



Sahtu Secretariat Incorporated  
P.O. Box 155  
Deline, NT X0E 0G0

and

Sahtu Land Use Planning Board  
P.O. Box 235  
Fort Good Hope, NT  
X0E 0H0

January 27, 2017

### **Re. 2017 Sahtu Land Use Plan Proposed Amendment**

The Nááts'ihch'oh Park Reserve Management Committee made a submission to the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board in 2016 in regards to the amendment to the Sahtu Land Use Plan (SLUP). With the January 2017 proposed amendment, we would like to once again share our views for the lands around the Park, and to do so we are addressing our letter to both the SLUP Board and SSI - one of the key decision makers on the approval of the Plan. The Committee feels the need to comment as the zoning could lead to a significant impact on the park, watershed and wildlife.

As stated in our 2016 submission to the SLUP Board, the Committee, in particular, the Sahtu appointees to the Committee, envision a future where the entire Nááts'ihch'oh watershed is protected, in addition to protecting important areas for caribou. This vision cannot be achieved if the areas outside of the park boundary in the former land withdrawal area are not zoned as conservation zones.

We understand the SSI has recently purchased Ramhead Outfitters, which will be operating as Canol Outfitters. We want to ensure that any proposed zoning will not affect the operations of Canol Outfitters outside the Park. We understand that the SLUP does not apply to hunting. However, that conservation zones could affect future requests for a lease or land use permit (e.g., building, landing strip).

While in an ideal world, everything adjacent to the Park would be in a conservation zone, we realise this may not be supported by all parties. At a minimum, we would



strongly like the upper headwaters for the South Nahanni River, the area noted as Zone 41c, for a conservation zone to ensure protection of the South Nahanni River.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Paul Andrew". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Paul Andrew

Chair, Nááts'ihch'oh National Park Reserve Management Committee

Correspondence c/o

PO Box 157

Tulita NT

X0E 0K0

Janet.Bayha@pc.gc.ca

Cc: Parks Canada  
Sahtu Renewable Resources Board  
Tulita Land Corporation  
Fort Norman Metis Land Corporation  
Norman Wells Land Corporation  
Tulita Renewable Resources Council  
Norman Wells Renewable Resources Council  
Sahtu Land Use Planning Board