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Dear Mr. Popko,

Rc: Proposed Fall Composition Work

Following my telephone call last week, in your proposal it states that the project was requested by the Behdzi Ahda" First Nation which we are not aware of nor have any recorded minutes to that effect by the Band therefore we cannot support this proposed aerial survey as stated.

As per my telephone call to you I request that you not proceed with your plan until we can work out a process how best to approach this ongoing intrusion by the GNWT on our traditional lands. I would like to request that your department and the SRRB read the Sahtu Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement under chapter 13.6.3 where it states: {Government shall work with the users of the Bluenose caribou herd for the purpose of establishing an agreement for the management of the herd}. I believe we the Dene of Colville Lake are the users and are very interested in developing a process that would allow us to work together versus going around us without consultation.

Thank you for the time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Kochon
Chief

Cc. SRRB
Cc. Sahtu MLA
Cc. Minister Responsible for ENR