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RE: Changes to Agnico Eagle's Terrestrial Management Plan

The Baker Lake HTO has received Agnico-Eagle's new Terrestrial Ecosystem Management Plan (TEMP). This revised TEMP has made some significant changes to caribou protection:

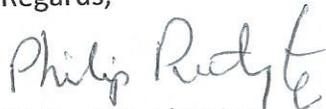
- In the previous TEMP, Agnico shut down the haul road if more than 12 caribou were nearby during the spring migration season. According to the revised TEMP, they will only close the road in the spring if 75 caribou are nearby.
- In the previous TEMP, Agnico Eagle closed the haul road if 110 caribou were nearby during the fall migration. According to the revised TEMP, they only close the road in the fall if 1000 caribou are nearby.

The Baker Lake HTO is concerned that these changes may have been made without the involvement of the Terrestrial Advisory Group (TAG). At the TAG meeting in November these new thresholds were not discussed. These changes were not mentioned during a TAG conference call in April. After the final hearing for the Whale Tail expansion project in 2019, the HTO was under the impression that these major changes would only be made with the full participation of the TAG.

I request the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) provide guidance on this matter. According to the NIRB's interpretation of the proponent's commitments and the project certificate, can Agnico Eagle make these changes without involving the TAG?

I also request the Government of Nunavut and Kivalliq Inuit Association clarify for the record whether or not they have been consulted about these changes.

Regards,



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Chairperson

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