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Attention: Mark Nassiopoulos and Gary Darbyshire,

Re: Resolution #2019-01 Department of Environment Review

The Yukon Fish and Wildlife Management Board (Board) would like to thank you for your letter dated May 14th, 2020. As you know, The Board was party to the original discussions that developed the ARRC resolution dating back to April 2017. As with resolutions that are derived from the Renewable Resources Councils (RRC) Annual General Meetings – we are keen to see them through to completion where possible.

As per your query on the Yukon Forum’s Review of the Board, we are still in the early stages of reviewing and implementing the recommendations in cooperation with the Yukon Forum Fish and Wildlife Working Group. The process is moving slower than predicted, and the new measures in place following COVID-19 has not served to hasten the process. Several “administrative” items have been completed, but no substantive resolutions have been met to date.

Our next working group meeting is June 9th, where we hope to address six of the proposed “starting points”, which were provided to us by the Working Group at our last meeting. In addition, we have sought some legal advice on a few of the Working Group’s proposals to ensure that the Working Group does not move forward with any recommendations within the review that may dilute the Board’s mandate and responsibilities per the Umbrella Final Agreement, or respective First Nation Final Agreements.

As per the proposed regulations for moose harvest and the Adaptive Management proposal, and in relation to the Alsek RRC’s original resolution, the Board will not stand in the way of re-starting any resolution advanced by a Renewable Resources Council. It should, however, be reiterated that we are still many months away from completing the Yukon Forum’s Review of

the Board and we have not yet finished implementing the majority of the Stratos recommendations.

At the Renewable Resources Council's Annual General Workshop in November 2019, we requested that the review of the Board be completed prior to advancing Alsek's proposal. Therefore, we will not be able to offer much in the way of support should your council decide to go forward with the resolution at this time.

The Board looks forward to continuing our work with the Alsek Renewable Resources Council and look forward to our next meeting with you and your Council.

Thank you for your continued interest .

Sincerely,



Carl Sidney, Chair