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Re: Southampton Island - NWB4SOU0002

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), I have reviewed the renewal application submitted for the Commercial Caribou Harvest on Southampton Island. In general, the previous water licence conditions will provide adequate guidance to the proponent for the upcoming harvests.

In the past, animal remains from the harvest have been deposited in the Hamlet of Coral Harbour's waste disposal site. Presumably, this is acceptable to the Hamlet and the wastes are adequately covered. In the summer of 2002, our department conducted an environmental assessment screening of the Hamlet's water licence application. The suggested mitigative measures included that they physically separate the solid waste disposal site and the sewage wetland treatment area to prevent leachate from the landfill from entering the wetland, and prepare and submit an Operation and Maintenance Plan that outlines procedures for trench filling, compacting and covering (currently done on an infrequent basis, every two years). Since the Hamlet is accepting the responsibility for the wastes produced through the commercial harvest, I suggest that they incorporate this into their O&M Plan. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4548 or by e-mail at [mcchristiem@inac.gc.ca](mailto:mcchristiem@inac.gc.ca).

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