### **Nunavut Wildlife Management Board**

Presentation on:

**Community-based Monitoring Network** 

RM002-2014

#### June 16<sup>th</sup> 2014, Cambridge Bay





## Harvest Study 1996-2001

- 28 communities participated, 6018 harvesters
- Data collected on a monthly basis through telephone/in-person interviews
- Data included kill location, sex and age class

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Study

- (2006) A company was hired to review the first harvest study and to undertake a second harvest study
- Some short comings identified in the first study were:
  - Harvester recall
  - Inconsistencies in data collection methods
- June 2010 the NWMB met with co-management partners to discuss options for a way forward

## A New Concept

## Meeting Outcomes

- Significant interest in a 2nd study
- Greater Inuit involvement/communication needed
- Additional information required (e.g. migration patterns, predation, effort, etc.

## The Community Based Monitoring Network (CBMN)

- CBMN relies upon harvesters recognized by their respective communities as highly skilled and accomplished hunters to record wildlife observations and harvests.
- Intent is to help compile information needed to address concerns affecting wildlife management, conservation, and Inuit harvesting rights.

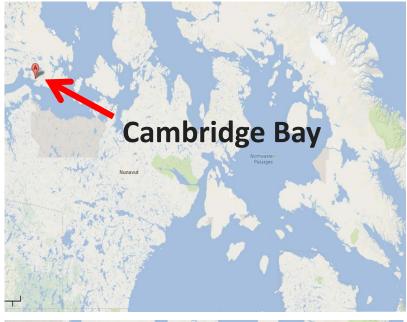




## Location

 Data collection started in January 2012 in 3 Communities









#### **Community-Based Monitoring Network Database**



## **CBMN Mobile Application**

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- Tri-lingual (English, Inuktitut, Inuinnaqtun)
- Wildlife Harvests
- Wildlife Observations
- Photos (geo-tagged)

Output data files

- Recording of audio files (traditional knowledge)
- Automatic documentation of travel routes (internal GPS)

### Data tables for trips, harvests and observations

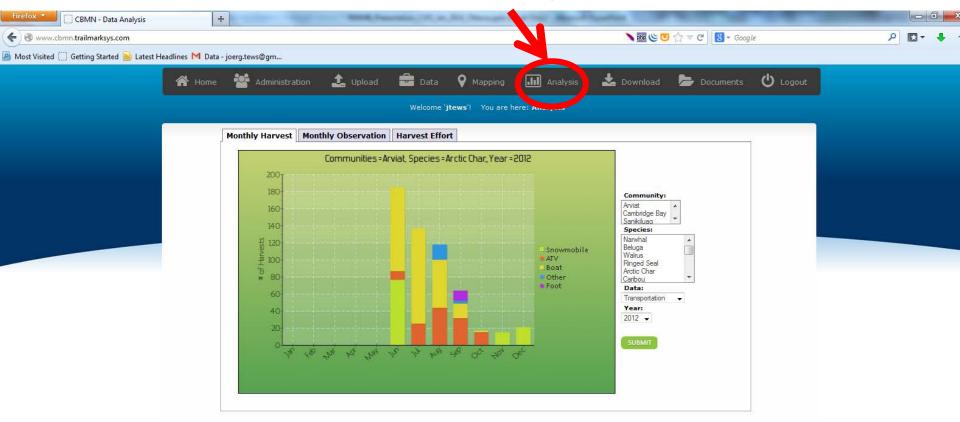
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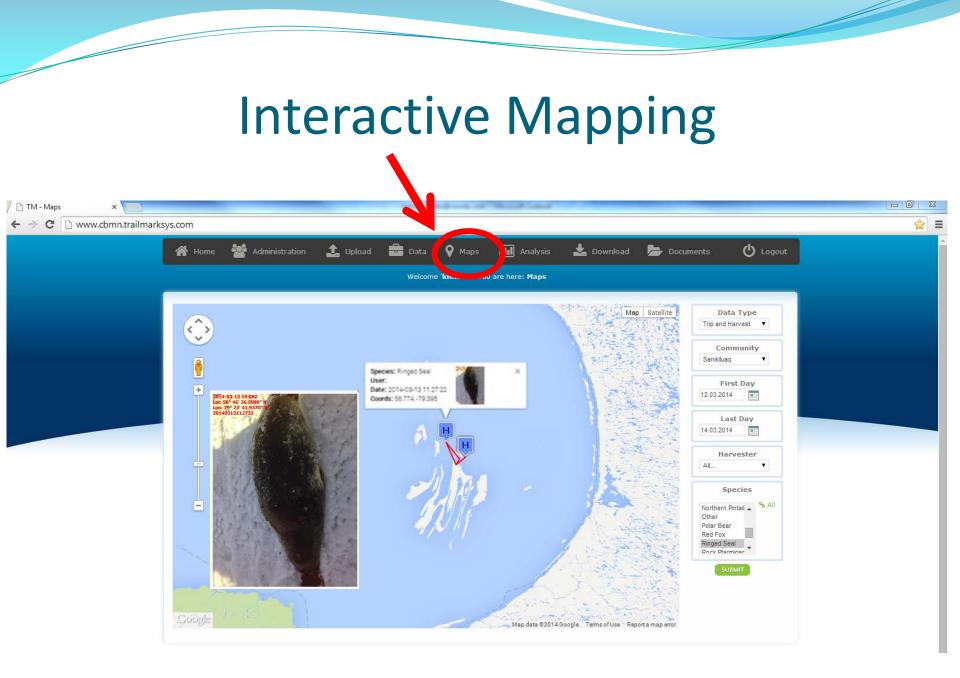
#### **Example: Harvest Summary Table for Cambridge Bay, 2013**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Arctic Char	0	0	0	20	0	257	2,724	1,669	28	28	0	0	4,726
Arctic Fox	2	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	3	0	29
Red Fox	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Wolf	0	0	4	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	21
Wolverine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Caribou	0	0	0	0	9	6	4	10	11	15	41	0	96
Moose	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Muskox	19	0	17	1	0	0	0	5	0	6	2	0	50
Grizzly Bear	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Polar Bear	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Beluga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Narwhal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ringed Seal	0	0	1	0	1	17	0	2	9	0	3	1	34
Walrus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	4	0	49	43	0	4	1	0	1	0	102
Rock Ptarmigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	0	0	22
Cod	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1
Harbour Seal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	2
Harp Seal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0	3
Total	21	8	29	21	68	323	2,728	1,691	<b>49</b>	87	57	11	5,093

### **Data Analysis**

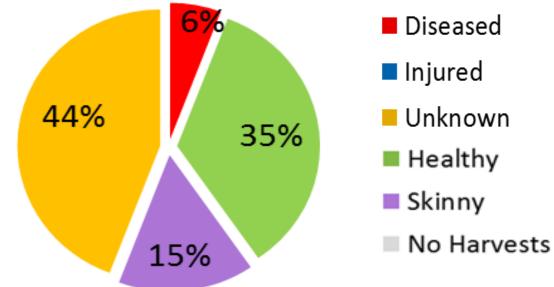




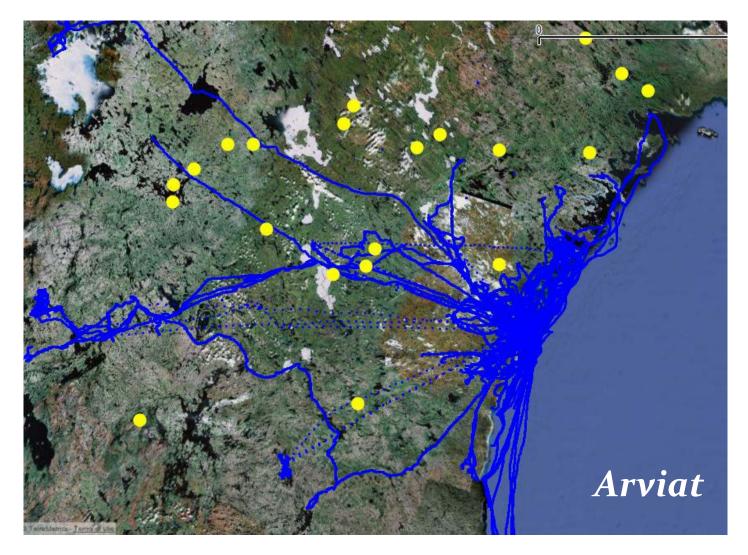


### **Example: Population Health**

Physical condition of harvested caribou in Arviat in February 2012



#### **Documentation for Traditional Use and Land Use Issues**



Hunting travel routes and current exploration and mining sites (yellow dots).

### Feedback from Community Participants

- Overall feedback from community participants has been positive.
- 100% of current participants stated that if the CBMN is to be extended they would continue to participate
- Participants have provided many suggestions on ways to improve the CBMN



## Participant Comments - Sanikiluaq

- "This will be very useful for monitoring movements"
- "A worthwhile project"
- "It is interesting technology and I enjoy being able to work with other hunters"
- "MESAs are good and easy to use, to transport and to take pictures"



### Participant Comments - Cambridge Bay

- "I think it is great for future studies, like how animals migrate"
- "Getting information for the community is what we need. It's something that should have been done long before"
- "I'm glad to share my knowledge about wildlife"
- "It is good to know what we are harvesting and at what time of year"



### Participant Comments - Arviat

- "Our participation in the study will help to improve the understanding about the wildlife"
- "Our feedback is important to future generations"
- "We are making a difference because the information collected comes right from the hunter"



## Questions or Comments?



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