

# SAHTÚ LAND USE PLAN

## Annual Monitoring Report

### 2021/22

UPDATED VERSION - OCTOBER 2022\*



## Dear Planning Partners,

The Sahtú Land Use Planning Board ("SLUPB") is happy to release its second annual monitoring report on the implementation of the Sahtú Land Use Plan ("Plan"). It deals with the way the Plan has been implemented by Regulators by monitoring the authorizations/dispositions they issued between April 1st, 2021, and March 31st, 2022. In addition to this, a new requirement was implemented this year, which required Regulators to report on how they considered the Plan's Conformity Requirements. These are the rules that must be followed by land use activities requiring an authorization/disposition issued by a Regulator. This is an important step into understanding how the Plan is being implemented, and continue work with Regulators to make sure that it is understood. The ultimate goal is to evaluate how the Plan's clarity can be improved to better achieve the guiding principles of the Plan, as set out in the Sahtu Dene and Metis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement (SDMCLCA).

The Plan is a document that outlines what land uses are allowed, where they are allowed, and under what conditions. Its primary purpose is to protect and promote the well-being of the people and communities in the Sahtú Settlement Area. The Plan's goals focus on sustaining ecological and cultural integrity, increasing community capacity and decision-making about land and resource management, and increasing economic self-sufficiency through sustainable development. The Plan is implemented by a range of governments and organizations that approve land uses in the Sahtú Settlement Area. These are the Regulators that reported on the land use activities requiring an authorization/disposition, as presented in this report.

We hope that this document provides a useful overview for all Planning Partners as a means to understand how the Plan is being implemented by Regulators. We will be publishing yearly reports followed by a detailed review and evaluation after several years of monitoring. Another component the SLUPB will be looking at in the coming years is its Stream 2 monitoring, which will evaluate how the Plan's vision and goals are being achieved.

The SLUPB would like to thank all of the Regulators who shared information for this year's monitoring report, and we look forward to continuing working with Regulators on improving the Plan's understanding and develop solutions that better enable its implementation. This collaborative work also helps SLUPB staff understand the challenges faced by Regulators, assisting them in improving their own internal processes. We recommend readers to visit the SLUPB's website at [www.sahtulanduseplan.org](http://www.sahtulanduseplan.org), where you will find a variety of other resources that support the Plan. Our staff people and Board Members are also happy to answer questions and listen to your input. By contributing to SLUPB activities, together we all can improve the implementation of the Plan.

Mahsi,



Heather Bourassa  
Chairperson, Sahtú Land Use Planning Board

## Meni rakəzə Ƴegháláyudake ts'é Ƴedatl'e,

Sahtú Land Use Planning Board ("SLUPB") Ƴedíní hederí xai gotegodéwe toréht'e nídé Sahtú gonénék'e dá k'ínagoyjw'e ("Plan") goƳedjhtl'e bek'e gots'udə gha Ƴeká kighqərahəť'e. Hederí Ƴedjhtl'e bedágharé April 1st, 2021 hé March 31st, 2022 Ƴekuhxai gok'énehta yerí goghálakeyida hé xədə hehsj dagháré gok'e k'ínagokeyjə Ƴareyóné begodé gok'e rjkenétl'e Ƴekú gogha dátl'e. Ƴeyí dágéts'é hjdúh meni lání nek'e Ƴegháláyedə nídé gok'e k'ínarehta xədə bedágharé Ƴeghálakeyúda Ƴek'óne hehsj bek'éhtá Ƴeghálats'eyúda yíle kehé dá k'ínagaw'e ghq ƳekáƳakədí gha. Hederí xədə bek'é Ƴeghálats'eyúda hehsj la meni lání nehk'e Ƴeghálakeyedə nídé bedágharé Ƴeghálakeyedə wóle gha Ƴahəť'e. Gogháré meni lání nehk'e Ƴeghálats'eyedə nídé súde xədə k'éhtá Ƴeghálakeyedə got'ódeƳə kokenihshq gha gok'ek'ínakerehta gha. Ƴeyí Sahtú Dene hé Tadə Móla ke gha neh Hesórídaonét'q gha Ƴelehé xədə hehsj (SDMCLCA) bedágharé xədə hehsj Ƴahəť'e hé Ƴareyóné bek'éhtá Ƴeghálats'eyúda gha Ƴahəť'e.

Hederí Ƴedjhtl'e the Plan dedí Ƴeyíla bedágharé judení nénék'e dúle gok'e Ƴeghálakeyedə hé dádéhwá dúle Ƴegúhyá Ƴeghálakeyedə gózə yerí dúle gok'e Ƴeghálakeyedə dai gogha xədə dagháré Ƴeghálakeyedə gha. Xədə begharé Ƴeghálakeyúda Ƴeyí la begharé Sahtú Gonéné Kesórídaonét'q yíle gok'e t'ásəƳagodə goch'á dene ghamé kek'éyedigodí gha Ƴagot'j. Ƴeyí Ƴedjhtl'e dedí Ƴeyíla bedágharé hjdúh neh dá gok'e góq léguwoht'e hé judení gonéné gots'edihsha hé keyagots'ewé kek'égudí gha, gózə kqé kádéƳə hjtj kunénék'e dá k'ínaguw'e hé gots'q dúle laní nehk'e Ƴeghálakeyedə nídé gots'q sqbə deneghádéwowí gokə Ƴagot'j gha, gózə nehk'e denezə Ƴagot'j gháré dene Ƴedegha sqbə kehsj gha. Hederí Sahtú Gonéné Kesórídaonét'q hehsj Ƴeyí government gots'q hé gózə kqta gots'q Ƴegháláyida kádeƳə gots'q w'íla Ƴedjhtl'e hehsj kudágharé dátl'e. Hederí ke hjt'j yá judení nehk'e Ƴeghálakeyida hé Ƴareyóné nehk'e dák'ínagaw'e goxədə shjkeyelə hagú yerí kegokihqə goghq xədə Ƴedjhtl'e kehsj.

Hederí Ƴedjhtl'e dagháré meni lání nehk'e Ƴegháláyedə ke hé meni xədə bedágharé Ƴeghálats'eyedə hehsj ke dai Ƴareyóné xədə bek'étaħ Ƴegháyeláts'eyedə kokedúhsha gogha dátl'e Ƴahəť'e. Lígí xai gotegodewe toreht'e Ƴekúħ xai dágaw'e ghq Ƴedítl'e gha bəzə júhnə dáreht'e xai gots'q yerí hé judení Ƴeghálakeyedə gok'ek'ínaríta goxədə behé déhtl'e gha. Gózə SLUPB hjdówé nídé hederí Stream 2 gogháláyida kéƳegokerúhw'í keníwé Ƴeyíla begharé hjdú yerí k'ek'ínakerehta hé sú gonezq gaw'e kéƳets'íja gha .

Ƴeyí SLUPB meni xədə bek'éhtá Ƴeghálats'eyúda hehsj gok'e k'ínarehta ke xədə shiyala yíle raxeghárəla goghq máhiş raxqdíli, hjdówé gots'é raxezə Ƴegháláyewída gogha Ƴední Ƴeghálats'eyedə gha. raxegháré yerí hé gonezq k'ínagow'e hé yerí dúle gots'éƳóné gonezq k'ínaguw'e kots'ehnihshq gha. Hederí xədə shjts'eyéla yíle begharé SLUPB xədə dágóhlj k'éhtá Ƴeghálats'eyedə gha godəyj kegots'ihə gha gogháré Ƴekədədíní yerí goghálakeyúda kegokihə gha. Hagú hóyí dene w'íla wayí yerí gogháláyida kodewahsha gogha SLUPB at [www.sahtulanduseplan.org](http://www.sahtulanduseplan.org) gok'e gáyahda. Déhyá t'áhiş goghq kots'edúhsha ts'eníwé nídé dúle meni raxegha Ƴegháláyedə ts'é gahdə. Ƴeyí SLUPB kuts'érádats'edí gháré dúle gots'éƳóné gonezq dene ghamé Ƴegháláyida gha.

Máhsí,



Heather Bourassa  
Chairperson, Sahtú Land Use Planning Board

## BOARD MEMBERS

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*Land Use Planner*

*"The purpose of land use planning is to protect and promote the social, cultural and economic well-being of residents and communities in the settlement area, having regard to the interests of all Canadians"*

*"Special attention shall be devoted to the rights of the... Sahtu First Nations under their land claim agreements, to protecting and promoting their social, cultural and economic well-being and to the lands used by them for wildlife harvesting and other resource uses"*

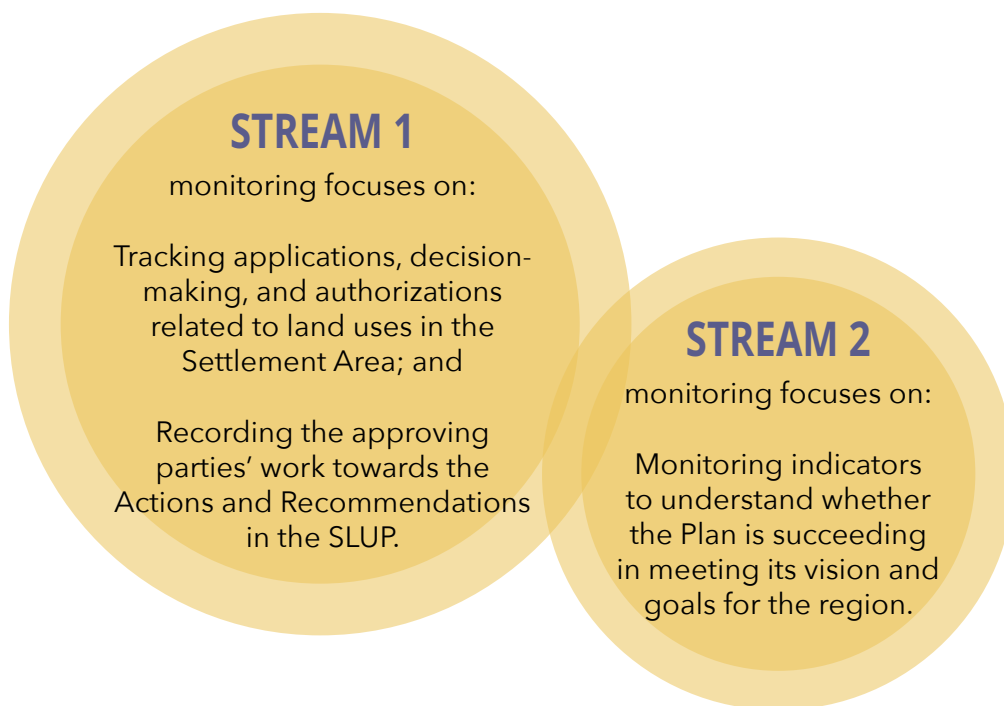
*- Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act - S.35*

# MONITORING AND EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

*"Subject to the approval of a land use plan, a planning board shall monitor the implementation of the Plan."*

*-Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act - S.44*

In 2019, our Board and staff worked with consultants HTFC Planning & Design to develop the Sahtú Land Use Plan Monitoring & Evaluation Framework. This document sets out a structure to organize the Board's monitoring activities into two streams.



Our work in 2021 / 2021 has focused on setting up Stream 1 monitoring. This report shares the Stream 1 monitoring results for the 2021/2022 fiscal year (April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022).

# Sahtú Land Use Plan Monitoring Cycle

From Sahtú Land Use Plan Monitoring & Evaluation Framework, 2019



A planning process begins with a **Plan Vision & Goals** for what we hope to achieve through our plan.

The plan then sets out a series of **Management Activities** (in this case conformity requirements, actions, and recommendations) intended to help achieve the goals.

As we implement the plan, we can track our activities, and start **Monitoring Indicators** that help us to understand the impacts of our actions.

By evaluating the outcomes of our monitoring, we can determine where **Amendments & Adjustments** are needed in the Plan itself, or in our approach to implementing the Plan.

# MONITORING RESULTS

The following table presents permits and authorizations that were requested in the Sahtú Land Use Plan area in the 2021/22 fiscal year. Not all authorizations applied for were approved; where some authorizations are still ongoing (see the following tables).

The following regulators took part in the Year 2 monitoring discussions but had no applications for land uses in the 2021/22 fiscal year for lands covered by the Sahtú Land Use Plan:

- Sahtú Land and Water Board
- Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

## **GNWT:**

- GNWT Environment and Natural Resources – Environmental Protection and Waste Management Division
- GNWT Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas
- GNWT Industry Tourism and Investment – Oil and Gas

## **CANADA:**

- Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada
- Canada Energy Regulator
- Environment and Climate Change Canada – Canadian Wildlife Service
- Transport Canada
- Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

## **The following submitted unusable information:**

- Aurora Research Institute

## **The following did not report on their activities under the Plan in 2021/22:**

- GNWT Environment and Natural Resources – Wildlife

A more in-depth table titled “REGULATOR MONITORING ACTIVITIES” on pg. 24, is included in this report, providing more information about each Regulator, the authorizations they issue, and outcomes of monitoring activities.



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SLUP ZONE(S) & TYPE (adapted from S.3.2 of the Sahtú Land Use Plan)

***Special Management Zone (SMZ)***  
***Proposed Conservation Initiative (PCI)***  
***General Use Zones (GUZ)***

***Conservation Zone (CZ)***  
***Established Protected Area (EPA)***

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***Special Management Zones (SMZ)*** allow all types of land use other than bulk water removal, subject to the general CRs and applicable special management CRs outlined in the Plan. Special management CRs may differ between special management zones; some are limited in application to specified zones.

***Conservation Zones (CZ)*** are significant traditional, cultural, heritage and ecological areas in which specified land uses are prohibited. Permitted land uses (anything not prohibited, or grandfathered uses) are subject to the general CRs and applicable special management CRs outlined in the Plan.

***Proposed Conservation Initiatives (PCI)*** are areas for which formal legislated protection is being sought through the Protected Areas Strategy, pursuant to commitments under the *SDMCLCA*, or under Parks Canada's legislation. The establishment of a protected area is the intended use of PCIs and is permitted. PCIs have the same status as Conservation Zones in the Plan until they are protected under other legislation.

***Established Protected Areas (EPA)*** is the designation given to all legislated protected areas once they are fully established. Once an area is designated as an Established Protected Area, the Plan no longer provides direction to these areas. Instead, they are managed according to their sponsoring legislation and management plans (where applicable). As such, EPAs are treated separately than the four zone types in the rest of the Plan.

***General Use Zones (GUZ)*** allow all land use except bulk water removal, subject to the general CRs outlined in the Plan.

Refer to the [Sahtu Land Use Plan](#) for more information on each zone.

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## Permits & Authorizations Issued in the SLUP Area

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### LAND USE PERMITS & WATER LICENCES -

Issued by: Sahtú Land and Water Board (SLWB)



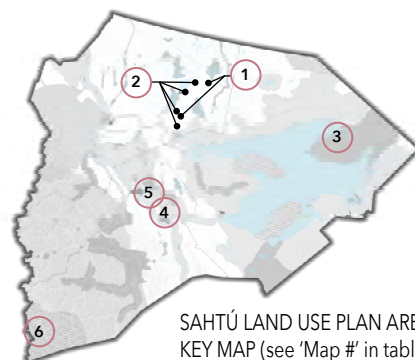
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SAHTÚ LAND USE PLAN AREA  
KEY MAP (see 'Map #' in table)

MAP #	PROPONENT / COMPANY	AUTHORIZATION / PERMIT REQUEST	LOCATION	SLUP ZONE(S) & TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT APPROVAL
1	MGM Energy	2 x Land Use Permit	Colville Lake Area	<b>GUZ</b>	Closure and Reclamation Consolidation Project - Well Abandonment and Final Closure and Reclamation	
2	MGM Energy	4 x Water Licence	Colville Lake Area	<b>GUZ</b>	Closure and Reclamation Consolidation Project - Well Abandonment and Final Closure and Reclamation	
3	Great Bear Lake Lodge Ltd.	Land Use Permit	Dease Arm of Great Bear Lake	<b>CZ 27</b> - ʔedaǰǰla (Caribou Point)	Renewal Application: 1) for passenger and fuel transfer; and 2) for existing quarry operations, on an existing private road	
4	GNWT Infrastructure	Land Use Permit	Prohibition Creek All-season Access Road from Canyon Creek	<b>SMZ 50</b> - Norman Range, within 5 km of <b>CZ 32</b> - Petiniʔah (Bear Rock), <b>GUZ</b>	A new quarry (Dhu-1), including new construction of a 4 km winter access road from the Mackenzie Valley Winter Road	
5	GNWT Infrastructure	Land Use Permit	Edie Lake Quarry	<b>GUZ</b>	Project to complete geotechnical borehole drilling in the Edie Lake Quarry to assess suitability of materials for Prohibition Creek road construction	
6	Selwyn Chihong Mining Ltd.	Land Use Permit	Canyon Creek	<b>PCI 41</b> - Nááts'ihch'oh	Renewal permit for mineral exploration activities in the Howard's Pass Area (of the Tuli'ta District/ NWT portion) of the trans-boundary Selwyn Project	

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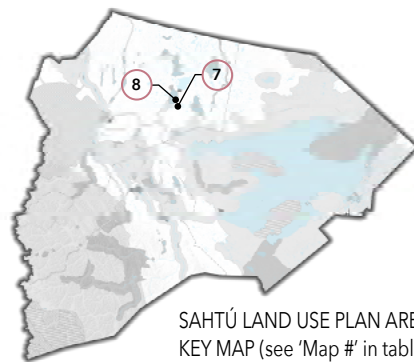
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7	Suncor Energy	Water Licence	Slater River Program Area Exploration Licence 494	GUZ	Construction on ice roads, laydown(s), camp area and wellsite leases including the well abandonment and reclamation of TWEED LAKE M-47, TWEED LAKE A-67 and BELE 0-35	
8	Suncor Energy	Land Use Permit	Slater River Program Area Exploration Licence 494	GUZ	Construction on ice roads, laydown(s), camp area and wellsite leases including the well abandonment and reclamation of TWEED LAKE M-47, TWEED LAKE A-67 and BELE 0-35	

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### FISHING LICENCES -

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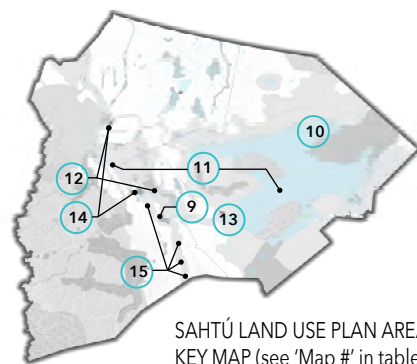
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9	Individual	Educational Licence	Tulit'a - Mouth of the Little Bear River	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River)	Educational Fishing	
10	DFO	Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	Great Bear Lake Area (Dease Arm)	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtu (Great Bear Lake & Watershed)	Scientific Research	
11	ECCC	2 x Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	Mackenzie River (and all other freshwater lakes and rivers flowing into this area), Great Bear Lake	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtu (Great Bear Lake & Watershed), <b>SMZ 25</b> - Du K'ets'edi (Sentinel Islands SMZ), <b>CZ 26</b> - Du K'ets'edi (Sentinel Islands CZ)	Scientific Research	
12	ECCC	2 x Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	Kelly Lake, Mackenzie River (Fort Good Hope Area)	<b>CZ 57</b> - Lugedegíl Tué & Tuyehíla Tué (Kelly & Lennie Lakes), <b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River)	Scientific Research	
13	ECCC	Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	Great Bear Lake (Déljñę Area)	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtu (Great Bear Lake & Watershed)	Scientific Research	
14	ECCC	2 x Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	Fort Good Hope/ Tulit'a/Norman Wells fishing area in the Mackenzie River	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>GUZ</b>	Scientific Research	
15	DFO Consultant	4 x Licence to fish for Scientific Purposes	25 unnamed watercourses and Bosworth Creek	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>GUZ</b>	Scientific Research	

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### ARCHAEOLOGY PERMITS -

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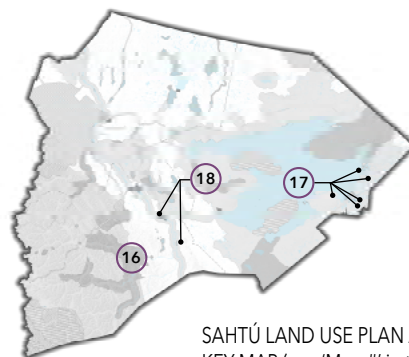
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16	ECE	Class 2 Archaeology Permit	Mackenzie Mountains, Tulit'a District	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'Iné Néné (Mountain Dene Land)	Shúhtaot'Iné Cultural Landscape Project	
17	ERM Consultants Canada Ltd.	5 x Class 2 Archaeology Permits	Sawmill Bay (Great Bear Lake)	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake & Watershed) <b>GUZ</b>	Archaeological impact assessment of the Great Bear Lake Remediation Project	
18	Stantec Consulting	2 x Class 2 Archaeology Permit	Mackenzie Valley Highway Corridor	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>SMZ 50</b> - Norman Range, <b>GUZ</b>	Archaeological impact assessment of proposed borrow sources for the Mackenzie Valley Highway	

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### TIMBER CUTTING PERMITS -

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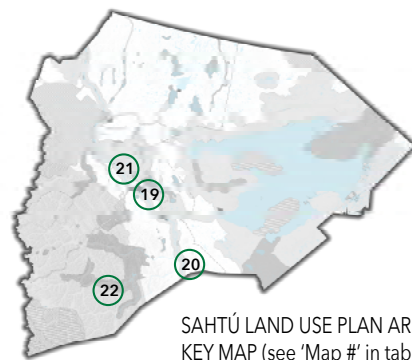
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19	Individual	Timber Cutting Permit	Between Norman Wells and Canyon Creek/Quarry	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>GUZ</b>	Targeting green & dead timber for fuelwood.	
20	Individual	Timber Cutting Permit	Sahtu Highway 1 Dehcho to Sahtu along the winter road.	<b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>GUZ</b>	Targeting green & dead timber for fuelwood.	
21	Individual	Timber Cutting Permit	Oscar Creek fire scar / area around ski cabin	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake Watershed), <b>GUZ</b>	Targeting green & dead timber for fuelwood.	
22	Raven's Throat Outfitters	Timber Cutting Permit	Hayhook Lake and vicinity	<b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtagot'ine Néné (Mountain Dene Land), <b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains	Targeting green timber for fuelwood.	

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### TOURISM OPERATOR LICENCE, ANNUAL RENEWALS (cont.) -

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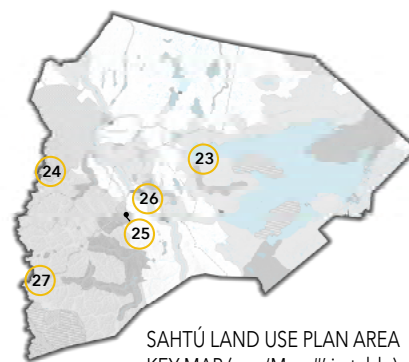
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23	963912 NWT Ltd.	Tourism Operator Licence	Great Bear Lake	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake & Watershed), <b>SMZ 25</b> - Du K'ets'edı SMZ (Sentinel Islands SMZ), <b>CZ 26</b> - Du K'ets'edı CZ (Sentinel Islands CZ)	Remote Fishing Lodge	
24	Arctic Red River Outfitters	Tourism Operator Licence	Mackenzie Mountains, Zone G/OT/01	<b>CZ 15</b> - Fossil Lake, <b>SMZ 20</b> - Snafu Creek, <b>CZ 42</b> - Fahᑭfá Nlǫ́né (Mountain River Extension), <b>SMZ 43</b> - Carcajou River, <b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River), <b>CZ 64</b> - Mackenzie River Islands, <b>PCI 65</b> - Ts'udé Nlǫ́né Tuyeta (Ramparts River & Wetlands)	Big Game Outfitter	
25	Canol Outfitters	Tourism Operator Licence	Mackenzie Mountains, Zone S/OT/03, Norman Wells, Fort Good Hope, Tulit'a, Délı́ne	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve), <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'ı́ne Néné (Mountain Dene Land), <b>CZ 47</b> - Cache Lake, <b>CZ 48</b> - Túésene (Mountain Hot Springs)	Big Game Outfitter	
26	CNA Ltd.	Tourism Operator Licence	Bear River, Keele River, Natla River, Redstone River, Ravensthoat River (Tulit'a District), Mountain River, Horton River (K'asho Got'ı́ne District), Anderson River (Délı́ne District)	<b>CZ 11</b> - Sihonlǫ́né (Anderson River), <b>SMZ 22</b> - Arakı́e Túé (Horton Lake), <b>SMZ 33</b> - Sahtú Deh (Great Bear River), <b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>CZ 42</b> - Fahᑭfá Nlǫ́né (Mountain River Extension), <b>SMZ 46</b> - K'ááchohtı́deé (Mountain River), <b>SMZ 63</b> - Deh Cho (Mackenzie River)	Paddling Operator	
27	Dechenla Lodge	Tourism Operator Licence	Mile 212 Canol Heritage Trail	<b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve)	Remote Lodge	

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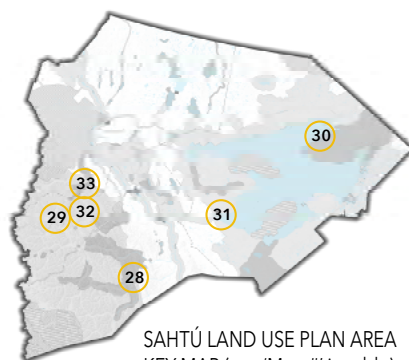
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28	Drum Lake Lodge	Tourism Operator Licence	Drum Lake	<b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'Iné Néné (Mountain Dene Land)	Remote Lodge	
29	Gana River Outfitters	Tourism Operator Licence	Mackenzie Mountains, Palmer Lake, Zone S/OT/01	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>CZ 45</b> - Palmer Lake	Big Game Outfitter	
30	Great Bear Lake Lodge	Tourism Operator Licence	Great Bear Lake, Zone S/MX/01 and S/BC/01, Horton River, Coppermine River	<b>SMZ 22</b> - Arakie Túé (Horton Lake), <b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake & Watershed)	Remote Fishing Lodge	
31	Grey Goose Lodge	Tourism Operator Licence	Great Bear Lake, Dél'Iné District, Zone S/MX/01, S/BC/01	<b>SMZ 22</b> - Arakie Túé (Horton Lake), <b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake & Watershed), <b>SMZ 24</b> - Neregah (Northshore), <b>SMZ 25</b> Du K'ets'edi SMZ (Sentinel Islands SMZ), <b>CZ 26</b> - Du K'ets'edi CZ (Sentinel Islands CZ), <b>CZ 27</b> - 7ehdaíjla (Caribou Point), <b>CZ 30</b> - Luchan'Iné (Whitefish River), <b>PCI 66</b> - Tuktut Nogait (Sahtú Expansion)	Tourism Lodge	
32	Mackenzie Mountain Outfitters Ltd.	Tourism Operator Licence	Mackenzie Mountains Zone S/OT/02	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains	Big Game Outfitter	
33	Mountain River Outfitters	Tourism Operator Licence	Canol Heritage Trail, Horton River, Keele, Mackenzie River, Mountain River	<b>SMZ 22</b> - Arakie Túé (Horton Lake), <b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve), <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'Iné Néné (Mountain Dene Land), <b>CZ 42</b> - Fah'fá N'Iné (Mountain River Extension)	Eco-Tourism Operator	

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### TOURISM OPERATOR LICENCE, ANNUAL RENEWALS (cont.) -

Issued by: GNWT Industry, Tourism and Investment (ITI), Tourism



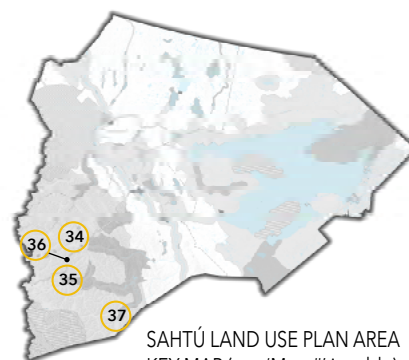
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MAP #	PROPONENT / COMPANY	AUTHORIZATION / PERMIT REQUEST	LOCATION	SLUP ZONE(S) & TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT APPROVAL
34	North-Wright Airways Ltd.	Tourism Operator Licence	Many places in Sahtú Region	<b>CZ 11</b> - Sihonlíné (Anderson River), <b>SMZ 22</b> - Arakíé Túé (Horton Lake), <b>CZ 35</b> - Táhlú Túé & Táshín Túé (Stewart & Tate Lakes), <b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve), <b>SMZ 43</b> - Carcajou River, <b>CZ 44</b> - Florence Lake, <b>CZ 45</b> - Palmer Lake, <b>CZ 53</b> - Tl'ode Túé (Sam McCrae Lake), <b>CZ 54</b> - Turton Lake, <b>CZ 56</b> - Kelly Lake Protected Area (Land Claim), <b>CZ 57</b> - Luggedegíl Túé & Tuyehíla Túé (Kelly and Lennie Lakes), <b>CZ 59</b> - Tuwí Túé (Mahony Lake), <b>CZ 60</b> - Three Day Lake	Eco-Tourism Operator	
35	NWT Outfitters Ltd.	Tourism Operator Licence	June Lake, Keele River, Zone S/OT/04	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'íne Néné (Mountain Dene Land)	Big Game Outfitter	
36	Ram Head Outfitters Inc.	Tourism Operator Licence	Godlin Lake, Godlin River	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains	Eco-Tourism Operator	
37	Raven's Throat Outfitters ULC	Tourism Operator Licence	Dal Lake, Hay Hook Lake, Mackenzie Mountains, Zone S/OT/05, All watersheds within S/OT/05	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'íne Néné (Mountain Dene Land)	Big Game Outfitter	

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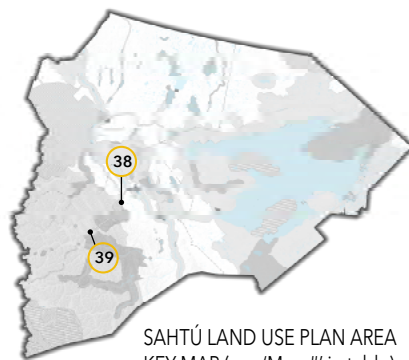
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38	Sahtu Adventures Inc.	Tourism Operator Licence	Bear Rock, Canol Heritage Trail, Franklin Mountain Range, Great Bear Lake, Keele River, Kelly Lake, Sahtú Region, Tulit'a District	<b>SMZ 23</b> - Sahtú (Great Bear Lake & Watershed), <b>CZ 32</b> - Petinı́zah (Bear Rock), <b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve), <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'ı́nē Néné (Mountain Dene Land), <b>CZ 56</b> - Kelly Lake Protected Area (Land Claim), <b>CZ 57</b> - Lugedegıl Túé & Tuyehı́la Túé (Kelly and Lennie Lakes)	Eco-Tourism Operator	
39	Norman Wells Land Corporation	Tourism Operator Licence	Norman Wells/ Canol Heritage Trail, Tulit'a District	<b>SMZ 38</b> - Mackenzie Mountains, <b>PCI 39</b> - Do Et'q (Doi T'oh Territorial Park and Canol Heritage Trail Reserve), <b>CZ 40</b> - Shúhtaot'ı́nē Néné (Mountain Dene Land), <b>CZ 47</b> - Cache Lake, <b>CZ 48</b> - Túésene (Mountain Hot Springs)	Cultural Tourism Operator	

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### MINERAL CLAIMS -

Issued by: GNWT - ITI Mining Recorder's Office / CIRNAC Mining Recorder's Office



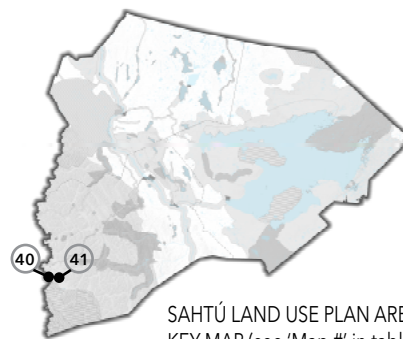
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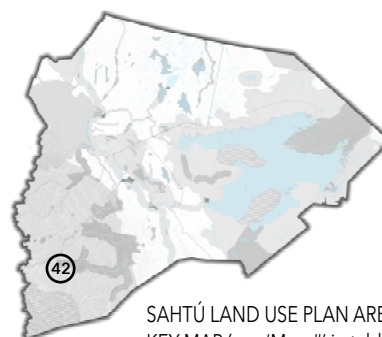
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40	Individual	Mineral Claim	Mackenzie Mountains	SMZ 38 - Mackenzie Mountains	Mineral Claim	
41	Individual	Mineral Claim	Mackenzie Mountains	SMZ 38 - Mackenzie Mountains	Mineral Claim	

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### TRANSFERS & LEASES -

Issued by: GNWT - Lands / CIRNAC



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MAP #	PROPONENT / COMPANY	AUTHORIZATION / PERMIT REQUEST	LOCATION	SLUP ZONE(S) & TYPE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT APPROVAL
42	NWT Outfitters Ltd.	Surface lease (disposition)	Mackenzie Mountains, Tulit'a District	SMZ 38 - Mackenzie Mountains	Surface Lease	

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### SCIENTIFIC PERMITS -

Issued by: ECCC - Canadian Wildlife Service



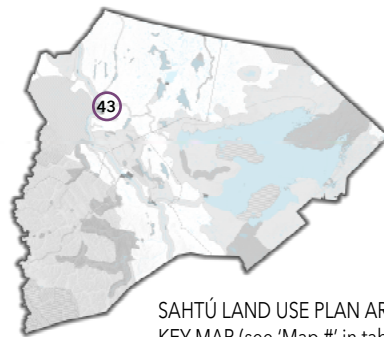
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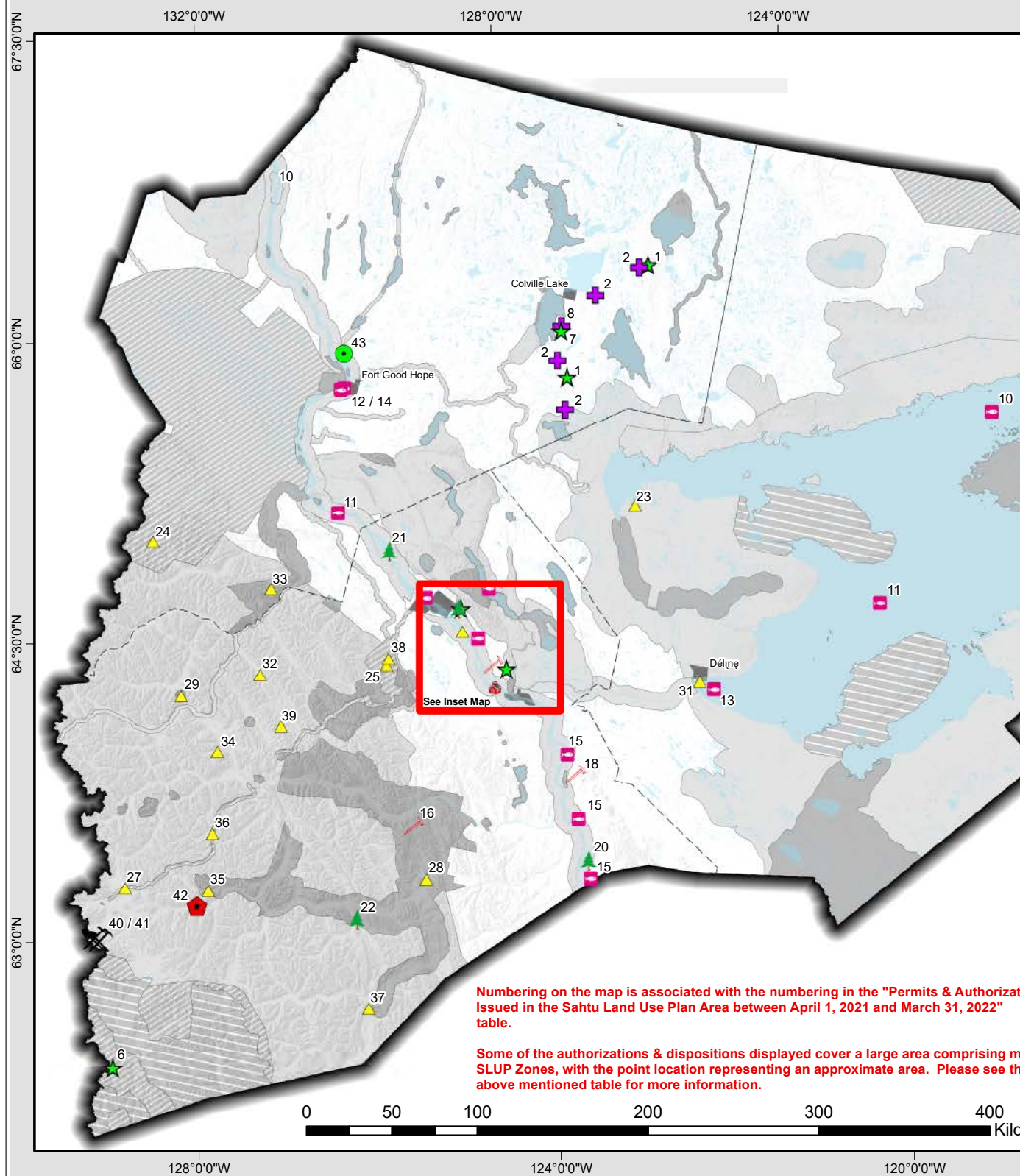


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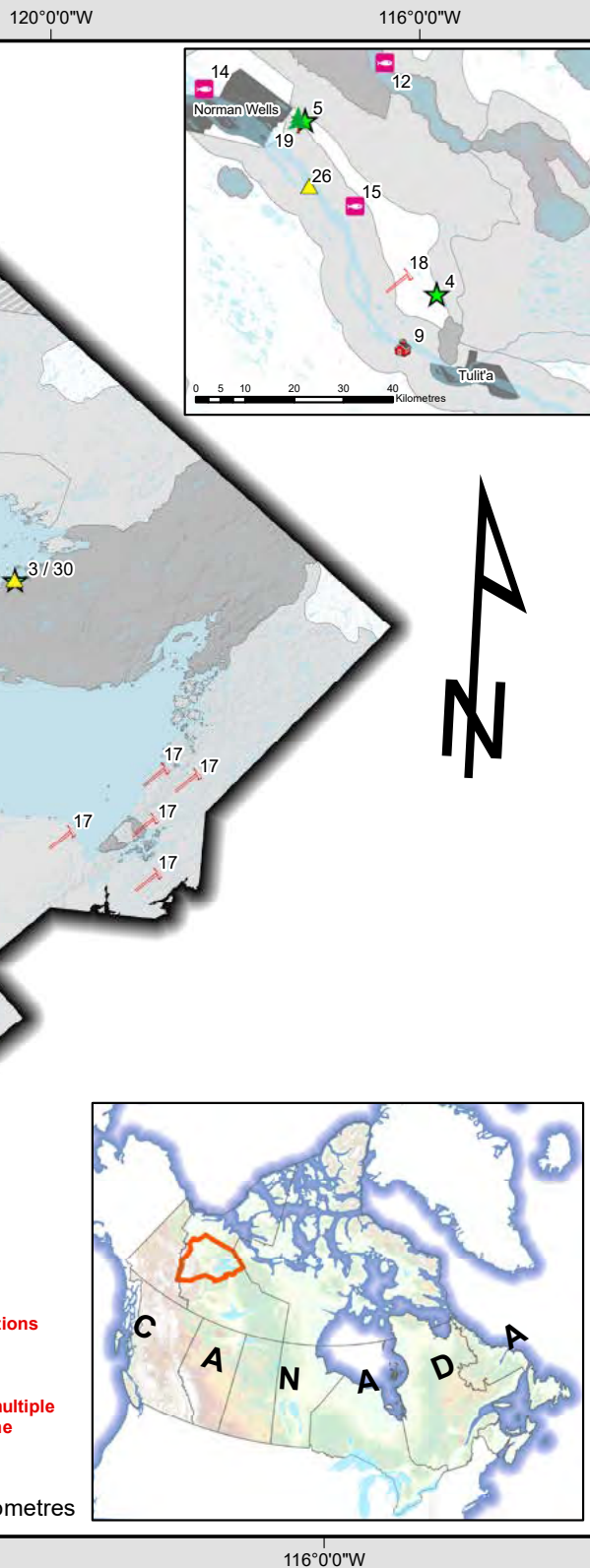
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43	ECCC	Scientific Permit	Fort Good Hope and vicinity	Not specified	Carcass study from catches provided by local hunters in Fort Good Hope	



# Authorizations & Dispositions Issued t



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## Legend

### Authorizations & Dispositions

- Class 2 Archaeology Permit
- Licence to Fish for Scientific Purposes
- Educational Licence (Fishing)
- Land Use Permit
- Water Licence
- Tourism Operator License
- Timber Cutting Permit
- Mineral Claim
- Scientific Permit
- Surface Lease (Disposition)

### SLUP Zone Type

- Community Boundary
- Conservation Zone
- General Use Zone
- Established Protected Area
- Proposed Conservation Initiative
- Special Management Zone

### Base Data

- Sahtu District Boundary
- Rivers & Lakes

### Data Sources:

- Authorizations & Dispositions, Compiled by the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board, Received from Regulators from FY2021-22, 2022.
- Hillshade - CDEM, Natural Resources Canada, Government of Canada.
- Rivers & Lakes - National Topographic Database (NTDB), Natural Resources Canada, Government of Canada.
- Sahtu Land Use Plan Zoning - Sahtu Land Use Planning Board, 2015.
- Sahtu Settlement Area - Canada Lands Administrative Boundary (CLAB), Canada Lands Survey System, Natural Resources Canada, Government of Canada, 2014.

### Projection:

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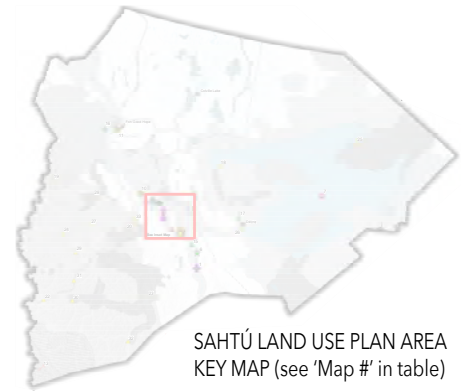
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### REGULATOR MONITORING ACTIVITIES

As reported to SLUPB

	DEPARTMENT / AGENCY	CATEGORIES
A	Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) - GNWT / Environmental Protection and Waste Management Division	Pesticide Application Permit
B	Lands - GNWT	Surface Tenure Permits
C	Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) - GNWT	Operations Authorization
D	Industry, Tourism and Investment (ITI) - GNWT / Oil and Gas Division	Oil and Gas Licences
E	Industry, Tourism and Investment (ITI) - GNWT / Mining Recorder's Office	Mineral Claim Lease and Permits
F	Industry, Tourism and Investment (ITI) - GNWT / Tourism	Tourism Operator Licence
G	Education, Culture and Employment (ECE) - GNWT / Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre	Class 1 & 2 Archaeology Permits
H	Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) - GNWT/Forest Management Division	Timber Cutting Permits
I	Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) - GNWT / Wildlife Division	Wildlife Permits
J	Aurora Research Institute (ARI)	Scientific Research Licence



SUMMARY	CONFORMITY NOTES	MONITORING RESULTS
ENR/Environmental Protection and Waste Management Division reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
Lands - GNWT reports no decisions at this time; one disposition review and monitoring activities continue.	A licence review is ongoing; as a disposition, CR conformity reviews have a reduced scope.	0
OROGO reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
ITI/Oil and Gas Division reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
ITI/Mining Recorder's Office reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.	CR reviews note approved mineral deposit exploration and development.	✓
ITI/Tourism has approved and is monitoring multiple licences operating in projects across the territory.	CR reviews note individual applications with meeting, partial, or low conformity. Applications are renewals and are grand-fathered licences.	✓
ECE is currently monitoring archaeological work along the proposed Mackenzie Valley Highway.	CR reviews include community outreach and the hire of local assistants/elders/monitors.	✓
ENR/Forest Management Division is monitoring impacts to multiple new permits.	CR reviews note multiple community benefits and understanding with beneficiaries.	✓
	ENR/Wildlife Division has not presented any information about applications for permits, or <i>Actions and Recommendations</i> of the Plan, despite multiple communication attempts by SLUPB staff.	✗
	ARI's current monitoring activities are missing information: 1) not identifying Plan zones where activities are occurring, or 2) whether conformity requirements have been considered. <b>SLUPB staff have tried working with ARI to improve plan implementation, but were met with resistance.</b>	✗



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No new licences reported

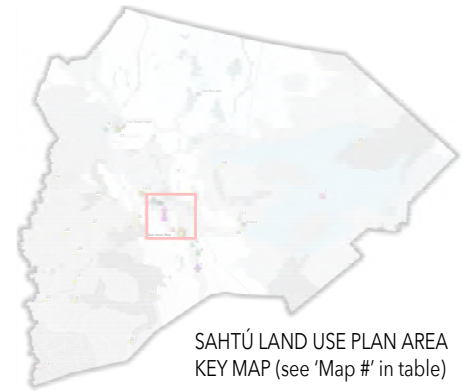
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	DEPARTMENT / AGENCY	CATEGORIES
K	Crown-Indigenous Relations & Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) - Government of Canada	Surface Tenure Permits
L	Crown-Indigenous Relations & Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) - Government of Canada / Mining Recorder's Office	Mineral Claim Lease and Permits
M	Canada Energy Regulator (CER) - Government of Canada	Certificate of Public Convenience
N	Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) - Government of Canada / Canadian Wildlife Service	Scientific Permits
O	Transport Canada (TC) - Government of Canada	Approval for Works
P	Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) - Government of Canada	CNSC Licence
Q	Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) - Government of Canada	Fishing Licence: Educational, Domestic, or Scientific Research
R	Sahtú Land and Water Board (SLWB)	Land Use Permit, Water Licence
S	Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB)	Land Use Permit, Water Licence (Transboundary Projects Only)



SUMMARY	NOTES	MONITORING RESULTS
CIRNAC reports no new authorizations at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
CIRNAC/MRO reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
CER reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.	All current projects are located outside of area boundaries where the SLUP applies.	0
ECCC/Canadian Wildlife Service reports a region-wide carcass study tied to Fort Good Hope.	Early and continuous involvement with ʔehdzo Got'ıne Renewable Resources Council and community members.	✓
TC reports no new applications at this time; monitoring activities continue.		0
CNSC reports no new projects at this time; monitoring activities continue.	No changes to decommissioned mine/ waste nuclear substance licences.	0
DFO reports multiple continuing licences, granted on direct authorization of the minister; monitoring activities continue.	Extensive communication received; detailed CRs are expected within the reports in the future.	✓
SLWB continues to monitor and inform SLUPB according to their mandate.	Board decisions received; extensive documentation and communication received.	✓
MVLWB continues to monitor and inform SLUPB according to their mandate.		0



Monitoring information shared



Information shared with missing details



Delinquent



No new licences reported

# PROGRESS TOWARD ACTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Sahtú Land Use Plan contains Actions and Recommendations that are intended to guide the Sahtú Land Use Planning Board, applicants, and regulators responsible for implementing the Sahtú Land Use Plan. The SLUP states, *“approving Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to complete all Actions pertaining to them.”* Recommendations are advisory in nature: the parties have been asked to *“consider and implement recommendations wherever feasible and appropriate”* (SLUP, p. 49).

The Sahtú Land Use Planning Board and regulators made some progress towards the Actions and Recommendations during the 2021/22 reporting period. However, many Regulators have not issued any authorizations or dispositions, while others have only issued a few. With that in mind, there have not been enough authorizations or dispositions for many Regulators to adequately evaluate their progress on implementing Actions and Recommendations from the SLUP. This may be in part due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which affected the region during the 2021/22 reporting period. During this time, due to travel related restrictions and uncertainties around the pandemic, activities were curtailed in the region. Reporting on the progress of Actions and Recommendations follows, as provided by the indicated organizations.



## ACTION #1:

# Sahtú Land Use Working Group

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**Responsibility: Sahtú Land Use Planning Board**

### SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

1. *"The SLUPB will make reasonable efforts to establish and lead a Sahtu Land Use Working Group as a collaborative forum through which to discuss, study and resolve key regional land use issues, and Plan implementation issues.*
2. *The SLUPB will chair the Working Group, which will consist of equal representation from Sahtu aboriginal organizations, and from government, regulators, industry and environmental organizations. Other participants may be invited from time to time to participate as resource people. Quorum requirements will be set to ensure adequate involvement of aboriginal organizations and government in all meetings.*
3. *The SLUPB will hold Working Group meetings as needed, in person or via teleconference to advance key planning issues and identify solutions for consideration in future Plan amendments.*
4. *The Working Group members will collaboratively set priorities, develop annual workplans, and identify sources of funding as needed to advance this work."*



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## SAHTÚ LAND USE PLANNING BOARD (SLUPB) PROGRESS REPORT:

In the Plan Development stage of the SLUP, there was interest in forming a formal Working Group led by the SLUPB. The original intent of the Working Group was to allow for better communication and coordination between communities and organizations involved in land use in the region, improve relationships, gain access to relevant information, and provide for adaptive learning and management within the Sahtú Settlement Area. There was one attempt by the SLUPB to establish this formal Working Group in 2017 with little response. Because of this and limited funding, no further action was taken. Since then, the SLUPB has adopted a more informal approach to working with the Approving Parties, Designated Sahtú Organizations, and other Planning Partners based on the issues currently facing the SLUPB.

Moving forward, the SLUPB's plans to develop a more targeted and strategic approach for the Working Group. Working in close collaboration with its Planning Partners, it may convene targeted Working Groups to resolve specific issues. While it has not formed a Working Group during



the 2021/22 reporting period due to other activities, such as finalizing Amendments to the Plan and assisting Approving Parties with their approvals, discussion will be required with Planning Partners in the following years to inform the next 5-Year Review Amendments to the Plan. These can be for discussions around emerging topics of concern, such as how the SLUP will deal with climate change, which was repeatedly mentioned in community engagement sessions as a concern to residents of the Sahtú Settlement Area. This topic, along with those identified through Plan development prior to 2013, will be reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Board. These will be addressed in future years based on the current priorities of the SLUPB, Approving Parties, Designated Sahtú Organizations, and Planning Partners. The SLUPB will continue to monitor and solicit input from these organizations and the broader community to be current on emerging topics, and how these can be addressed by a Working Group and the Plan.



## ACTION #2:

# Inspection and Enforcement Priorities

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**Responsibility:** Government departments and other agencies

SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

*"All government departments and agencies and other bodies having monitoring and enforcement responsibilities will make reasonable efforts to consider the zone designation in setting their inspection and enforcement priorities, recognizing that Conservation Zones, Proposed Conservation Initiatives and Special Management Zones have been identified as sensitive areas requiring a higher level of care."*

### CANADA ENERGY REGULATOR (CER) PROGRESS REPORT:

The CER has not received any applications or conducted any enforcement activities that are captured under the Sahtú Land Use Plan in the 2021-22 fiscal year. All of the activities conducted in the Sahtú region were in relation to the Imperial Oil Norman Wells Operations which are exempt from the Sahtú Land Use Plan.



## ACTION #3:

# Access to Wildlife Information

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**Responsibility: Wildlife managers**

SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

*"Wildlife managers (ENR, CWS, PCA, SRRB and DFO) will make reasonable efforts to share, as circumstances require, current available data on important and critical wildlife habitat for fish, furbearers, waterfowl, raptors, barren-ground caribou, mountain and boreal woodland caribou, moose, muskox, mountain goats, Dall's sheep, grizzly bears and black bears. Data will be provided subject to laws of general application regarding privacy and access to information."*

DFO (CANADA) PROGRESS REPORT:

DFO Science has been working on projects on Great Bear Lake with Déline community members, the SRRB and Cumulative Impact Monitoring Program. The projects involve the collection of information on: fish and fish habitat at depth; water quality information; and information on organisms at lower trophic levels that could be food for fish. This information has been shared with communities and the Sahtú Renewable Resource Board (SRRB) through plain language documents, community meetings and other online resources.



## ACTION #4:

# Water Withdrawals

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**Responsibility: DFO, GNWT-ENR, SLWB**

### SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

*"DFO, GNWT-ENR, and the SLWB will make reasonable efforts to work with communities as requested to discuss community concerns related to water withdrawal, DFO's winter water withdrawal protocol, and alternative solutions to water withdrawal related to specific projects."*

### SAHTÚ LAND & WATER BOARD PROGRESS REPORT:

CR # 5 - Watershed Management - MGM applied to withdraw water from previously permitted water sources, one of which is Lac Belot which is a CZ in the SLUP with water withdrawal restrictions. Although CR#19 is not directly applicable to Projects in GUZ, Board supported a recommendation that water withdrawal from Lac Belot be prohibited, unless absolutely necessary.

### DFO (CANADA) PROGRESS REPORT:

DFO's winter water withdrawal protocol is in effect but does not require an applicant to submit a request for authorization for water withdrawals within the protocol.

### GNWT-ENR PROGRESS REPORT:

No progress report provided.



## RECOMMENDATION #1:

# Air Quality

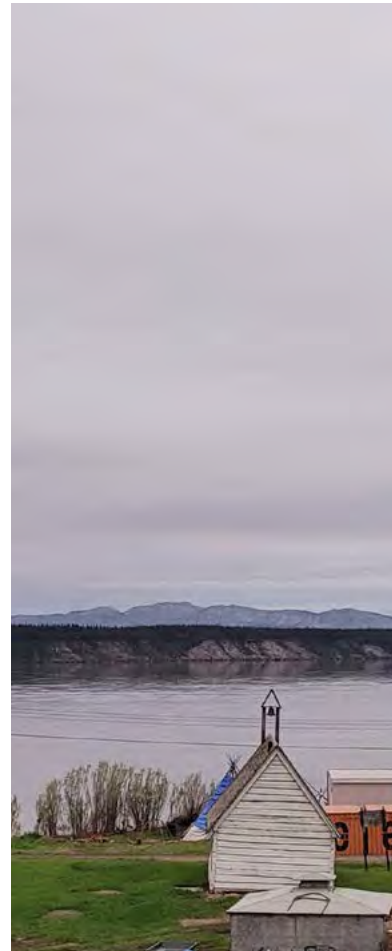
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**Responsibility: ENR**

SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

1. *"ENR is encouraged to provide interested parties with a paper copy of the Annual Air Quality Report, and direct them to ENR's Air Quality Programs Coordinator as necessary.*
2. *ENR is encouraged to continue to study the feasibility and advisability of expanding the air quality monitoring network in the NWT. This will be based primarily on industrial development, population growth, and available resources.*
3. *ENR is encouraged to continue to develop air quality related regulations, guidelines and/or standards, as appropriate, for application within territorial jurisdiction through the NWT Environmental Protection Act.*
4. *Regulators are encouraged to recommend to those applying for permits, licences or other authorizations that they conduct all activities in the SSA in conformity with the standards set out in the GNWT's Guidelines for Ambient Air Quality Standards, and other applicable federal or territorial regulations, guidelines or standards as they are developed."*

No progress was reported on this recommendation in the 2021/22 fiscal year.



## RECOMMENDATION #2:

# Climate Change

**Responsibility: Applicants and regulators**

SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

*"Applicants and regulators are encouraged to integrate an analysis of the effects of climate change into proposed land use activities, including structures and operations. These effects should be accommodated in the design, operation, and closure and reclamation of the proposed activities. Throughout the planning, development, and management phases, applicants and regulators are also encouraged to assess, report, and monitor how proposed activities contribute to climate change and take steps to minimize such effects."*

SAHTÚ LAND & WATER BOARD PROGRESS REPORT:

When oil and gas exploration was being conducted in the Colville Lake area in 2001 to 2003, it was common practice to dispose of drill waste into sumps on the land with the intended result that the materials would be permanently encased in the permafrost. However, as the years have progressed, the Board has seen more evidence that the use of remote sumps in permafrost terrain is not achievable for the majority of cases. This problem will continue as climate change increases the melting of permafrost and recolonization of disturbed areas by different species. The Board included conditions in the Licence S19L1-003 that requires MGM to undertake a risk assessment of three oil and gas sumps (P-27, C49-M17, K14) that have demonstrated ongoing instability and exceedances of contaminants within the permafrost despite 8 years of active remediation efforts; and a condition in the Permit S19A-004 that requires MGM is to develop a Sump Remediation and Restoration



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Plan in consultation with all potentially affected parties, especially in Colville Lake. The Board expressed their preference that MGM remove and dispose of all contaminated sump materials off-site to reduce the long-term liability of contaminant migration to the surrounding environment.

#### DFO (CANADA) PROGRESS REPORT:

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) conducts aquatic climate change science. This ongoing research and monitoring, together with Indigenous knowledge, builds an understanding of the impacts of climate change. Further information on DFO aquatic climate change science is available at this link: Aquatic climate change science (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/science/oceanography-oceanographie/accasp-psaccma/index-eng.html>). DFO's Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy Report summarizes DFO's progress and actions towards the Federal Sustainable Development Strategy goals of greening government; effective action on climate change; healthy coasts and oceans; pristine lakes and rivers; healthy wildlife populations; sustainable food; and safe and healthy communities. The most recent DFO report (2020-21) is at this link: Fisheries and Oceans Canada's 2020-21 Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy Report (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sds-sdd/2020-2021/index-eng.html>)

#### TRANSPORT CANADA PROGRESS REPORT:

No applications for Canadian Navigable Water Act approvals were submitted in the Sahtú Settlement Area during the 2021/22 Fiscal Year. As such, no work was done for this recommendation.



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#### GNWT LANDS SURFACE TENURE PROGRESS REPORT:

Not applicable, as we have only processed one application for a surface lease (disposition).

#### CANADIAN NUCLEAR SAFETY COMMISSION PROGRESS REPORT:

There have been no changes to the CNSC's Waste Nuclear Substance Licence for Port Radium Decommissioned Mine in 2021. In addition there have been no new licence applications to the CNSC within the Sahtú region.

#### GNWT-ECE PROGRESS REPORT:

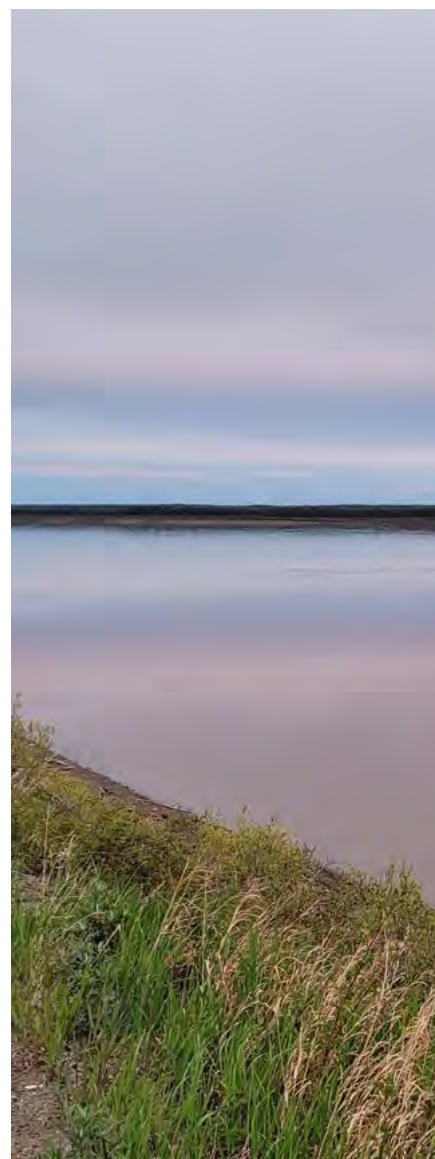
Nothing to report.

#### MINING RECORDERS OFFICE PROGRESS REPORT:

The Mining Recorder's Office does not regulate land use activities or improvements on the land. The MRO issues subsurface mineral tenure only and does not have further requirements for management of the land or proposed activities on the land. Any reporting requirements are based on exploration work, but do not relate directly to land use activities that are legislated by other bodies.

#### ITI TOURISM (GNWT) PROGRESS REPORT:

Recommending different funding sources to address issues of climate change that affect tourism businesses.



## RECOMMENDATION #3:

# Community Land Use Monitors

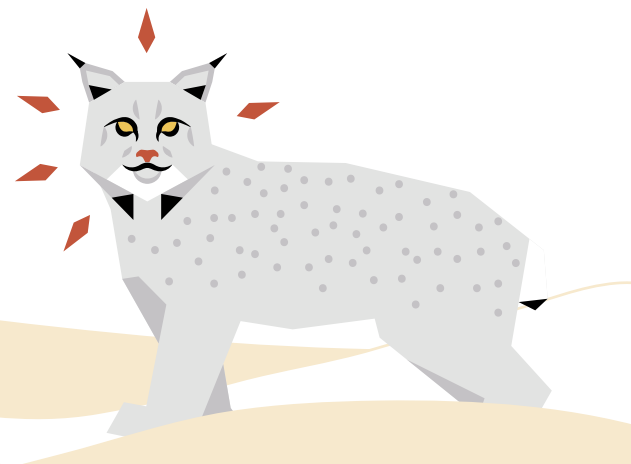
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### **Responsibility: Applicants**

#### SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:

*"Where deemed necessary by the community, Applicants are encouraged to fund the local Renewable Resources Council (RRC) to hire an independent, qualified community land use monitor, and support the monitor. In the case of small-scale activities where little to no environmental impact is expected, applicants are encouraged to employ a community research assistant instead."*

The SLUPB had scheduled talks with the communities to understand how this recommendation is being implemented. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns, the Sahtú community tour was cancelled and postponed to a later date. The SLUPB hopes to have more information in the following reporting period regarding how this recommendation is being implemented after talking with community organizations throughout the Sahtú Settlement Area.



## RECOMMENDATION #4: Incidental Harvest

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### ***Responsibility: Applicants***

#### *SAHTU LAND USE PLAN - EXCERPT:*

*"Applicants are encouraged to avoid waste of usable resources and share any incidental harvest with nearby communities."*

The SLUPB had scheduled talks with the communities to understand how this recommendation is being implemented. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns, the Sahtú community tour was cancelled and postponed to a later date. The SLUPB hopes to have more information in the following reporting period regarding how this recommendation is being implemented after talking with community organizations throughout the Sahtú Settlement Area.



## NEXT STEPS

While this is the second year that the Sahtú Land Use Planning Board (“SLUPB”) has required Regulators to report on the received applications for authorizations/dispositions that implement the Plan, it is the first year that they reported on how these applications for authorizations or dispositions addressed the Plan’s Conformity Requirements. The intent of this exercise is to understand how Regulators are implementing the Plan, and to identify any problems with interpretation of the Plan’s Conformity Requirements. In cases that there are problems with interpretation, the SLUPB will work with Regulators to address these problems by understanding gaps in knowledge and understanding, provide information to help with interpretation, and see whether there is any need to clarify any part of the Plan through the next 5-Year Review. Furthermore, we also expect to streamline the reporting tools and processes over time through feedback from Regulators and lessons learned in collecting and managing the information received from Regulators.

The SLUPB also hopes to work with the District Land Corporations/Self-Governments to better understand the process of how they deal with authorizations on private settlement lands in areas where the Plan applies (e.g. lands outside community boundaries). While settlement lands are private, the Plan also applies to them and consideration for its Conformity Requirements is warranted. Even though the SLUPB anticipates that there have not been many land use applications on private lands outside communities in the past few years (if any at all), awareness of the Plan needs to be addressed. The SLUPB’s staff will be starting these discussions with the above-mentioned entities in the coming years, at times when it will be possible to meet in-person. This will be coordinated with other activities planned by the SLUPB in communities of the Sahtú Settlement Area.



While our initial work has focused on Stream 1 monitoring, work on Stream 2 monitoring will also commence in the coming years. This includes a review of the outcomes of implementation of the Plan, and considerations to what degree the Plan has helped advance its vision and goals for the region. Our staff will continue to compile and publish monitoring results each year, giving insight that will help us lead discussions for the next 5-Year Review of the Plan. Such discussions will revolve around evaluating decision-making process to see how the Plan is being applied, identify where adjustments, clarification, or changes to the Plan are needed to better meet its goals of protecting and promoting the social, cultural, and economic well-being of the people and communities in the Sahtú Settlement Area.





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