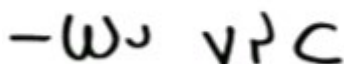


Also of concern for Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene is the need for greater assessment of the cumulative impacts to wildlife and wildlife habitat, particularly caribou, from this project proposal. There is potential for cumulative effects on disturbance to caribou from other projects in the Beverly/Qamanirjuaq herds' range. These include the Aberdeen Uranium Project, Amer Lake Trend, Amer Lake, Angilak, Baker Lake South, Fenix, Ferguson Lake, Meadowbank Mine's Complex, Thelon Basin Generative Project, Hook Lake, Nut Lake, Victory Lake and Yath Property. There are also other projects and proposed projects within the Beverly/Qamanirjuaq herds' range that add to the potential for cumulative effects on disturbance to caribou and caribou habitat. These include, but are not limited to, the Meliadine Mine's complex and the proposed Kivalliq Hydro-Fibre Link. Potential long-term adverse irreversible cumulative effects are possible from increased stress to caribou and impacts to caribou habitat. There does not appear to be an effective framework for the identification and assessment of cumulative impacts to caribou that could result from the impacts of the proposed activities combined with those of any other project that has been carried out, is being carried out or is likely to be carried out within the Beverly/Qamanirjuaq herds' range in Nunavut.

Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene submit that the activities described in the Hook Lake Project may result in significant adverse impacts on the ecosystem, wildlife, wildlife habitat, and harvesting activities of Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene and other Indigenous peoples, as well as other potential socio-economic effects on Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene.

Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene have significant concerns related to the proposed activities, particularly on the potential impacts to caribou and their habitat. Also of concern for Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene is the need for greater assessment of the cumulative impacts to wildlife and wildlife habitat, particularly caribou, from this project proposal. As noted above, caribou are critical to our well-being, way of life and the exercise of our rights.

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