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Ryan Fequet
Executive Director
Wek'eezhii Land and Water Board
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Re: Information Request for Nighthawk's Water Use Plan Version 2.0 –Water Sources that Span Federal and Non-Federal Lands

Dear Mr. Fequet:

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) agrees with the GNWT- ENR's public review statement

“water sources that span federal and territorial land should be licenced and inspected under both the federal and territorial water licences”.

The volumes of water withdrawn from these water sources should be reported under both the federal and territorial water licences annual reports as to avoid the daily total of water withdrawal from exceeding 299.9 m³.

CIRNAC also recommends that approval from both the Federal and Territorial Inspectors be required when dealing with waterbodies that span both federal and territorial jurisdictions. This approval by both agencies will ensure that all considerations are being evaluated prior to the establishment of any new water intakes on waterbodies that span both jurisdictions.

To ensure both timely and efficient correspondence, the Board and the Territorial Inspectors will be included in all authorizations by the Federal Inspectors under Part D, Condition 4 of the water licence W2018L2-0002.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at (867) 669-2442 or by email at tim.morton@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

Tim Morton
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