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Mr. Michael Conway
Regional Superintendent
Department of Infrastructure
Government of the Northwest Territories
P.O. Box 1320
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Conway,

Information Request – Tlicho All-Season Road Project - Water Sources

On February 21, 2019 the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board (WLWB or the Board) received comments and recommendations on the Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Infrastructure (GNWT-INF) Land Use Permit (W2016E0004) and Water Licence (W2016L8-0001) Applications through the WLWB's Online Review System. The GNWT-INF provided responses on March 14, 2019. Based on the GNWT-INF's Application Package and the public review, Board staff have follow-up questions regarding water sources for the Tlicho All-Season Road Project.

The GNWT-INF provided a list of potential water sources in the Water Monitoring Plan and Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Plan (FFHPP) as part of its Application Package. The sources listed in Appendix D of the Water Monitoring Plan and Appendix B of the FFHPP did not include the available capacity of each respective waterbody. As outlined in the *Guide to Completing Water Licence Applications to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board* (MVLWB) and the MVLWB's *Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process*, the water volume to be used and the water sources, including their available capacity, are required.^{1,2}

¹ See WLWB (www.wlwb.ca) 'Policies and Guidelines' webpage for the MVLWB's [Guide to Completing Water Licence Applications](#)

² See WLWB (www.wlwb.ca) 'Policies and Guidelines' webpage for the MVLWB's [Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process](#)

The GNWT-INF is requested to submit the following information:

- a. a finalized list of water sources, including name and location of the water bodies, and the available capacity of each proposed water source;
- b. anticipated daily withdrawal volumes and duration of use, including a comparison of the total water volume requested for use against the total water volume available;
- c. any available bathymetric information, including maximum depths; and
- d. any available information on other water uses from the source(s).

Please submit all relevant information for the Board's consideration on or before April 4, 2019.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Information Request, please feel free to contact Ryan Fequet at rfequet@wlwb.com or 867-765-4589.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Ryan Fequet', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ryan Fequet
Executive Director, Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board

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