



# Association of Mackenzie Mountains Outfitters

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June 19, 2009

Judith Wright-Bird  
Chairperson  
Sahtu Land Use Planning Board  
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Dear Ms Wright-Bird,

I would like to thank you and the other members of the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board for including the outfitters of the Mackenzie Mountains in the consultation process for the Sahtu Land Use Plan. I was able to attend and participate in the meetings in Norman Wells on June 17, 2009 as a representative for the Association Of Mackenzie Mountains Outfitters. The meeting was very informative and the discussions very productive.

Our association would like to submit the following points for consideration in the writing of the third draft of the land use plan:

- We would like to see it clearly stated in the land use plan that big game outfitting is a renewable resource of major economic importance to the region and is as such to be allowed in all zones as per current legislation.
- We would like to see the problem of access management addressed in the third draft, especially as it applied to ATV access along the Canol Trail and throughout the mountain regions.
- We feel it is important to ban the use of domestic sheep, goats, lamas and alpacas as pack animals, and to ban the importation of them for any reason, because of the danger of disease transmission to wild sheep and goats.

I would also like to commend the board and staff for the very thorough and professional manner in which they are proceeding with the development of the Sahtu Land Use Plan.

Sincerely,

Harold Grinde  
President, AMMO  
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