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Re: August 9, 2004 Environmental Assessment Act screening and additional information regarding previously deferred Year 1 Interim Wood Supply Blocks C5, C9, and C12 in the Cosh Creek Operating Unit.

Dear Ms. Sharples,

Thank you for providing CPAWS-Yukon with the Environmental screening for the three previously deferred Year 1 Interim Wood Supply Blocks in the SE Yukon and the associated additional information. Your continued inclusion of all stakeholders in the Environmental screening process is recognized and much appreciated.

The information you provided was reviewed. Although it was presented in an unclear, non user-friendly fashion, overall, we have no significant recommendations at this time. I would like to provide some suggestions for future Environmental Assessment Act screenings to increase reader clarity.

To prevent further unnecessary difficulties associated with interpreting the information provided, it would be most useful for the reader, to include a concise summary of past information, KFRSC amendments and an overview of changes made.

Your efforts to send additional information are appreciated, however; in the future, I would like to request the site plan mapping information include forest vegetation cover and calculated existing cutblock sizes as well as combined existing and new cutblock sizes. Is it possible to obtain site plan map information (particularly existing and expected cutblocks and internal reserve shapefiles) in digital format in order to ease the transfer of information?

Additionally, I would like to obtain information specifically on how internal reserves are chosen. Could you please forward me a copy of the Forest Management Branch's Site and Harvest Plan leave tree specifications?

We look forward to advancing towards regional land use planning in the SE Yukon this fall and continuing to work cooperatively with all parties involved.

Yours sincerely,

Theresa Gulliver
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