



July 21, 2021

Carl Sidney  
Chair, Yukon Fish and Wildlife Management Board  
Box 31104  
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Dear Mr. Carl Sidney:

**Re: Yukon Fish and Wildlife Management Board Transfer Payment Funding Agreement**

Thank you for your June 15, 2021 letter identifying concerns of the Yukon Fish and Wildlife Management Board (Board) with the current process for transfer payment funding agreement.

I understand you have been in discussions with staff in the Aboriginal Relations Division of the Executive Council Office and the Department of Environment and that a meeting was held on June 24, 2021 where you were able to discuss some of the issues raised in your letter. I also understand you were informed that we will need time to analyze your comments and that any changes to the Transfer Payment Funding Agreement will have broader implications. Respecting this, the departments will be in contact to review and confirm our next steps.

The Government of Yukon recognizes the Board's roles and responsibilities under the Umbrella Final Agreement and greatly values maintaining a strong and respectful relationship. We remain committed to working with the Board to establish a budget and work plan that addresses our shared priorities in fish and wildlife management while ensuring reporting requirements with all our funding recipients uphold current standards for the use of public funds.

Sincerely,

Nils Clarke  
Minister of Environment

cc: Peter Johnston, Grand Chief, Council of Yukon First Nations  
Brian MacDonald, Assistant Deputy Minister, Aboriginal Relations  
Dionne Savill, Regional Director General, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada