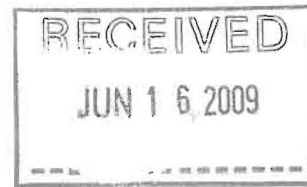




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June 9, 2009

Joe Tetlich, Chair
Porcupine Caribou Management Board
Box 31723
Whitehorse, YT Y1A 6L3

Dear Mr. Tetlich:

Re: Porcupine Caribou Interim Conservation Measures & Consultation Extension

Thank you for your correspondence of April 29, 2009, regarding the Yukon Government's proposed interim conservation measures for the Porcupine caribou herd.

I would like to reiterate the Government of Yukon's support for the development of a Harvest Management Plan for the Porcupine caribou herd as the best means for ensuring the conservation of this important natural resource. I would also like to reiterate the Yukon government's overriding commitment to ensuring the conservation of this herd is paramount.

The measures that government is contemplating would be interim measures until a harvest management plan is completed and implemented by the parties. At that time, the Government of Yukon's interim measures will be reevaluated and consultation with all affected parties and stakeholders will be undertaken again.

Environment Yukon is working with your offices to set up face-to-face meetings to discuss the proposed interim conservation measures for the Porcupine caribou herd and to provide additional information as required. In addition, in recognition of the timing, Environment Yukon is extending the closing of the consultation to June 30, 2009. If you have any further questions regarding this process, please contact Environment Yukon's Designated Representative, Boyd Pyper, at 867.667.8681 or via email at boyd.pyper@gov.yk.ca.

Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elaine Taylor".

Elaine Taylor
Minister of Environment

