

Protecting Caribou and their Habitat

Workshop Purpose and Ground Rules

Purpose:

The Purpose of the workshop “*Protecting Caribou and their Habitat*” is to bring together Inuit hunters, community members, wildlife scientists and wildlife managers to share and discuss current scientific and traditional knowledge on the effects of disturbance caused by human land-use activities on barren-ground caribou and suggest recommendations on how to effectively manage and/or protect caribou habitat in Nunavut for the long-term sustainability of the species. The information heard at the workshop may be used by the NWMB to assist the Board in performing its functions related to the management and protection of caribou and caribou habitat.

Workshop Ground Rules:

1. The workshop is designed to provide an opportunity for those with expertise and interest in caribou to share their experience and knowledge about the effects of disturbance caused by human land-use activities on barren-ground caribou and is not a forum for promoting or advancing a formal party / department / organization’s political position. In other words, we are hoping to foster open-minded and innovative discussion!
2. Respecting one another is at the core of success for this workshop. Each voice and perspective is understood to be equal.
3. Discussion is encouraged. Any participant may ask relevant questions of any other participant at the workshop.
4. We request that you raise your hand and wait for acknowledgement from the facilitators prior to speaking.
5. The workshop is limited to two days. Accordingly, the facilitators may place reasonable time limits on presentations, statements and questions.
6. Simultaneous English and Inuktitut translation will be ongoing at the workshop, to the extent reasonably possible. For this reason, we ask that you speak slowly.
7. The NWMB will make publicly available a summary of the discussions at the workshop in a final workshop report. Notes will be taken throughout the workshop and we request that you state your name before you speak. You will have the opportunity to review draft workshop notes. You will have the opportunity to speak anonymously such that comments do not need to be associated with the speakers.