

Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board

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GRRB TELECONFERENCE MINUTES

May 21, 2014 10:00 AM MST (NT) / 9:00 AM PST (YT)

Attendance

- GRRB Office: Jozef Carnogursky (Member), Amy Amos (staff), Kristen Callaghan (staff), Janet Boxwell (staff)
- On call: Eugene Pascal (Chair), Burt Hunt (Member), Ron Allen (Alternate Member), Bobbie Jo Greenland Morgan (Member), Charlie Snowshoe (Member), Johnny Charlie (Member)

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Eugene Pascal at 10:05 AM. The meeting goal is to decide on the next steps required for the GRRB to feel comfortable making a motion to approve the draft Bluenose West, Bluenose East and Cape Bathurst management plan.

2. Agenda

Motion # GRRB 2014-18	To approve the May 21, 2014 teleconference agenda
Moved by: Bobbie Jo Greenland Morgan	Seconded by: Charlie Snowshoe
All in favour.	Motion carried.

3. Minutes

The draft minutes were provided for the February 2014 face to face meeting. It was decided to table a decision on them until the September 2014 face to face meeting.

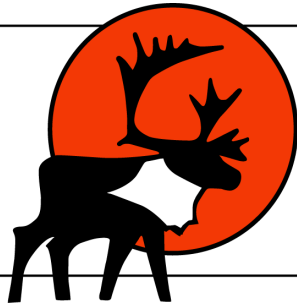
4. Conflict

Conflict will be declared as it arises.

5. GRRB Consultation

Amy introduced what is included in the binder under Tab 5 then Kristen presented the consultation steps taken during the development of the draft Bluenose West, Bluenose East and Cape Bathurst management plan (BWBECEB MP). Kristen noted that the materials were not on the online public registry but were given to the RRC's and notes were always available at the GRRB office. The last time she met with the RRCs was in 2011 and at that time she had indicated this was the last opportunity for comments.

Discussion: The board discussed the presentation and agreed the consultation requirements were exceeded and that we should finalize this process and move forward. The Board questioned whether there are any liability issues by not posting to an online registry. This consultation policy was developed at the same time as this draft was being developed so there are some concepts in the consultation policy that are not addressed fully. The policy also did not talk about multi-agency



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plans. The GRRB staff are working to make the online registry more operational. In the interim, all consultation materials are available at the GRRB office.

Action(s): It was agreed to make the online registry a priority and to post according to the GRRB's consultation policy. Amy and Janet will work on this.

6. ACCWM Meeting Goals

The Board reviewed the email in the meeting binder under Tab 6.

Discussion: The Board asked for an update on the past issue regarding whether the herds should be classified as one or three separate herds. The Advisory Committee for the Cooperation of Wildlife Management (ACCWM) decided to keep managing as three separate herds. This was appreciated by the Board as it continues to support the 3 herd approach which is in line with the terms of reference for the working group and memorandum of understanding for the ACCWM. To further help address this issue, the working group has created a hot topic boxes for items of potential concern. This topic was selected for a hot topic in the recommended plan which speaks to how the ACCWM is dealing with this issue. The Board discussed the goals for the upcoming meeting and agreed the GRRB September meeting should happen prior the ACCWM meeting to allow the members to discuss the plan and give direction to the ACCWM members (Eugene Pascal and Jozef Carnogursky). The goal will be to approve the plan.

Action(s): Amy to respond to the ACCWM indicating the following:

- GRRB supports that the ACCWM meeting goal should be to approve the plan
- GRRB wishes to hold the ACCWM meeting the week of September 22nd (after its bi-annual meeting)

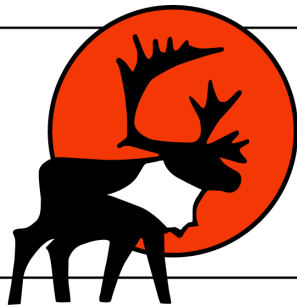
7. RRC Involvement

The Board discussed the amount of consultation already taken place in the Gwich'in Settlement Area starting in 2009. The considered how the RRC should be involved and decided the RRC's have already had substantive input into the plan during those consultation rounds, which exceed what is reflected in our consultation policy. There were concerns if the Board were to re-engage at this point, with new council members that were not involved in the previous consultation rounds, that it could result in a desire to restart the process.

Decision: The Board agreed to respect the input from the previous councils and to consider the consultation complete. The Board will consider the final recommended draft at their September meeting.

8. GRRB Approval

The Board discussed what is required in order for the Board to be prepared to make a decision to approve this plan.



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Decision: The Board agreed they will review all the required materials prior to the September Board meeting with the goal to approve the plan at that meeting.

Action(s):

- Amy to send the draft management plan to all members after this call.
- Amy to send the associated community plan to all members after this call.
- Amy to send the associated science status report to all members as soon as it is available. ENR is responsible for drafting this.
- Kristen to provide a briefing note to the members at least one month prior to the September Board meeting.

9. ACCWM Meeting

The Board discussed the date the works best for them to hold the ACCWM meeting.

Decision: The week of September 22, 2014 works best for the GRRB.

Action(s): Amy will email the ACCWM to inform them of the GRRB's preferred date for the next ACCWM meeting.

10. Other Business

- **GRRB September meeting date:** The Board decided to hold their September face-to-face meeting on September 10-11, 2014 in Aklavik.
- **Alternate involvement:** The Board discussed alternate involvement in meetings. Amy read section 2.4.8 out of the GRRB's operating procedures manual for additional clarity. It was decided that both Burt and Ron should attend the September face-to-face meeting to get sworn in, if the budget supports it.
- **Upcoming meetings:** The Board discussed the upcoming meeting schedule provided on the teleconference agenda. The Board will email Amy their date preferences for a teleconference in July.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.

Motion # GRRB 2014-19
Moved by: Johnny Charlie
All in favour.

To adjourn the May 21, 2014 GRRB Teleconference
Seconded by: Jozef Carnogursky
Motion carried.