

100
100
100
100

Agency

Systems are added to the system:

... ..

... ..

... ..

... ..

... ..

Follow

... ..
... ..
... ..
... ..

Falling through the day will be ...
year.

Interest in developing such a program for ...
park was also expressed. Hopefully it can be ...
for next year when seasonal staff are available to ...
assist.

ACTION: Bill Smith will explore ...
planning a career shift in the near future ...
1992.

- b) Tourism Guidelines - Letters have been forwarded to the Environmental Impact Screening Committee to the departments of Justice and Tourism regarding the need to develop regulations to control tourism development. This will be tracked for the next meeting.

A meeting between Aklavik representatives and Dave Mossop to develop wildlife-related tourism guidelines will be scheduled for the early fall.

Don Russell reported that the PCMB was starting to develop tourism guidelines in relation to the Porcupine caribou herd. Some cooperation between the two groups would be useful.

ACTION: A letter will be sent to the Department of Justice and Tourism to see what their response is to the request for tourism regulations. Hugh Houghan and Skeeter Vork Wright will follow-up internally. The issue will be reviewed at the next meeting of the Committee.

ACTION: Dave Mossop will meet with Aklavik representatives to discuss wildlife-related tourism guidelines in advance of the next meeting.

- c) Wildlife Research 1991 - ... that were reallocated in April. Hugh Houghan will report to the Council the status of these projects. A question was raised as to whether any funds from the 1991 budget approved supplemental money could be applied to the 1991 projects.

d) Legislative Overhaul

Brief summary presented ... need for a new legislative framework to be updated to ... Inuvialuit Final Agreement. The process has been underway in the NWT for several years but is not yet completed due to the complexities involved.

Hugh Monaghan reported that the Department of Renewable Resources was updating the Yukon Wildlife Act. During the exercise, the department was trying to address the question of how the Act could be modified to reflect the provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement. In the Yukon, this is also complicated by the need to accommodate Yukon Indian land claim settlements. At present, the department is focussing on the 'housekeeping' changes needed to update the Act and will defer the amendments that need to be made in relation to land claim settlements until a later time. Concern was raised as to whether this approach was going to be acceptable to the Inuvialuit.

A suggestion was put forward to form a 'study team' formed of Inuvialuit and government representatives to consider how land claim agreements can be incorporated into Yukon legislation. The group would include Aklavik HTC, the IS, the Joint Secretariat, Yukon Renewable Resources, Yukon Land Claims Secretariat and Yukon Justice.

ACTION: Lindsay Staples and Hugh Monaghan will organize a meeting to review how the wildlife-related provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement can be effectively incorporated into Yukon legislation.

5. North Yukon National Park

- a) Planning - Public participation tour occurred in the spring. Attendance varied, but overall the response was viewed positively. A newsletter outlining the results of the review will be released in a few weeks. Aklavik trainee will be hired within a few weeks to assist the planning team. Draft management plan to be ready by December, 1991. Another round of public consultation will begin next spring.
- b) Staff and Activities - Seasonal staff are continuing to get their academic/technical training in the winter months. Permanent staff are now all in place.

Stokes Point has been satisfactorily cleaned up by BeauDrill. The DND contracted firms continue to work at Stokes Point building the short range radar site. PCBs were identified at Stokes Point - the building housing the PCBs has been de-contaminated and destroyed. Components (approximately 3-5 barrels) that are still de-contaminated will be removed next summer and stored at the DND long term storage site.

Rafting on the Firth continues to be popular and the number of trips was down somewhat over others. Some commercial hiking in the corridor also occurred this summer. With regards to licensing - the

Service is working on a year to year basis. This is not popular with many of the commercial operators as they need some certainty of continued access to the Firth River and other commercial activities.

7. Guidebook to Scientific Research in the Yukon

A draft report prepared by the Yukon Heritage Branch outlining the process for obtaining a scientific research permit in the Yukon was distributed.

ACTION: Comments on the guidebook to research permits in the Yukon will be to the Secretariat by the end of August, 1991.

8. Herschel Island Caisson

Frank Elanik raised concern about the caisson that is still in the Herschel Island Basin. He has tried to find who is responsible for the caisson, but, to date has not find who is responsible.

ACTION: A letter will be sent to INAC and COGLA (Bill Stephens and Moe Thomas) to see if they can determine who is responsible for the Herschel Island caisson. The letter will be cc'd to Frank Elanik.

9. EISC Operating Guidelines and Procedures

The draft operating guidelines and procedures were distributed for comment and review.

ACTION: Comments on the EISC operating procedures should be given to the Secretariat by August 31, 1991.

10. EIRB Operating Procedures

The EIRB is beginning to update their operating procedures given the past two years experience. At present, the review will be conducted 'in-house'. As a past intervenor in EIRB hearings, the WMAC(NS) felt that they should be given the opportunity to comment on the draft procedures.

ACTION: A letter will be forwarded to the EIRB requesting the opportunity to review their operating procedures.

11. Contribution Agreement 1991-1994

The Council reviewed the draft contribution agreement prepared by the Yukon Government. It was agreed to accept the agreement as drafted.

ACTION: A resolution will be drafted authorizing the WMAC(NS)'s acceptance of the 1991-1994 contribution agreement.

Moved by: Don Russell
Seconded by: Hugh Monaghan

12. North Slope Conference

The conference should be used to discuss how the goals and principles stated in the conservation and management plan can be realized. Participants should be broadened to include select non-government organizations as well as government departments, with key individuals in attendance.

ACTION: A letter will be forwarded to the IGC and to the Minister of Renewable Resources outlining the recommended scope and nature of the North Slope Conference.

ACTION: Letters will be sent to the chairs of the other renewable resource councils outlining the recommendations of the WMAC(NS) regarding the North Slope Conference.

13. Conservation and Management Plan

The status of the first consultation on the draft plan was briefly reviewed noting that comments had been received from the Government of Canada, the Government of the Yukon and the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee. The plan was distributed to the Inuvialuit Game Council, however, to date no comments have been received.

The next steps in developing the plan are:

August-September: re-draft of the plan,
September-October: second consultation phase;
November: final Council review and redrafting;
December: final draft of the plan complete.

ACTION: Laurie Henderson will continue working on the conservation and management plan, with a second re-draft targetted for completion mid-September.

ACTION: Any additional personnel requirements for the conservation and management plan will be reviewed at the next meeting.

14. Wildlife Research

Hugh Monaghan reviewed the wildlife research proposals submitted by the Yukon Department of Renewable Resources. Proposals submitted by the Canadian Parks Service were presented by Bill Smith.

Research priorities were as follows:

- i) habitat studies (YTG Renewable Resources);
- ii) Porcupine caribou (YTG & CWS);
- iii) hunting regulations in the Northern Yukon National Park (CPS);
- iv) grizzlies in Firth River Corridor (CPS); *inappropriate under Fund outside*
- v) dall sheep in NYNP (CPS); *- off the table*
- vi) wolf monitoring surveys (YTG);
- vii) moose inventory surveys (YTG);
- viii) arctic char cooperative study (CPS); *v. little imp tee*
- ix) community participation (YTG); and *EDA could be*
- x) wildlife viewing (YTG).

These priorities will be presented at the joint co-management meeting and subsequently at the IGC meeting.

15. George River Herd

The Council reviewed the request received from the Porcupine Caribou Management Board to send a letter of support for establishing a co-management board to manage the George River caribou herd.

ACTION: A letter will be sent in support of establishing a co-management board for the George River Caribou Herd.

16. Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

The status of the oil and gas development proposals for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge was reviewed. The Council reaffirmed its financial commitment to lobbying against oil and gas development in the Refuge and discussed its options for advocacy.

ACTION: Don Russell will check with Doug Urquhart of the PCMB to see what he recommends regarding lobbying on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge issue.

ACTION: Lindsay Staples will check with Bob Childers of Alaska to see what he recommends regarding lobbying on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge issue.

17. Bowhead Hunt

Frank Elanik and Sadie Whitbread informed the Council that the community of Aklavik had obtained a permit to harvest a bowhead whale. Equipment for the hunt has begun to arrive and the hunt will occur in the fall. When the site is prepared and all arrangements are finalized, Fisheries and Oceans will issue the final hunting permit.

ACTION: Frank Elanik was asked to update the Council on the bowhead whale hunt at a future meeting.

18. Council Workplan

The Council agreed that it would like a workplan developed for the balance of 1991-1992 to guide it in its activities.

ACTION: A workplan for the balance of the year will be drafted for the next meeting.

19. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be scheduled to coincide with the North Slope Conference (October 22-24, 1991).