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Subject: FW: YFGA letter
Date: April 15, 2020 at 1:06 PM
To: YFWMB Communications communications@yfwmb.ca



Can you pdf this and add it to the moose harvest mgmt. tab?

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Graham,

Thank you for sharing the letter from YFGA.

Respectfully, the covid-19 health emergency has limited the consultation process since restrictions came into force starting in March 2020. The Department began consulting with the Board almost a year ago now when we first presented the proposal to the Board, we have worked with FN and RRC internally for almost as long and with the public since the fall of 2019. Consultation continues today just differently as a result of covid-19 situation, it as not stopped the process to support the YFGA position in the letter.

The Department has invited YFGA and been open to meeting with the YFGA association to discuss these proposals previously and to date they have not come to the table to discuss with the Department. The Boards consultation process continues today through online submissions, numerous public have been held previously, virtual meetings continue, and written submissions have received by the board by many parties for the Boards to consider. To propose to set aside the proposals based on a lack of consultation during this covid -19 situation now into its fourth week is unsupported and demonstrates a lack of commitment to participate, and further lack recognition by the association to the importance of these proposals at this time. To set aside these proposals not only delays important moose management question now for a minimum of five years, assuming they will be brought forward next regulation cycle, but further requires both parties to start this process from the beginning with new Board members, new RRC and FN governments and undoes the hard work completed by everyone.

Moose management is at the point where the "status quo" simply is not an option if we are to be responsible partners in the management of moose in Yukon. The proposal currently before the Board is one piece of a suite of management changes required in the Yukon to become better stewards of the resource something expected by First Nations, Board members, department staff, non-government organizations such as YFGA, and the general public. These proposals when considered in combination of the Stratos report, the priorities identified by the Yukon Forum working group, such as accurate and timely First Nation harvest reporting, total allowable harvest, to name a couple are vital for

everyone to move forward towards better stewardship practices, decisions and management across the territory.

I appreciate the proposals before the Board are challenging as they have created a robust conversation in Yukon around moose management. This is a positive conversation which needs to occur even though they are difficult conversations as change is difficult for many. We must remember our goal is to be better stewards of the land which means modernizing our tools to conserve the resource while maintaining opportunities for all Yukoners.

sincerely,

Ryan

Director, FWB

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John Burdek c/o Office Manager,

Good Afternoon,

John please find attached an electronic copy of our letter mailed to you earlier this week.

Saxon Ritchie, Office Manager

