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Dear AlecSandra,

Re: G15L8-001 and 002 - Request for Comments LAMP 2.0 Proposal- May01_17

We have reviewed the above-noted document and have the following concerns. As we have noted in previous reviews, the ferry landings are all located within important traditional fishing and camping areas. Numerous traditional Gwich'in place names attest to the long history of use and cultural importance of these areas. Additionally, the ferry landings themselves have created sandbars and eddies as noted by Gwich'in harvesters. We have the following concerns with the application:

- The new application indicates that a fish biologist will be in charge of data-gathering for the community fish survey, an anthropological undertaking. A social scientist with experience in gathering bio-physical traditional knowledge should instead lead this portion.
- The fish survey now includes a single include open-ended question about changes to fish health, river health, etc. A single open-ended question will not elicit meaningful data. When a social scientist reviews the data-gathering template, they will modify the wording and questions to include several open-ended questions.

Gwich'inat Eenjit
Gàdatr'igwijiłcheii Gidilii
Gwich'in nan, nakhwek'yüu ts'at gwitr'it
tthak nakhwidavee gwiheezàa eenjit



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As with any application, if archaeological or heritage materials are encountered during the development within the Gwich'in Settlement Area, all work must cease immediately as required by law, and the DCH and the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre in Yellowknife must then be contacted.

Sincerely,

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