

**Sahtu Renewable Resources Board  
Board Conference Call  
19 October 2009**

**Present on Call:**

Paul Latour	I/Chair	Walter Bayha	Special Representative
Leonard Kenny	Member	Chris Hopkins	Executive Director
Gordon Zealand	Member	Jody Snortland	Executive Director
Keith Hickling	Member		

**Convened at 10:06 a.m.**

**1. Bluenose-East Caribou**

- During the September 2009 board meeting, although ENR was unable to obtain the population estimate for the Bluenose-East caribou (BNE) herd, the Board made the decision not to support further research on the herd until 2012, i.e. ‘leave the caribou alone’.
- The Board discussed additional information provided by Jan Adamczewski about the BNE herd. Based on satellite collar maps from 2006-2009, it seems that the BNE herd has shifted eastward. Therefore, harvest by outfitters and communities in the North Slave Region as well as Déline appears to be mainly BNE. Serious declines in the Bathurst herd may further shift harvest to the BNE herd.
- The Board agreed that more information is required about the herd to make solid, well-balanced management decisions for a trans-boundary herd.
- Suggest to: conduct required surveys in 2010, focus on stewardship and enforcement, including increased fines and seizures for wastage, development of conservation-education programs using monies identified in the GNWT Barren-ground Management Strategy, restrict land use activities, including winter road access, collect harvest information by providing monies to the SRRB and RRCs to conduct harvest studies, and support research on traditional knowledge, climate change, forest fires, genetic sampling to confirm herd distribution.

**SRRB Motion#10-19-09-01**

- To support the following management actions for the Bluenose-East caribou herd:
  - Conduct calving, post-calving and fall composition surveys in 2010.
  - Focus on stewardship and conservation-education initiatives.
  - Focus on enforcement and compliance efforts.
  - Collect accurate harvest information from all categories of harvesters.
  - Conduct research on traditional knowledge.
  - Conduct additional research on climate change, forest fire effects, and genetic sampling of herds to confirm distribution.

**Moved by:** Gordon Zealand

**Seconded by:** Leonard Kenny

**Carried Unanimously**

## **2. Office Lease Renewal**

- On October 2, 2009, a request was made to Two Rivers Development Group Ltd to agree to a five-year extension to the SRRB office lease. The extension was approved on October 15, 2009 with a proposed increase in rent of 10% (the CPI for shelter has increased by 13% over the past five years). As of April 1, 2010, the Board would pay a monthly rate of \$5,517.75 (\$5,255.00 plus GST).

### **SRRB Motion#10-19-09-02**

- To agree to a 10% increase in office rent, beginning April 1, 2010 for a five year lease period

**Moved by:** Keith Hickling

**Seconded by:** Leonard Kenny

**Carried Unanimously**

**ACTION (ED):** To write letter to Minister of ENR re: recommendations for the Bluenose-East and West caribou herds

**ACTION (ED):** To write a letter to Two Rivers Development Group to agree to 10% increase in rent, beginning April 1, 2009, for a five year lease period

**Adjourned at 11:20 a.m.**