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BULLMOOSE-RUTH (BMR) REMEDIATION PROJECT

WINTER ROAD USER GROUP MEETING

Northern Frontier Visitor's Centre, Yellowknife, NT

July 19, 2016

ATTENDEES: Ron Breadmore – INAC-Contaminants and Remediation Division
Jessie Hoyt – Public Services and Procurement Canada
Jessica Wilson – INAC- Contaminants and Remediation Division
Tawanis Testart – INAC- Contaminants and Remediation Division
Mischelle Remigio – INAC- Contaminants and Remediation Division

Ken Yoder – Hearn Lake Lodge Owner
Brian Sundberg – Campbell Lake Cabin Owner
Herb Hunt – Reid Lake Cabin Owner
Sue Bevington – Reid Lake Cabin Owner
Ron Gibeault – Joon Mine Mineral Lease Holder
Gord Gibeault – Joon Mine Mineral Lease Holder
Brent Gibeault – Joon Mine Mineral Lease Holder
John Poulter – Reid Lake Cabin Owner
Bryan Chorostkowski – Namushka Lodge Owner

Introductions and Agenda Overview

PowerPoint Presentation (INAC and PSPC)

Break

Question and Answers:

Q1. Did the cabins burn down at Joon?

A1. Not that we're aware - fires are currently approx. 30km to NW & S (as per NRCan and ENR fire maps)

Q2. Who has the properties near Joon?

A2. Bob Carol has property on north side of Strike Lake where INAC maps are showing the Joon site; the Gibeaults have property SE of the lake

Q3. When was the last use of the winter road?

A3. Our records indicate 1988-1989



Q4. Who is going to control the squatters on the winter road?

A4. This is a GNWT Lands issue

Q5. Will the winter road be a public road?

A5. The road will be built and operated by the Remediation Contractor; 3rd party access can be arranged for lodge owners

Q6. Can you gate the winter road? What about increased hunting and fishing and our traplines?

A6. While we can't gate our winter roads, we can limit access by placing snow berms across the trail head at end of the winter road season. Hunting, fishing and trapping activity will be monitored by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and GNWT Environment and Natural Resources – Wildlife through winter road patrols. Private property issues can be pursued with the RCMP, who will also have access to winter road

Q7. Will lodge traffic be allowed on winter road?

A7. Winter road access will need to be coordinated with the Remediation Contractor but should not prevent lodge owners from accessing their lodges. There may be opportunities for lodge owners to bring supplies into the lodges

Q8. What is the plan to work with snowmobilers?

A8. Trail crossings will be communicated to the Remediation Contractor and marked along winter road. The GSSA has been engaged by INAC

Q9. Once the road is in, what kinds of traffic will there be? What about fuel and wastes? What happens if a vehicle goes through the ice?

A9. There will be heavy truck traffic that bring in equipment, fuel and supplies to the sites and backhaul wastes to facilities in south. There will be tight controls in place to ensure public safety and environment are protected: winter road construction by qualified contractor and in accordance with GNWT-DOT guidelines ("Winter Road Construction Guidelines-2015"; licensed fuel and waste haulers in accordance with Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Inter-Provincial Movement of Hazardous Wastes legislation



Q10. Are there restrictions for lodge owners on the winter road?

A10. The Remediation Contractor will administer winter road rules to ensure the safety of all users.

Q11. Would we ask permission from the Federal Government or the Contractors for access on the winter road?

A11. The point of contact will be INAC who holds the Land Use Permit.

Q12. When the contract ends, will the land be handed back over to the GNWT?

A12. When the remediation work is finished, there will be monitoring phase to ensure all the work was done properly. When the GNWT is satisfied with the monitoring results, the sites will be transferred to the GNWT

Q13. How are samples taken during the monitoring period?

A13. Environmental consultants will go onto the field and take samples by hand. There is also recent technology such as drones that allow aerial site photos to be taken that can help assess surface conditions such as re-vegetation success or erosion issues

Q14. Are there other areas in the area in need of remediation?

A14. Yes, the Gordon Lake Remediation Project is undergoing the same process as the BMR sites

Q15. Will there be action if snowmobilers become a problem on the winter road?

A15. The Remediation Contractor will notify INAC of any concerns and corrective actions will be taken as required

Q.16 How much equipment is going in on the winter road?

A16. The size of the equipment will be based on the ice thickness. The amount of equipment will be set by the Remediation Contractor who knows how much equipment they need to carry out the remediation work. Depending on ice thickness, the Contractor may need to break their loads down

Q.17 Has anybody measured ice at Reid Lake, Harding Lake, Hearne and Campbell recently?

A.17 It is possible that GSSA might have some of that information from their trails



Q.18 Water levels in the lakes have been going down recently. Has this been considered?

A18. The risk has been flagged for the Remediation Contractor who will be conducting a winter road track survey this fall to determine water levels and other areas of concern prior to building the road

Q.19. Will we be kept in the loop throughout the project?

A19. Yes, the Winter Road User Group will be kept in the loop via e-mails, meetings and winter road bulletins

Q20. Will there be communication with the contractors?

A20. There will be some possibility of the Remediation Contractor workers staying at the lodges or lodge owners making arrangements with the Contractor for movement of supplies; communication regarding winter road access will be through the Federal government (Ron and Jessie)