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Subject: SLUP Meeting with Tulita Representatives
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Dear Edna,

I am in Norman Wells right now. I met with representatives of Tulita Dene Band, Tulita Land Corporation, Fort Norman Metis Land Corporation and Tulita Renewable Resources Council last night in Norman Wells.

The following issues were identified:

PCI - Naats'ihch'oh - This area needs to be carefully reviewed as it includes lands that might be used for the creation of a National Park, it includes lands that are currently subject to mining claims and mining leases and these interests need a buffer zone to develop the minerals, it includes lands that may be suitable for future power (hydro) development and it includes lands that are currently being used as a road to the Howard's Pass area. All of these issues are being reviewed by all of the groups that make up the community of Tulita and many of the issues are also being considered in the negotiations with Parks Canada. The only signed agreement that is in place for this area, at the moment, is the Cooperation Agreement with Selwyn Resources. Finalization of the zoning for this area needs a lot more detail than has been available to the community. The SLUP must engage the stakeholders (Tulita Land Corporation, Fort Norman Metis Land Corporation, Tulita Renewable Resources Council and Tulita Dene Band) in a formal and direct way with detail.

If one assumes that part of the land identified in this zone eventually becomes a National Park then one must ask what becomes of the lands that are not part of the National Park. Those lands will no longer be PCI but would seem to retain the same status which is the equivalent of CZ which essentially means no development. My sense of the meeting is that the leadership would prefer that the lands that will not be required for the National Park be zoned SMZ.

The stakeholders intend to consult their respective memberships on these issues over the next three weeks in preparation for a meeting with Parks Canada in Norman Wells on October 20.

PCI - Shuhtagotine Nene - This area includes significant areas of lands owned by Tulita District Land Corporation. Many people attending the meeting were quite surprised to learn that the effect of Draft #3 would be to put these lands in a PCI and in effect exclude them from economic development purposes. This issue will also be discussed in the community consultations referred to in the previous section.

I have also asked the board of directors of TDLC to review the effect that Draft #3 will have on all lands that TDLC owns. The board and the other stakeholders in Tulita need wall sized maps (Map 2) to show the relationship of the lands that TDLC owns and the proposed zoning. This is an urgent matter.

CR #3 - Community Benefits - While most people applaud the inclusion of this CR they are concerned about potential conflicts between the CR and the provisions on

chapter 22 of the SDMCLA. They are also concerned that the openendedness of the CR may leave it open to developers to "shop around" for a community body that would be amenable to the developers proposals. It is important that this CR be redrafted so as to conform with the SDMCLCA and that it be detailed. For example, the Land Corporations should be specified as the bodies that any agreements must be negotiated with.

Directional Drilling - There was consensus that there should be a General Condition that no directional drilling (or similar mode of operation) be allowed if the objective was to extract resources that lie underneath a CZ or a PCI.

Please add all of these items to the agenda for the November hearing.

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