting

C. Rationale for Board Recommendations:

NND reviewed the HMP suite of indicators, which are considered when determining the status of the PCH. As per these indicators (pg 19 HMP) NND is prepared to support these actions as set forth in the AMP 2015 report.

D. Recommendations Regarding Other Concerns, and is committed to moving forward with the following items:

1. Incorporate Traditional Knowledge and local hunter knowledge into process
2. Coordinate workshop on computer modeling
3. Finalize summary of historical harvest data collection efforts
4. Develop a Native user Agreement (NND/TH/VGG)
5. Communicate clear messaging regarding regulations and harvesting rights

In closing, NNDFN would like to thank the PCMB for their continued efforts in the management of the Porcupine Caribou Herd and look forward in continuing the collaborative measures taken to maintain a healthy population, for future generations.

I would also like to mention NND is currently in the selection process for an alternate PCMB member. Upon the decisions made you will be informed of our new represented.

If you have any questions with regards to our response to the recommendations, please do not hesitate to contact the NND-Fish and Wildlife Officer at 867-996-2265 ext 143.

Sincerely,

Chief Simon Mervyn