

Action Plan for 2019/2020

BLUENOSE-WEST CARIBOU - ORANGE STATUS -



Tuktuvialuk (Inuvialuktun, Siglitun dialect)
Vadzaih (Teetł'it and Gwichya Gwich'in)
Peda (K'áhsho Got'ine, Dela Got'ine)
Pehdaila Gozekwé (Déline Got'ine)

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About the ACCWM

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About Taking Care of Caribou and the associated Action Plans

In late 2014 and early 2015, members of the ACCWM approved *Taking Care of Caribou: the Bluenose West, Bluenose-West, and Bluenose-East barren-ground caribou herds management plan*. The Plan was developed in consultation with 17 communities that harvest from the three herds. The intent is for the Plan to address caribou management and stewardship over the long term. It was presented to the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources (Government of the Northwest Territories), the Minister of Environment (Government of Nunavut), and the Environment Minister (Government of Canada) in 2014. The Management Plan is supported by two companion documents: a report summarizing recent scientific information about the herds, and a report that provides a summary of the information that was shared during community meetings to develop the Plan. Individual Action Plans were then developed for each of the three herds. These Action Plans provide details on the types of actions that are recommended based on a herd's status, as well as who is responsible for the actions, and when they should be done.

Disclaimer:

The ACCWM recognizes that the implementation of management actions moving forward is subject to appropriations, prioritizations, and budgetary restraints of the participating agencies and organizations.

ACCWM and the Taking Care of Caribou Management Plan

The Advisory Committee for Cooperation on Wildlife Management (ACCWM) was established in 2008, to exchange information, help develop cooperation and consensus and make recommendations regarding wildlife and wildlife habitat issues that cross land claim and treaty boundaries. In 2014 the ACCWM recommended the Taking Care of Caribou management plan to the governments with management jurisdictions of these three herds. That plan can be found here: link

How a Herd's Status and Appropriate Management Actions are Determined

The ACCWM is responsible for determining herd status each year and developing appropriate management actions based on that status. Each fall, the member boards meet for the Annual Status Meeting (Terms of Reference [TOR] can be found here) to share information and make collaborative decisions regarding the herds, including herd status, according to the requirements of regional legislation and land claims agreements. The implementation of the Action Plans is also reviewed at this time and actions for the BNW herd can be found in Table 2.

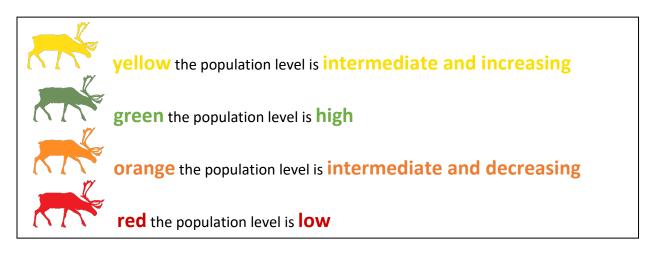


Figure 1: Phases of the population cycle with the colour-coded "traffic light" approach used in the Management Plan and associated Action Plans.

Status Decision 2018

Management actions are based on these phases of the population cycle, using approximate levels or "thresholds" as a guide. Thresholds for the herds were determined by the ACCWM based on known historic highs and lows, with input received from community and technical experts in a consensus-based process. However, it is not only the threshold value that is used to determine the colour zone – the determination of herd status takes into account all available information. The traffic light approach to understanding risk in caribou population cycles is shown in Figure 2 along with the approximate thresholds for the Bluenose-West herd.

According to the process outlined in the Management Plan, numerous criteria are used to make an annual status decision. Information considered by the ACCWM in making the 2018 decision is summarized in Table 1 below.

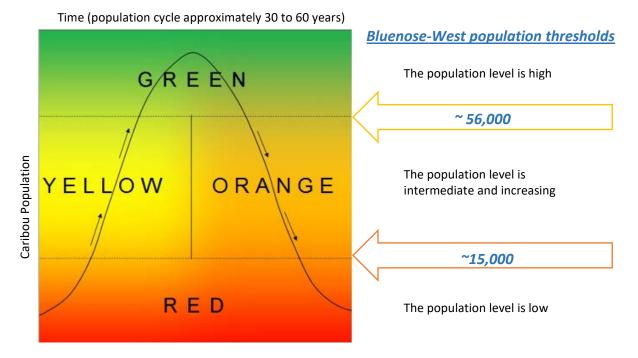


Figure 2: Phases of the population cycle with the colour-coded "traffic light" approach used in the Management Plan and associated Action Plans.

Based on the information provided, the ACCWM determined the Bluenose-West herd status colour zone to be **orange (intermediate and decreasing)** in November 2018. Community members in both the Inuvialuit and Sahtú observed more calves than in pervious years, suggesting that the population may be moving towards a yellow status but for the moment the ACCWM decided to use the precautionary principle and maintain the previous year's status designation. This decision recognizes that the herd size appears to be stable and that ongoing conservation actions are needed to help the Bluenose-West herd recover.



Table 1: Criteria used to assess Bluenose West status in 2018.¹

Criteria	2018 Community-Based Information ²	Scientific Information ³	Comments
Population size	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members noted there is caribou in their region year-round. Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): noted in the past 4 years have seen more caribou than prior to 5 years ago, and last year was more. Inuvik (WMAC) members noted it is the same as last year. Inuvik (GRRB): This is more for the biologist to say with the surveys they conducted this year. From preliminary results, it seems that the population is stable. Colville Lake (Sahtú): We have a difference of opinion on numbers, but we are working through that.	Estimated number of adult caribou at least 1.5 year old in 2018 Rivest: 21,011 ± 4,602	Estimated based on July post-calving ground survey
Population trend and rate of change	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members noted the population seems to be increasing compared to the 1990s. We have caribou year-round now. In the 1990s we had to travel across the Anderson River to get caribou, but now for the past 8 years you don't have to go that far; You still	There is no significant decrease per year between 2005 and 2018 (Confident Interval [CI] -4 to 1%).	TAH based on 4% of 2006 LP population estimate 17,781 Trend analysis is based on Rivest estimates 2015: 21,535 ± 5,136

¹ This table is populated with information presented to the ACCWM to assess herd status in 2019 and is adapted from the monitoring criteria table included in *Taking Care of Caribou*.

² Bluenose-West caribou usually migrate through two settlement areas/regions and are typically harvested by four communities: Aklavik, Inuvik, Tsiigehtchic and Tuktoyaktuk. In 2018, community-based information was documented in the following ways: 1. The Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board (GRRB) held a community meeting in Inuvik, and 2. The Wildlife Management Advisory Council (WMAC, (NWT)) held community meetings in Inuvik, Paulatuk, and Tuktoyaktuk; of these communities, Inuvik and Tuktoyaktuk are the communities that mostly encounter and harvest Bluenose-West caribou.

³ All scientific information and comments were provided by Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) (GNWT) unless otherwise noted.

	have to go further inland to get caribou but not as far as the 1990s. Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members are seeing a few more caribou and the caribou bunches/herds are getting bigger compared to last year GRRB: The population has increased in the past due to changing the survey method. This means that the TAH should increase to reflect %4 of the updated population estimate provided by ENR.		2012: 32,326 ± 15,482 2009: 21,773 ± 4,884 2006: 28,461 ± 7,431 2005: 26,228 ± 5,878
Productivity and recruitment	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members observed everything was behind schedule. We saw a lot of young ones and fresh calves; you see cows with calves just about anywhere you go. Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members observed there is a good number of calves with cows, including older calves (yearlings). Calves were seen in April this year, in the past calves weren't seen until May. The reindeer are usually calving in April, but this was caribou that we were seeing.	No new information since 2017 In 2017, there were a moderate number of cows with calves in early April Estimated number of calves per 100 cows in 2017: 32	
Adult composition	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members observed there are a lot of cows and calves were seen in the flats; saw a lot of young bulls around Falaize Lake area (beginning of September). Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members are seeing lots of lone bulls in July/August but later in August they	No new information since 2009 There is only one bull to cow ratio for Bluenose-West (2009) so trend is unknown, but the 2009 results is	The bull ratio is monitored because a bull dominated harvest was recommended.

	start mixing with the cows and calves. There are less community observations because people were not able to get out this fall due to bad weather.	considered high. Estimated number of bulls per 100 cows in 2009: 70	
Body condition and health	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members observed the caribou by the coast were very skinny in the beginning of August this year. There were some fatter ones further out, up in the hills by Billy Lake area; saw rain effects on caribou this year (the rain happened in December/January) – in March/April we saw abrasions from the ice on noses and legs (their shins); sometimes you see a caribou with its lungs stuck to the ribs. Otherwise it is healthy. Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members observed the young bulls had 1-1.5 inches of fat in March; most caribou harvested are healthy; one caribou harvested was sick with pneumonia; one caribou harvested had tapeworms (looked like white rice); some non-typical antlers seen recently – flat and twisted, really wide; The bulls in July were already fat and had big antlers and some bulls lost their velvet early this year; bulls had 2.5-3 inches of fat by end of July; and, by August they were almost obese. Colville Lake (Sahtú): A lot of the caribou do not have much fat on them, suggesting they have trouble grazing.	Condition of bulls was on average 'good' and cows were on average 'excellent' in the 2017/2018 harvest season. Average back fat in 2017/2018 season was 1.32 cm (range 0 to 2 cm) for cows and 0.54 cm (range 0 to 1 cm) for bulls.	Scientific information based on Paulatuk harvester reported samples for BNW herd. Samples size was low. Condition information was reported for 6 cows and 8 bulls and back fat information was reported for 9 cows and 6 bulls in the 2017-2018 season.
Harvest levels	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members stated there was lower harvest this summer due to the weather – we were not able to go out as much as we wanted; we try not to harvest cows at any time. We wait for the bulls in the spring. Many more	Total harvest uncertain. We do not know the bull to cow ratio of the harvest. There is	TAH tag returns in Inuvik Region 2017/2018 Inuvialuit: 345 Quota; 293

bulls are harvested than cows; one harvester has only taken bulls for 10 years. We don't harvest in October/November because of the rut (October), stink (Nov); in the past, cows were harvested but this is not our practice anymore; There is a decrease in local harvesting because of conservation efforts; despite the numbers, we have never overharvested. We are natural conservationists; we only harvest bulls 3 months out of the year; the community harvest will happen again this year for Elders and single parents and we will target bulls; if a harvester can't take a bull, they will take a dry cow.

Inuvik (GRRB): Nihtat RRC: 12/22 tag used for the Gwich'in this year. All 4 communities in the GSA asked for tags this year compare to previous year. All tags were given out, but some hunters didn't make it to the caribou because they were too late in the year. With the porcupine moving West and not coming to the Dempster highway, tags requests are increasing. The Inuvialuit gets 345 tags for the BNW. We agree with this because it is their main source of food. However, we would like more tags. The population has increased in the past due to changing the survey method. This mean that the TAH should have increased following a 4% TAH.

Colville Lake (Sahtú): The community as whole has reduced the hunt and we are trying to lower the cost of food so that people don't need to hunt as much. We believe that the caribou won't come around if we don't hunt them and don't follow the traditions of respect towards the caribou.

a target of 80% bull harvest.

harvested

Gwich'in: 22 quota; 12 harvested.

Sahtu: 350 quota; estimated less than 20 from Fort Good Hope harvested. Total harvest unknown. We don't have numbers but we do know that people are hunting less. There are a lot of other animals in the area that we are not used to seeing. People are shooting moose 2 or 3 times per month which may offset the caribou harvest. Similarly, we try to promote hunting other animals like muskox, which are growing in numbers in the region.

Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): harvesters noted that there are less people were able to get out for the fall harvest (boating season) this year because of the weather; the first harvesters out see the most during both the fall boat harvest and snow machine harvest after freeze up; it is harder to harvest by ATV because the caribou are becoming more started from the noise. Now you have to park your bike and walk about ½ kilometer to get in range; the season change for zone I/BC/06 is helping encourage bull harvest; human conservation measures have had an impact. Some people hunt without a tag or in the closed zone. Some people are wasting meat (i.e. killing caribou and only taking hind quarter and leave the rest); sale of dry meat has slowed down on social media since last year, but there is still some ongoing that is not advertised.

Fort Good Hope (Sahtú): In the past they gave tags, but they didn't use them because that wasn't their law. Word is getting around to not to bother the caribou, people are hunting other things like moose now.

Traditionally when there are lots of caribou it was okay for everyone to come but when they are low it is important that only the local

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	harvesters should have access to those animals. In the past, the high		
	level of access meant that outsiders		
	were over harvesting. It is problem		
	that we have to deal with now. It is up		
	to the traditional governments to		
	control this. We are cutting down on		
	the sale of caribou meat by providing		
	employment in the communities.		
	employment in the communities.		
	Colville Lake (Sahtú): We have asked		
	people not advertise the location of		
	caribou on the land.		
	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community	Paulatuk submitted	Changes in wolf
	members observed the wolf numbers	1 wolf in the 17/18	harvest does not
	are up. The wolves were really	season.	necessarily reflect
	healthy. Normally in the summer the		changes in wolf
	wolves don't have much fat but they	Of the wolf stomach	abundance.
	did this year; grizzly bears are up (saw	content analyzed	abulluance.
	a mother with 3 cubs again this year).	from the Inuvik	
	A grizzly bear was harvested and was	Region mainland,	
	really fat – even had stomach fat. The	68% was caribou by	
	community is maxing out their grizzly	weight (in studies	
	bear tags.; in general, there have been	during 2006-2010).	
	more eagles except this past year we		
	saw less eagles (there were less		
	salmon and bad weather). We saw no		
Predator	eagles at the fishing site; wolverine		
	numbers haven't changed – you		
populations	always see tracks.		
	Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community		
	members think there are always		
	predators around (grizzlies,		
	wolverines, wolves); there are lots of		
	golden and bald eagles and every year		
	you see more. A few year back a bald		
	eagle was observed taking a calf; This		
	year there are way more grizzly bears,		
	there are some sows with 4 cubs and		
	lots of 3 cubs; the by-law restricts		
	hunting females with cubs so that		
	makes it hard to harvest.		

	Fort Good Hope (Sahtú): There are		
	lots of bears and wolves. There are a		
	lot of wolves and the packs are big.		
	Colville Lake (Sahtú): This year there		
	are more grizzly bears. They are		
	staying out of the den and they are		
	hunting longer. The snow is getting		
	crustier and the wolves can get		
	around on it easier.		
	Fort Good Hope (Sahtú): There are		
	more bears along the Mackenzie, in		
	areas that we haven't seen them		
	before.		
	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community	Most collared cows	
	members observed the caribou	return to their	
	usually come down here, but last year	calving ground – 149	
	and this year you see the movements	of 151 cows	
	go further south from Paulatuk; the	returned (2010 to	
	caribou migrated east early this year.	2018)	
	The first week of August they were		
	already crossing George Creek; the	One Bluenose-East	
	caribou never came up to the coast,	collar moved to the	
	probably because they didn't need to	Bluenose-West	
	escape the mosquitoes or cool off	calving grounds in	
	because the weather was so cool and	2018	
	rainy; in March and April, the caribou		
Dange and	weren't where they were supposed to		
Range and movement	be (due to ice). They were gone – only		
	old tracks.		
patterns	Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community		
	members observed that the caribou		
	move all over and can switch herds;		
	the caribou are moving further up into		
	the bush because the snow levels are		
	lower; small caribou herds are being		
	seen near small muskox herds in May,		
	so they are sharing the same feeding		
	areas near Mason River area.		
	Inuvik members observed in the		
	spring of 2018, there were a few		
	bunches seen near the Inuvik-		
	Tuktoyaktuk highway and then not as		

	many seen during the summertime.		
	Inuvik (GRRB): People used to see caribou around Inuvik when growing up (around 30 years ago). Now there is none.		
	Fort Good Hope (Sahtú): We need monitor in more areas as caribou are in places where they may not have been monitored before.		
Environment and habitat	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members noted this year we had bad weather – it was cold with rain and snow through the summer. June had a few good days; green-up about the same time. There was an extended spring thaw; no berry picking this year due to weather (a cold spell in July killed the aqpiks). Cranberries are late. Lots of blueberries; there were icing events this year (December/January) – there was a 3-inch layer of ice; there was a lot more slumping and erosion noticed out on the land; the northfacing snowbanks melted despite the cold, in Rat Lake area. Lots of green foliage. Arctic cotton was growing a lot and purple flowers [lupines]; the freeze-up is already here this year (mid September).	There were very few fires in the 2018 season. Parks Canada/TNNPMB currently developing a forage availability map for the calving grounds. This map can be used in the future to investigate changes to the vegetation composition and the timing of green-up within the calving grounds.	
	Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members noted that there was rain last December that caused a lot of ice — the ptarmigan were slipping around; more slumps and landslides, including landslides right near the caribou trails; the snow levels are lower and the caribou are moving further up into the bush; creeks are plugged up by beavers, so there is overflow and creeks are widening; last few years have been way less bugs (warble flies, etc.) so the caribou are staying where there is better food and not running around as much; had a cold spring and		

	Inuvik (GRRB): Climate change is changing a lot of things. There is more thawing, it's warm and wet. It used to be colder (a long time ago). Now, it's still 2-3 degrees in September. Colville Lake (Sahtú): Lots of landslides, waterways shifting, vegetation is sliding into the water as the banks collapse and there is concerns about the increase in mercury in the water, more snow lots of crust. It is getting warmer; there are more caribou when it was cold.		
Human disturbance	Paulatuk (WMAC): Community members stated one company, Generation Mining, flew their helicopters during the summer. They heard it every day as far as Egg Island. One community member flew as a wildlife monitor. Most of the time flew low level. Submitted reports to HTC and EISC. The vast majority of the caribou weren't congregating when they flew. Saw mainly young bulls, when they passed caribou they didn't budge (the muskox spooked though). They saw very few caribou as the ENR surveying was going on at the same time, so they stayed out of that area; there was collaring done by ENR in March and a photosurvey was flown in July. Tuktoyaktuk (WMAC): community members stated there are lots of helicopters and planes flying around, end of June/early July, up the peninsula past Campbell Island; Caribou are more startled by noise (i.e. ATV) than they used to be. Inuvik members stated there is concern about the Inuvik-Tuktoyaktuk highway now that is it open and there	Summer 2018 Generation Mining conducting a Magnetotelluric survey near Paulatuk. TNNPMB/Parks Canada has agreed to minimize over- flights during calving and post-calving	

is a lot of traffic and the caribou will leave the area; the caribou seen near the highway in the Spring 2018 didn't seem bothered. **Inuvik (GRRB):** With the new ITH, the access to BNW has increased a lot for Tuktoyaktuk (year-round access). It is ok because there is a tag system but could allow an increase in poaching and the development of monitoring plans will help address these pressures. Colville Lake (Sahtú): We are asking outsiders to let the community government office know when they are on the land and to get permission

to go hunting on our lands.

Orange Status Management Actions for Bluenose West Caribou

Management actions described in *Taking Care of Caribou* fall into five main categories: *Education, Habitat, Land Use Activities, Predators* and *Harvest Management*.

We have included a sixth category here to capture the *Monitoring* actions that were also identified in the Management Plan. Monitoring is a key part of learning and assessing the success of management actions. For the most part, monitoring actions differ from management actions as they are not as dependent on herd status – they are ongoing in many cases, but their frequency or intensity may change with changing status.



To make it easier to find specific information for each of these action categories they have been colour-coded throughout this document.

Different actions are often required depending on whether a herd's status is determined to be green, yellow, orange or red. A table summarizing appropriate management actions for all status levels as agreed to in *Taking Care of Caribou* is included in **Appendix B**. As the status of the Bluenose-West herd is **orange (intermediate and decreasing)**, each of the bulleted actions outlined for red status in that table has now been developed into a series of specific tasks in the **Management Actions Table** of this Action Plan.

Because most activities under *Education* and *Habitat* require very long-term approaches to be effective, the suggested management actions remain the same no matter the status of the herd. For actions in the *Land Use Activities*, *Predators*, and *Harvest Management* categories to be responsive to different phases of the population cycle, different actions are required depending on a herd's status – for example, when setting a herd Total Allowable Harvest (see **Appendix G** for an explanation of how allocations and the Total Allowable Harvest for a herd are set).

Management Actions Table for Bluenose West Caribou: Orange Status

Following principles laid out in *Taking Care of Caribou*, all actions and tasks described in this table will draw upon both community-based knowledge (including traditional knowledge) and scientific information. The ACCWM recognizes that documenting and using traditional knowledge is a priority for all member boards.

A. Education⁴

A-1. Develop education strategy

Objective – address community concerns regarding a lack of education (see various themes identified in **Taking Care of Caribou**) and clarify an approach

Task	Partners ⁵	Performance Measure	Deliverable date	Priority level ⁶	Status November 2018 – plans for 19/20
A.1.1 Strike an Education and Communication Working Group	ACCWM and government partners ⁷	Education and Communication Working Group meeting	2017/18	Тор	Done
A.1.2 Develop a Terms of Reference	ACCWM Working Group	Finalized TOR, approved by ACCWM	2017/18	Тор	Approved (2018).
A.1.3 Determine existing materials, programs, gaps, and opportunities for collaboration	Education and Communicati on Working Group	List of existing materials and programs, and opportunities for collaboration	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing; Dropbox with existing materials has been created.

⁴ Education specific to industrial land uses is dealt with in section C – Land Use Activities (C.3.1 and C.3.2).

⁵ Potential partners have been identified for individual tasks. Leads on tasks may vary, and will be determined at a later date.

⁶ While the ACCWM member boards feel that most of the management actions included here have a high priority, only those tasks and actions that call for immediate attention have been given a priority and deliverable deadline to date. These actions/tasks are categorized as 'Top' priority in the table. Further prioritization work (i.e., assigning High Medium or Low priority and deliverable dates to the remaining actions/tasks) will be done at a later date.

⁷ Potential government partners include: GNWT, GN, PCA, TG and other Aboriginal Governments.

A.1.4 Engage community organizations ⁸ for input on educational strategy	Education and Communicati on Working Group, with assistance from ACCWM	Summary of input / guidance from communities and related revisions	Every year before annual status meeting	Тор	Input from annual community tours.
A.1.5 Develop educational strategy, allowing for regional differences	Education and Communicati on Working Group	Document outlining strategy	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	The strategy is done (2018). Ask for ACCWM guidance on priorities (e.g., Respect, Wounding, Why ACCWM?)
A.1.6 ACCWM reviews educational strategy and provides advice to member boards ⁹ for approval	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	
A.1.7 Implementation of educational strategy	Member boards, government partners and regional partners ¹⁰	Summary report	2018/19 and onwards	Тор	The Strategy is was discussed at the 2018 meeting.

⁸ Throughout this document, "Engage community organizations" means that the member boards of the ACCWM will decide in any circumstance whether the community perspective is adequately represented within each boards' discussions, or whether a further process of community/community organizations' engagement is necessary. ACCWM member boards have discretion as to what community organizations are engaged and how the engagement takes place.

⁹ Throughout this Action Plan, the term 'member boards' refers to the six boards which are members of the Advisory Committee for Cooperation on Wildlife Management (ACCWM), including the Wildlife Management Advisory Council (NWT), Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board, ?ehdzo Got'įnę Gots'ę́ Nákedı (Sahtú Renewable Resources Board), Wek'èezhìı Renewable Resources Board, Kitikmeot Regional Wildlife Board, and Tuktut Nogait National Park Management Board.

¹⁰ Regional partners, which vary significantly by region, may include individual community members, community organizations, such as RRCs/HTCs/HTOs, and regional organizations.

A – 2. Develop education m	aterials				
		garding a lack of educ	cation on susta	ainable and res	spectful use, as well as caribou ecology
A.2.1 Develop draft materials based on results of A.1.3 and A.1.4	Education and Communicati on Working Group	Draft education materials	2018/19	Тор	Several materials have been developed by the Communications and Education Working Group. This includes, thank you notes and posters, post cards, shooting targets, etc. ENR provided an animated map of herd movements that was useful as a decision-making tool. This should be updated yearly.
A.2.2 Engage community organizations regarding types of materials and distribution		Summary of input / guidance from communities and related revisions	2018/19	Тор	SRRB: Engagement through community conservation planning, especially with Colville Lake.
A.2.3 Revise and distribute materials		Send finalized educational materials	2018/19	Тор	
A – 3. Community education Objective – address commu wounding loss and improve	nity concerns reg	garding a lack of educ	cation on sust	ninable and res	spectful use, as well as caribou ecology. Limit
A.3.1 Develop events / programs based on results of A.1.3 and A.1.4	Education and Communicati on Working Group, with assistance from ACCWM WG and regional partners	Develop 1-3 workshop curricula / programs			
A.3.2 Engage community organizations regarding	Education and Communicati	Summary of input / guidance from			

type and timing of	on Working	communities and			
workshops in each region	Group, with	related revisions			
workshops in each region	assistance	related revisions			
	from				
	ACCWM WG				
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A.3.3 Deliver workshops /	Education and	Minimum target:			
events		delivery of one			
	Communicati	workshop / event			
	on Working	per region, per			
	Group, with	year			
	community				
A.3.4 Hold sight in your	organizations	Minimum target:		Тор	
rifle events	and	delivery of one			
	government	workshop / event			
	partners	per region, per			
		year			
A – 4. School and youth edu					
	nity concerns reg	garding need for educ	ation and engi	agement of yo	uth. Increase knowledge transfer between elders
and youth			T		
A.4.1 Adapt education	Education	Education			WMAC went into the schools and did a sex ID
materials (developed in A	and	packages for			presentation with the kids.
- 2) for school use (at	Communicati	community			
elementary and high	on Working	agency /			SRRB was involved in the programs such as the
school levels)	Group	organization use			Dene Ts'ılı camp which discussed hunter
					mentorship and caribou in general.
A.4.2 Adapt community		Draft youth-			
education programs /		focused workshop			
events (developed in A –		curricula /			
3) for use in school and		programs			
youth-focused settings					
appropriate for each					
community and region					

(e.g., back to the land camps)				
A.4.3 Engage community		Summary of input		
organizations regarding		/ guidance from		
types of materials and		communities and		
program delivery		related revisions		
A.4.4 Program delivery	Community	Minimum target:		
	groups /	delivery of one		
	agencies	workshop / event		
		per region, per		
		year		
A.4.5 Encourage and	Community	Minimum target:		
promote hunter	groups /	delivery of one		
mentorship – develop	agencies,	workshop / event		
programs	with schools	per region, per		
		year		

B. Habitat

B – 1. Identify and recommend protection for key habitat areas

Objective – address community concerns that key habitat areas are not protected sufficiently

Performance Deliverable Task **Partners Priority Status** level Measure date B.1.1 Compile and 2017/18 Compilation of Top Ongoing. Government partners and 2018/19 review ENR existing **Inuvialuit Community Conservation Plans were updated;** Technical Report, **ACCWM WG** materials Section 8 of the IFA affords some protection to Bluenose-SARC BGC Status Next steps: West. report, land use Jody will create plans, results of monitoring a Dropbox for programs, etc. for information

		people to add materials			
B.1.2 Engage community organizations for identification of key habitat areas	ACCWM WG	Summary of input / guidance from communities	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing. Dél _l ne Plan identifies key habitat areas as does the land use plan for the Sahtú.
B.1.3 Identify key habitat areas in a sensitive habitat report based on information from B.1.1 and B.1.2	Government partners and ACCWM WG	Provide report to ACCWM, including draft maps of key areas	2018/19	Тор	GRRB working with Gwich'in Land Use Planning Board (GLUPB) to identify critical habitat for caribou in the GSA. GLUPB could support measure for habitat management for barren-ground caribou recommended by the ACCWM in the GSA. Parks Canada is working on a BNW forage project in Tutkuk Nogait National Park to predict and map summer forage quality and availability for BNW. This is expected to be able to act as a baseline to monitor changes in forage availability overtime. Once completed, it will be shared with ACCWM.
B.1.4 ACCWM reviews sensitive habitat report and provides advice to member boards for approval	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	
B.1.5 Member boards make and communicate recommendations to appropriate authorities	Member boards	Recommendatio ns provided	2018/19	Тор	

B-2. Review results of monitoring, including cumulative effects, to ensure enough habitat is available and caribou are able to move between areas of good habitat

Objective – ensure re	esearch and monito	oring programs are	relevant and a	ddressing c	urrent information needs for habitat management
B.2.1 Map and	Government	Compilation			GNWT 'Inventory of Landscape Change' being updated
track landscape disturbances	partners	map			Annual tracking of wildfire footprint
					Mackenzie Valley GIS submission standards
B.2.2 Identify and review recent relevant information (e.g., including results from research, monitoring; see C – Land Use Activities, also F – Monitoring Actions)	ACCWM WG and government partners, academics	Summary report	Every year before annual status meeting		•
B.2.3 Identify and /		List of gaps			
or review any gaps		identified			
or previous gaps					
assessments					
B.2.4 Seek		Advice included			
collaborators to		/ received from			
help refine		collaborators			
research questions					
and knowledge					
gaps					
B.2.5 ACCWM	ACCWM	Advice provided			
reviews		to member			
information and		boards			
provides advice for					
research and					
monitoring based					
on information					
from B.2.1-4					

B.2.6 Member	Member boards	Recommendatio			
boards make and		ns provided			
communicate					
recommendations					
to appropriate					
authorities					
B – 3. Recommend i	mportant habitat as	s a 'value at risk' for	r forest fire ma	nagement	
Objective – ensure s	ufficient winter hab	itat for caribou			
B.3.1 Based on	ACCWM	Key areas			
results of B – 1 and		identified for			
as results of B – 2		fire			
are available,		management			
provide advice to		and advice			
member boards on		provided to			
values at risk		member boards			
B.3.2 Member	Member boards	Recommendatio			
boards make and		ns provided			
communicate					
recommendations					
to fire					
management					

C. Land use activities

C – 1. Review results of cumulative effects monitoring programs

Objective – ensure cumulative effects monitoring programs are operational and relevant

Task	Partners	Performance	Deliverable	Priority	Status
		Measure	date	level	
C.1.1 Building on	ACCWM WG	Summary report			
work done in	and government				
Habitat (B – 2),	partners				
identify and review					
recent relevant					

information (e.g., CIMP, ENR, DOE) C.1.2 Identify and / or review any gaps or previous gaps assessments C.1.3 ACCWM reviews information and provides advice for research and monitoring based on information from C.1.1 and C.1.2 C.1.4 Member boards make and communicate recommendations to appropriate authorities C -2. Provide advice on mitigation of industrial impacts to proponents and regulators Objective – minimize industrial impacts to caribou and their habitat C.2.1 Identify parties involved in industrial activities on a herd's range (e.g., regulators, proponents and a cative developers) and and and water active developers of the community or aganizations to input / guidance or graphics of from		I	1	ı	ı		
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C.2.2 Engage ACCWM WG Summary of input / guidance	proponents and	Land and Water					
community input / guidance	active developers)	Boards, ILA)					
	C.2.2 Engage	ACCWM WG	Summary of				
organizations to from	community		input / guidance				
	organizations to		from				

identificand		communities			
identify land use					
concerns and how		and current			
they should be		regulatory			
addressed. Engage		protocols			
with regulators to					
identify any					
existing protocols					
C.2.3 Identify and /	ACCWM WG,	Recommendatio			
or develop	regional and	ns provided			
mitigating advice	government				
and / or	partners				
recommendations,					
targeted to specific					
audiences,					
including					
standards provided					
in <i>Taking Care of</i>					
Caribou (Appendix					
G)					
C.2.4 ACCWM	ACCWM	Advice provided			
reviews		to member			
information and		boards			
advises member					
boards					
C.2.5 Member	Member boards	Recommendatio			
boards make and		ns provided;			
communicate		results of C.2.2			
recommendations		and herd status			
to proponents		provided			
(including air					
carriers and other					
subcontractors)					
and regulators,					
including updates					
including updates					

on herd status and					
sensitive habitat					
report					
					grams for all, including proponents and airlines
Objective – address	concerns regarding	land use activities	impacting cari	bou habitat	t, and a lack of information on best practices / mitigating
advice	T	T	T	1	
C.3.1 Develop and	Education and	Draft materials		Тор	
/ or adapt existing	Communication				
education	Working Group	Next steps: The			
packages specific		working group			
to proponents,		create fact			
regulators, air		sheets based			
carriers and any		on existing			
other users not		materials to			
already covered by		educate			
actions in A –		groups about			
Education, and C –		what the			
1 and C – 2		conditions are.			
(recreational, traffic)		conditions are.			
C.3.2		Finalized		Тор	
Communicate		materials sent			
educational		out			
materials					
developed in C.3.1					

C – 4. Recommend increased enforcement of land use regulations, including community monitors¹¹

Objective – evaluate and track effectiveness of enforcement, and ensure community monitoring programs have a role in supporting application of land use regulations

¹¹ Enforcement is an action whereby delegated officers ensure compliance to an act of parliament or legislative assembly, or a regulation disseminated under an act where there is a sanction for failure to "comply" normally in the form of a fine or imprisonment. Monitoring is an action whereby community monitors (as described in this plan) observe and report on all aspects of land-use activities and wildlife management to the relevant agencies and/or regulators. A community monitor has no delegated legal authority.

C.4.A.1 Identify relevant agencies involved in inspection, enforcement and monitoring	ACCWM WG and other relevant agencies / partners (e.g., Land and Water Boards, ILA)	List of relevant agencies and regulations Next steps: approach GNWT Lands, regional Land & Water Boards re: list of who does what	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing. GNWT Lands, Regional Land & Water Boards (provide conditions), EISC, EIRB, ILA, ENR, GN.
C.4.A.2 Compile and review acts / regulations and current inspection and / or enforcement strategies and levels	ACCWM WG and regional partners	Summary report	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing Dropbox created for sharing materials.
C.4.A.3 Engage community organizations regarding enforcement approaches	ACCWM WG and government partners	Summary of input and guidance	2018/19	Тор	
C.4.A.4 Based on information from C.4.A.2 and C.4.A.3, assess enforcement, and provide advice about increased inspection or enforcement and /	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	

or regulation changes as required C.4.A.5 If and as	Member boards	Recommendatio	2018/19	Тор	
required, member boards provide recommendations to appropriate authorities	Weinsel Source	ns provided	2010/13	100	
C.4.B.1 Compile and review information on capacity, roles and opportunities for community monitors. Include identification of existing programs	ACCWM WG and regional partners	Summary report	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing. Recent developments of NWT Guardians of the Land Programs may apply here.
C.4.B.2 Engage community organizations regarding potential opportunities for community monitors	ACCWM WG and regional partners	Summary of input and guidance	2018/19	Тор	
C.4.B.3 Provide advice and ensure that mitigating advice provided in (C.2.3) includes roles for community monitors where appropriate	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	

C.4.B.4 If and as	Member boards	Recommendatio	2018/19	Тор	
required, member		ns provided			
boards provide					
recommendations					
to appropriate					
authorities					

D. Predators

D-1. Review results of research programs that monitor predator abundance and predation rates Objective – determine which predators impact caribou and the relative intensity of their impacts

Task	Partners	Performance	Deliverable	Priority	Status
		Measure	date	level	
D.1.1 Gather,	ACCWM WG	Summary report	2017/18	Тор	Ongoing
compile, review	and government		2018/19		
and present	partners	Next steps:			Completed wolf feasibility assessment (Nov 2017) ¹²
predator research		Jody to set up			
and monitoring		Dropbox for			KHTO: Wolf collaring is happening.
results to ACCWM		materials			
(including					
community and					
scientific					
monitoring results)					
D.1.2 Engage	ACCWM WG	Summary of	2017/18	Тор	Ongoing
community		input / guidance	2018/19		
organizations to		from			Research prioritization (GRRB & WMAC-NWT)
identify and		communities			
prioritize research					
needs by region					

¹² https://www.wrrb.ca/sites/default/files/FINAL%20Wolf%20Feasibility%20Assessment%20-%2010nov17.pdf

D.1.3 Identify and prioritize research needs based on information resulting from D.1.1 and D.1.2	ACCWM WG and government partners	Advice provided to ACCWM	2018/19	Тор	
D.1.4 ACCWM reviews and provides advice to member boards	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	
D.1.5 Member boards recommend research priorities to appropriate authorities	Member boards	Recommendatio ns provided	2018/19	Тор	
D – 2. Consider reco				redator mai	nagement is a viable option
D.2.1 Compile results from research regarding predator management / control programs	ACCWM WG and government partners	Literature	,	Тор	
D.2.2 Engage with other jurisdictions that have predator control experience		Information for summary report		Тор	
D.2.3 Identify jurisdictional / regional rules and regulations around predator management		List of existing regulations and rules		Тор	

D.2.4 Compile and review information from D.2.1-3		Summary report	Тор	
D.2.5 Engage		Summary of	Тор	
community		input / guidance	ТОР	
organizations		from		
regarding potential		communities		
options for				
predator				
management				
D.2.6 ACCWM	ACCWM	Advice provided	Тор	
provides advice to		to member		
member boards		boards		
regarding options				
for predator				
D.2.7 If justified,	Member boards	Recommendatio	Тор	
member boards	Weiliber boards	ns provided, if	ТОР	
recommend		needed		
predator		needed		
management tools				
to appropriate				
authorities				

E. Harvest Mana	igement				
E – 1. Resident, outf					
Objective – limit lice	nsed harvest to assi	ist in herd recovery			
Task	Partners	Performance	Deliverable	Priority	Status
		Measure	date	level	

¹³ The process differs in Nunavut, where the Land Claim Agreement (1993) specifies that an Inuk "shall have the right to dispose freely to any person any wildlife lawfully harvested. This includes the right to sell, barter, exchange and give either inside or outside the Nunavut Settlement Area" (5.7.30).

E.1.1 Based on	Member boards	Recommendatio			Done
results of		ns provided			
discussions					
concerning a Total					
Allowable Harvest					
(TAH) and harvest					
ratios, member					
boards make and					
communicate					
recommendations					
to appropriate					
authorities					
E – 2. Review of mar	ndatory limit for sul	osistence harvest fo	or further redu	ction ¹⁴	
Objective – limit sub					
E.2.A.1 Compile	Member boards	Summary	,		Done
historical and	and	documents			
current harvest	government				
information by	partners				
region					
E.2.A.2 Review	Member boards	Summary of			
information from	and regional	input / guidance			
preceding step	partners	from			
with community		communities			
organizations and					
advise regarding					
regional processes					
(e.g., public					
hearings)					

¹⁴ As strict conservations measures are needed areas with land claim agreements establish a Total Allowable Harvest (TAH). As circumstances require each ACCWM member (with the exception of the TNNPMB) will set the TAH for their region. When a herd is shared over land claim areas and/or areas without settled land claim agreements proportional allocations are set as to determine how the user groups will share the TAH.

E.2.A.3 Meetings	Member boards	Provide				
to discuss and	and other	percentages for				
propose regional	traditional users	inclusion in				
proportional		Action Plan				
allocations ¹⁵		7.00.0				
E.2.B.1 Based on	ACCWM	Proposed TAH	Every year,			
information	7.0011111	and definition	following			
presented at		of majority bull	annual			
annual status		harvest	status			
meeting, ACCWM		Harvest	meeting			
proposes a herd			meeting			
TAH and sex ratio						
E.2.B.2 ACCWM	ACCWM	Proposed TAH				
advises member	ACCVVIVI	provided to				
		member boards				
boards regarding		member boards				
the proposed herd						
TAH, based on						
E.2.B.1						
E.2.B.3 Each	Member boards	Summary of				
member board		input /				
consults with		guidance from				
communities on		communities				
regional TAH as		and related				
required by their		revisions				
respective land						
claim agreements						
(including public						
hearings as						
required by						
respective land						
claim agreements)						

¹⁵ The processes for determining Total Allowable Harvests and regional allocations are described in Appendix F.

E.2.B.4 Boards		Recommendatio						
recommend TAH		ns provided						
to Minister								
E – 3. Prioritize the c	ollection of harves	t information (see F	– 1. Develop l	narvest moi	nitoring program)			
Objective – record accurate harvest information								
E.3.1 Assess status	ACCWM WG	Review report of		Тор				
of harvest	with	existing						
reporting	government	programs						
programs (see F –	partners and							
Monitoring) and	regional							
identify any	partners							
roadblocks /								
challenges to								
success								
E.3.2 Based on		Regional		Тор				
E.2.B.1-3, work		workshops as						
with communities		required						
/ partners to								
identify what								
additional support								
or cooperation is								
needed, and how								
best to provide it								
E.3.3 Adjust		Revised		Тор				
educational		materials, as						
programming or		needed						
communication								
plan if required								
(see A - Education)								
	arvest of alternate	species and meat r	eplacement pr	ograms, an	d encourage increased sharing, trade and barter of traditional			
foods								
Objective – explore c	•		sure on caribou	J.				
E.4.1 Based on	ACCWM WG	List and			Ongoing work as part of community-based planning			
available	with	rationale of			programs.			

information, identify alternate species populations whose status allows increases in harvest	government partners	potential alternate species / populations	ISR/GSA harvest reported through tag program; Sharvest reporting plan being developed. Alternate harvests are being promoted regionally Nunavut there is a program to subsidize harvesting Muskox, in the Sahtú alternate species are promoharvesting the GRRB is discussing options for comharvests.	y. In ng in oted for
E.4.2 Engage community organizations to determine regionally appropriate species / populations and options for meat replacement programs	ACCWM WG	Summary of input / guidance from communities and related revisions	Ongoing	
E.4.3 Based on information resulting from E.4.1 and E.4.2, develop list of regionally appropriate alternate species for harvest and options for meat replacement programs		List of alternate species and meat replacement options	To be completed by Communication/Education W Group	Vorking

E.4.4 ACCWM	ACCWM	Advice provided			
reviews list and		to member			
provides advice to		boards			
member boards					
E.4.5 Member	Member boards	Recommendatio			
boards		ns provided			
recommend		,			
alternate species					
populations and /					
or meat					
replacement					
programs to users.					
Collaborate with					
partners to					
recommend the					
development and					
funding of harvest					
or sharing					
programs (may					
include trade and					
barter, community					
hunts or freezers,					
etc.)					
E.4.6 Adapt	Education and	Draft			
existing	Communication	communication			
Communication	Working Group	plan and			
Plan and		education			
educational		materials			
materials to better					
promote use of					
alternate species					
and meat					
replacement					
programs (see A –					

Education and					
Appendix C)					
E – 5. Recommend i	ncreased enforcem	nent including comm	nunity monitor	s (see footi	note clarifying monitoring and enforcement responsibilities at
C – 4).					
Objective – maximiz	e approaches and	tools to ensure com	pliance of regu	ılations	
E.5.1 Identify	ACCWM WG	List of relevant	2017/18	Тор	Ongoing work as part of community-based planning
relevant agencies	and other	agencies,	2018/19	·	programs.
involved in	relevant	regulations, and			
inspection,	agencies /	policies			
enforcement and	partners	including			
monitoring, and		summary			
prepare summary		,			
of regulations and					
policies they are					
operating from					
E.5.2 Engage	ACCWM WG	Summary of	2017/18	Тор	Ongoing.
community		input /	2018/19	·	
organizations and		guidance			
enforcement					
officers regarding					
enforcement					
approaches					
E.5.3 Assess if	ACCWM WG	Summary	2018/19	Тор	
current	and regional	report			
enforcement	partners				
approaches and					
levels are					
adequate.					
Evaluate capacity,					
roles and					
opportunities (e.g.,					
for community					
monitors)					

E.5.4 Based on information from E.5.1 - E.5.3, provide advice to member boards about increased enforcement and/or regulation changes as required	ACCWM	Advice provided to member boards	2018/19	Тор	
E.5.5 Member boards provide recommendations to government	Member boards	Recommendatio ns provided	2018/19	Тор	
E.5.6 Engage partners to assist in training and implementing community monitoring programs	ACCWM WG	Funding plan, training program	2018/19	Тор	

F. Monitoring

F – 1. Develop a comprehensive harvest reporting program

Objective – develop or adapt existing harvest reporting programs to collect and provide standardized harvest data from all regions

Task	Partners	Performance	Deliverable	Priority	Status
		Measure	date	level	
F.1.1 Compile and review information on existing harvest reporting programs and	ACCWM WG	Summary report	2017/18 2018/19	Тор	Ongoing.

develop minimum					
standards					
		Cummon		Ton	Ongoing
F.1.2 Engage		Summary	2010/10	Тор	Ongoing.
community		report	2018/19		
organizations					
regarding					
appropriate					
programs for					
harvest data					
collection					
F.1.3. Adapt		Finalized	2018/19	Тор	
harvest reporting		harvest			
programs based on		reporting			
information from		program			
F.1.1 and F.1.2. to					
standardize					
harvest data					
F.1.4 Implement	Member boards	Collections	2018/19	Тор	
harvest data	and	initiated			
collection program	government				
F.1.5 Establish	partners	Template	2018/19	Тор	
annual data					
reporting template					
F.1.6 Adapt and /		Pilot database	2018/19	Тор	
or develop		program	-		
database and		developed			
protocols		, i			
F.1.7 Gather,	ACCWM WG	Summary report	2018/19	Тор	Ongoing.
compile and		,		,	
present total herd					
harvest data to					
ACCWM					
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F – 2. Develop and initiate community-based monitoring (CBM) programs (including observational and experiential data)

Objective – develop or adapt existing community-based monitoring programs to collect data in a format that can be used for decision-making

F.2.1 Compile and	ACCWM WG	Summary report			
review information		, ,			
on existing					
community-based					
monitoring					
programs					
F.2.2 Compile	ACCWM WG	Draft 'state of			
existing traditional	with regional	traditional			
knowledge	partners	knowledge'			
documentation		report(s)			
and identify any					
new					
documentation /					
work required as					
basis for a					
community-based					
monitoring					
program					
F.2.3 Engage	ACCWM WG	Summary of			
community		input /			
organizations		guidance from			
regarding		communities			
appropriate					
programs for					
community-based					
monitoring to					
collect herd status					
information (see					
Table 1 in <i>Taking</i>					
Care of Caribou)					
F.2.4 Adapt and /		Finalized CBM			
or develop CBM		program			
program(s) based				 	

on information					
from F.2.1-3					
F.2.5 Recommend	Member boards	Recommendatio			
appropriate CBM	Wichiber boards	ns provided			
programs including		113 provided			
traditional					
knowledge studies					
F.2.6 Establish	Member boards	Cianad data			
		Signed data-			
data-sharing	and regional	sharing			
arrangements and	partners	agreements			
/ or information-					
sharing protocols					
F.2.7 Adapt and /	ACCWM WG	Database			
or develop		program			
database		developed			
F.2.8 Gather,	Regional	Summary report	Annual		
compile and	partners		ACCWM		
present results to			meeting		
ACCWM					
F – 3. Conduct scient	~				
	or adapt existing sc	ientific monitoring	programs to c	ollect data i	n a format that can be used for decision-making
F.3.1 Compile and	Government	Summary report		Тор	
review information	partners and				
on existing	regional				
scientific	partners				
monitoring					
programs					
F.3.2 Engage	ACCWM WG	Summary of		Тор	
community		input /			
organizations		guidance from			
regarding		communities			
appropriate					
programs for					
scientific					
	1			1	

monitoring to collect herd status information (see also F.2.3) and appropriate ways to collaborate					
F.3.3 Research and develop mechanism for collaboration between regions, compiling information and reporting on research programs	ACCWM to determine responsible parties	Decide on mechanism for collaboration		Тор	
F.3.4 Construct scientific monitoring schedule based on engagement and Table 1 in <i>Taking</i> Care of Caribou	ACCWM WG	Annual report / work plan	Annual status meeting	Тор	
F.3.5 Support appropriate scientific monitoring studies	Member boards	Approval by member boards	Annual status meeting	Тор	
F.3.6 Establish information sharing protocols	Government partners	Information shared according to protocol		Тор	Member boards & ACCWM will ask for clarity on releasing scientific information.
F.3.7 Gather, compile and present results to ACCWM		Status of all monitoring criteria	Annual status meeting	Тор	

	communicated			
	to the ACCWM			

Acronyms used in this Plan

ACCWM (WG) Advisory Committee for Cooperation on Wildlife Management (Working Group)

CI Confidence Interval

DoE Department of Environment, Government of Nunavut
ENR Department of Environment and Natural Resources, GNWT

GN Government of Nunavut

GNWT Government of the Northwest Territories
GRRB Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board
HTC Hunters and Trappers Committee
HTO Hunters and Trappers Organization

ISR Inuvialuit Settlement Region

NWMB Nunavut Wildlife Management Board

NWT Northwest Territories PCA Parks Canada Agency

RRC Renewable Resources Council

SE Standard Error

TAH Total Allowable Harvest TG Tłįchǫ Government

TNNPMB Tuktut Nogait National Park Management Board

TOR Terms of Reference

WEMP Wildlife Effects Monitoring Plan

WMAC (NWT) Wildlife Management Advisory Council (Northwest Territories)

WWHPP Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat Protection Plans

Appendix A: List of ACCWM Working Group members

The ACCWM formed a working group to draft the Action Plans that accompany the *Taking Care* of *Caribou* Management Plan. The Working Group included representatives of the following organizations:

- ?ehdzo Got',nę Gots'é Nákedi (Sahtú Renewable Resources Board)
- Dehcho First Nations¹⁶
- Department of the Environment, Government of Nunavut
- Environment and Natural Resources (ENR), GNWT
- Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board
- Inuvialuit Game Council
- Kitikmeot Regional Wildlife Board
- Kugluktuk Hunters and Trappers Organization (Kugluktuk Angoniatit Association)
- Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
- Parks Canada Agency
- Tłycho Government
- Tuktut Nogait National Park Management Board
- Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resources Board
- Wildlife Management Advisory Council (NWT).

¹⁶ The Dehcho First Nations organization is part of the Working Group, but has had very limited involvement. There is an outstanding invitation for them to join the ACCWM.

Appendix B: Summary table of management actions presented in *Taking Care of Caribou*

	Management Actions Based on Herd Status/Colour Zone							
Management Action	The population level is intermediate and increasing	The population level is high	The population level is intermediate and decreasing	The population level is low				
Education	Recommend education programs for all status levels. Ideas for educational themes include: • Promoting total use of harvested caribou, and proper butchering and storage methods; • Limiting wounding loss; • Letting the leaders pass; • Promoting community hunts with experienced hunters; • Use of alternate species; and • Increased sharing of traditional foods.							
Habitat	 Identify and recommend protection for key habitat areas; Review results of monitoring, including cumulative effects, to ensure enough habitat is available and caribou are able to move between areas of good habitat; Recommend important habitat as a 'value at risk' for forest fire management. 							
Land use activities	Review results of cumulative effects monitoring programs; Provide advice on mitigation of industrial impacts to proponents and regulators.	 Review results of cumulative effects monitoring programs; Provide advice on mitigation of the impacts of exploration and development activities to proponents and regulators. 	 Review results of cumulative effects monitoring programs; Provide advice on mitigation of industrial impacts to proponents and regulators; Provide active and accessible communication and recommend education programs for all including proponents and airlines; Recommend increased enforcement of land use regulations, including community monitors. 	 Work directly with proponents and regulators of exploration and development activities to advise on mitigation measures; Review results of cumulative effects monitoring programs; Provide active and accessible communication and recommend education programs for all including proponents and airlines; Recommend increased enforcement of land use regulations, including community monitors. 				

Manageme	Management Actions Based on Herd Status/Colour Zone						
Management Action	The population level is intermediate and increasing	The population level is high	The population level is intermediate and decreasing	The population level is low			
Predators	Continue research programs to monitor predator condition (e.g., carcass collection and community monitoring programs).	Continue research programs to monitor predator condition (e.g., carcass collection and community monitoring programs).	 Review results of research programs that monitor predator abundance and predation rates; Consider recommending options for predator management. 	 Review results of research programs that monitor predator abundance and predation rates; Consider recommending options for predator management. 			
Harvest	 Recommend easing limits on subsistence and then resident harvests; Consider recommending outfitter and commercial harvests at discretion of the ACCWM. 	 Support harvest by beneficiaries of a Land Claim and members of an Aboriginal people, with rights to harvest wildlife in the Region; Recommend that if subsistence needs are met resident harvest should be permitted (with limits); Potentially recommend resident (nonbeneficiary), nonresident, sport hunts, and/or commercial harvests. 	 Recommend a mandatory limit on subsistence harvest based on a TAH accepted by the ACCWM; Prioritize the collection of harvest information; Recommend no resident, outfitter or commercial harvest; Recommend a majority-bulls harvest, emphasizing younger and smaller bulls and not the large breeders and leaders; Recommend harvest of alternate species and encourage increased sharing, trade and barter of traditional foods, such as the use of community freezers; Recommend increased enforcement including community monitors. 	 Recommend harvest of alternate species and meat replacement programs, and encourage increased sharing, trade and barter of traditional foods; Prioritize the collection of harvest information; Review of mandatory limit for subsistence harvest for further reduction; Recommend increased enforcement including community monitors; Resident, commercial, or outfitter harvest remain closed. 			