Interim Financial Report

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Project Title: Gulf of Boothia Polar Bear Genetic Mark-Recapture 2015-2017

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Original Project Budget (2015): The initial budget had to be amended after new logistical assessments from PCSP were provided that allowed a better estimate for caching/camp logistical activities.

Item	Funds (\$K)
Fuel purchase	28
Fuel Caching/camp moving activities	176
Fuel drum moving/loading	9
Cabin/base camps set up	1
Field Equipment	9
Survey Helicopters	270
Travel	20
Food&Accommodation	20
Genetic Analyses of Samples	25
Shipping	5.5
HTO assistants	12
Contracted field assistants	25
TOTAL	600.5

Original Proposed Contributions (2015):

Organization	Financial Support 2015/16	In-Kind Contributions
GN, Department of Environment	\$320.5	Personnel time for logistical support, field research, and analyses during 2014 – 2015 FY: Approx. 0.4 PY's
NWMB	\$75	Requested
Environment Canada	\$125	Confirmed
PCSP(in-kind)	\$50 (in-kind)	Requested
NGMP	\$30	requested
TOTAL	600.5	

Revised budget 2015 GB

Item	Funds (\$K)
Fuel purchase	28
Fuel Caching	100
Camp moving activities	56
Fuel drum moving/loading	9
Cabin/base camps set up	1
Field Equipment	9
Survey Helicopters	247.5
Travel	20
Food&Accommodation	20
Genetic Analyses of Samples	25
Shipping	5.5
HTO assistants	12
Contracted field assistants	25
TOTAL	558

Revised contributions

Organization	Financial Support 2015/16	In-Kind Contributions
GN, Department of Environment	\$256.1	Personnel time for logistical support, field research, and analyses during 2014 – 2015 FY: Approx. 0.4 PY's
NWMB	\$75	received
Environment Canada	\$150	requested
PCSP(in-kind)	\$77.5 (in-kind)	received
TOTAL	558.6	

Explanation of Changes:

- As mentioned above, after the GN had budget meetings and PCSP provided up-dated analyses of fuel caching and camp activities that required the original budget to be revised
- (1) GN-DOE contribution reduced to \$256.1
- (2) No NGMP support
- (3) Environment Canada contribution increased to 150K
- (4) Unexpected PCSP- in-kind increase to \$77.5K

Financial Report (up to Jan 10 2016)

Budget Item	Budgeted	Disbursed	Variance
Fuel purchase	28,000	25,298.54	+2,701.46
Fuel Caching	100,000	46,298.00	+53,702.00
Camp move	56,000	55,224.00	+776.00
Fuel drum moving/loading	9,000	6,300	+2,700.00
Field Equipment	9,000	0	+9,000.00
Cabin/base camp set up	1,000	0	+1,000.00
Survey Helicopters	247,500	190,210.00	+57,290
Travel	20,000	12,008.42	+7,991.58
Food and Accommodation	20,000	19,167.04	+832.96
Genetic analyses	25,000	0	+25,000
Shipping	5,500	871.15	+4,628.85
HTO field assistants	12,000	9,300.00	+2,700.00
Field assistant contracted biologist	25,000	25,000.00	0
TOTAL (\$)	558,600	389,677.15	168,322.85

All NWMB contribution is planned on being used for caching, helicopter activities, and field equipment. There are still outstanding invoices we are expecting to clear all budget items completely until the FY end.

Balance, if any, to be returned to NWMB:	\$0
Balance, if any, to be carried over:	_\$0

Explanation of Variances:

- (1) Fuel purchase: Observed variance due to fuel prices and associated shipping costs that were somewhat less at this point. May be still outstanding costs.
- (2) Fuel Caching: Observed variance due to still outstanding invoices from PCSP and poor weather which resulted in less flying and caching up to this point.
- (3) Fuel drum loading/moving: Observed variance due to likely still outstanding invoices.
- (4) Field equipment: still expecting invoices until FY end
- (5) Cabin/Base camp set-up: Observed variance resulted from both camps being in better condition than previously assumed since we did not have an opportunity to inspect all camps prior to the start of the field season, and we were efficient in making the camps work with little or no expenditures.
- (6) Survey Helicopter Observed variance due to outstanding invoices within this FY. In addition, bad weather prohibited us from flying the anticipated number of hours.

- (7) Travel, Food & Accommodation: Observed variance resulted from efficient use of funds and flight schedules.
- (8) HTO field assistants: Observed variance due to weather constraints and delays which resulted in having fewer HTO assistants in the field (also for shorter time intervals) with us as initially forecast.
- (9) Genetic analyses: Observed variance results from not having all samples genetically analysed yet final invoice is expected before the FY-end.
- (10) Shipping: Observed variance due to a charter flight from NRCAN that shipped all the food and gear needed instead of using commercial airline.

I certify that this, up to this date, is an accurate statement of the Board project funds received and disbursed in accordance with the joint contribution agreement.

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