

Hello Robin,

As you are aware, we have been working with Forest Operations to develop a map of areas of high potential within the Champagne and Aishihik Traditional Territory to assist in forestry planning and development. The preliminary map was completed just this week and should assist in identifying and managing possible impacts to archaeological and historic sites in the Quill Creek Bench HPA. Referring to the heritage potential map it appears that there are a number of proposed access roads and spur roads that occur in high potential areas (please double check this, as the scale on the map I have makes it a bit hard to tell). In these instances, an archaeological impact assessment is generally required, either in advance of the project or as a post-impact assessment.

I would also like to comment on section "2.2.4 Cultural Heritage Resources and Archaeological Sites" included in the Forest Development Plan. The heading of this section suggests an archaeological assessment or inventory was carried out which is not the case - the two localities noted here are evidence of historic activity (not archaeological sites). To date, no archaeological sites have been documented for the Quill Creek Bench HPA. Also, it should be stated that any historic sites or features will be avoided and buffered from further disturbance just to be comprehensive.

And, if possible, could information on any sites that have been noted in the HPA be forwarded to our office as well as CAFN to add to the inventories, which are managed by Government of Yukon Heritage Resources on non-settlement lands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Quill Creek Bench HPA Forest Development Plan.

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