

In particular, these specific Goals and Objectives of the Management Plan:

Goal 1: Protect the area for all wildlife and culture resources.

Objective 1.2: Ensure areas rich in wildlife and cultural resources are documented, conserved and protected.

Goal 2: Manage and conserve the protected area consistent with the rules of the legislation.

Objective 2.2: Encourage research that addresses the management considerations.

The Ahiak Area Co-Management Committee is particularly interested in research related to overabundant light geese (Snow Goose, Ross's Goose) and their effects on their habitat and habitat used by other birds and wildlife species.

As such, the Ahiak Area Co-Management Committee is pleased to support the proposed research by Jules and his team and we look forward to working with him on this project if it goes forward. The estimated in-kind value of the Ahiak Area Co-Management Committee's contribution to Jules's project is \$4,000.

Please be advised that entry into the Ahiak Migratory Bird Sanctuary, in this case for the purposes of research, requires a permit. The Ahiak Area Co-Management Committee as well as Canadian Wildlife Service biologists review permit applications. Applications for permits to enter and conduct research in the Ahiak Migratory Bird Sanctuary can be obtained by contacting the Canadian Wildlife Service Permitting Officer in Iqaluit at ec.nupermisscf-cwspermitnu.ec@canada.ca. The firm deadline for work occurring in the spring/summer of a given year is 01 February.

Sincerely,



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