

Subject: EC input prior to second technical workshop
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Hi there-

1. I have a partial response to EC's 'homework' item from the last meeting (Vicky will look into whether regulators coordinate in the absence of SLWB's involvement)

EC's migratory bird (science) permits are always paired with ENR Wildlife Research permits.

EC (rarely) issues other types of migratory bird permits in the NWT- for taxidermy, education, airport kills. These are not paired with any other permits (but note too that they are issued very rarely in the NWT).

In the future, EC may issue Wildlife Area permits for non-beneficiaries wishing to conduct activities in National Wildlife Areas in the Sahtu. To date, we do not have a precedent for these issuance of these permits in NWT. In Nunavut, these permits are routinely sent to the Nunavut Impact Review Board; however, they operate in a different manner from the LWBs in NWT. I will discuss these particular permits with my colleague Paul Latour and may be able to provide further information at next weeks' workshop.

2. RE: permits to which the conformity determination process would not apply:

Upon reflection, EC proposed to exempt one of its permit types from conformity determination. This is the Migratory Bird permit that is issued for non-beneficiary individuals to harvest migratory game birds.

These permits are essentially a licence for individuals to harvest migratory game birds in accordance with the hunting seasons, bag limits, and other 'rules of the harvest' that are determined annually. Very few of these permits are issued in the Sahtu- 4 were issued in 2009, and 5 in 2010.

EC agrees that, if desired, all other permits that it issues could be subject to the conformity determination process.

3. I'm hoping that at the workshop there will be an opportunity to discuss Recommendation # 10- Non-renewable Resource Assessments. This recommendation does not seem logical or balanced to me.

Thanks

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