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Dear Mr. Tetlich:

Harvest Management Plan 2020 Annual Harvest Meeting – Porcupine Caribou Management Board Recommendations

Thank you for your letter of March 4, 2020 summarizing the Porcupine Caribou Management Board's (PCMB) Annual Harvest Meeting in Dawson City, Yukon held on February 11 and 12, 2020.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) supports the PCMB recommendation that the Porcupine caribou herd be considered in the Green Zone (above 115,000) and that the following harvest management actions be implemented:

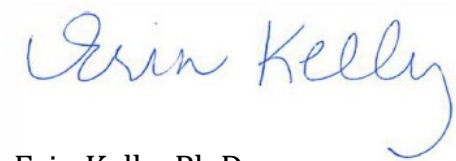
- Harvest only the amount needed;
- Licensed hunters receive a maximum of two bull tags;
- Shooting will be accurate and wounded animals will be retrieved; and,
- Parties will collect rigorous and verifiable harvest data, to be provided before the Annual Harvest meeting.

ENR recognizes the significant effort made by the PCMB in supporting communities in following appropriate harvesting practices, harvest monitoring and reporting functions. Our department is committed to continued work with the PCMB on these endeavors as well as on other recommended areas including body condition monitoring programs, education initiatives and working with Yukon and Parks Canada towards a range-wide Porcupine caribou herd tag.

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I would like to thank the PCMB for its continued leadership in advocating the conservation and sound management of the Porcupine caribou herd, and for working hand in hand with communities and co-management partners in the NWT and Yukon that rely on this important shared resource.

Sincerely,



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