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Re: Comments on Application for Water License Renewal NWB4WEI0002 - Hope Bay Joint Venture - "V" Notch Weir, Kitikmeot, NU.

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the above noted water license renewal NWB4WEl002. The following recommendations have been made in regards to Environment Canada mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA), section 36 of the Fisheries Act, the Canadian Wildlife Act, and the Migratory Birds Convention Act.

Hope Bay Joint Venture is seeking a water license renewal to continue the operation of Stickleback Weir.

Environment Canada has no concerns with the renewal of the above license except if whether the final removal of the dam will be conducted with the use of machinery.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4639 or by email at lawrence.ignace@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

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