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## NWMB INTERIM PROJECT REPORT - 2010 Kugluktuk Harvesters Calendar

- 1. PROJECT NUMBER: NWSF Project # 250-10-04
- 2. PROJECT TITLE: 2010 Kugluktuk Harvesters Calendar
- 3. SUMMARY: To produce and distribute a hunters/harvesters calendar which will be used to collect harvesting data from local hunters and trappers, especially want to know how much caribou the hunters are harvesting during the year.
- 4. INTRODUCTION: This project was something that the Kugluktuk HTO needed to do to start collecting data on how many animals and fish, especially caribou that hunters/trappers were harvesting throughout the year. This data would assist us in knowing what animals the harvesters were hunting and which time of year and how much.
- 5. PROJECT OBJECTIVES: To produce and distribute a harvesters calendar to local hunters and trappers in order to collect data on number of animals and fish harvested. To records species, age, sex, location of harvesting, sighting/strike/kill, hunter and other observations.
- 6. Materials and Methods:
  - Collected hunting photos from local members to use on the calendar.
  - Have a calendar printed and distributed throughout the community to local hunters.
  - Collect the calendars at the end of the previous month or at the beginning of the next month.
  - Create a data base for data input in excel.
  - Hire a student or youth to collect the data sheets and enter data onto database.
  - Create a incentive program so hunters can use the calendars.
- 7. RESULTS: A calendar was put together using Akhaliak Office Products & Supplies Ltd. The calendars were late in being printed on time, and only arrived in June 2010. The calendar was distributed throughout the community to local hunters, with a note attached as to how to use the calendar, also announcements were made over the radio about the program. During the summer, Kugluktuk HTO had hired summer students, and these students were used to distribute the calendars to households.

It's been a bit trying to get hunters to use the calendars, they forget or are not used to taking data down, and we are reminding them to use them regularly. There are hunters who are good

and use them all the time, and bring in their calendars to the HTO on a regular basis. We decided to do an incentive program to get hunters to use the calendars, and we would do a draw in the middle of each month for those hunters who returned their calendars to the HTO for that month. The draws may be for a stove, lamp, fishnets or other small camping gear. This brought in more calendars.

Also in July 2010, a youth, Dettrick Hala, was hired through the KEDC Youth Experience Program for (1) year, and we used the youth to create the database with the help from NWMB, Rebecca Jensen, who assisted in the database creation.

- 8. DISCUSSION: How can we increase usage of this calendar? And do we want to continue for the next few years, and this time, being more prepared? These are questions that I want to ask the board during our next meeting.
- 9. MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS: I believe this is and will be a very good program to continue, and it being our first year in trying this, we can do better in the next year(s) programs in publicizing it to the local hunters. If we start earlier in creating the next calendar and holding public meetings to state how important this program will and can be for us, as a community, and as an HTO. We could be gathering important information as to how many regular hunters we have, what they are hunting in certain times of the year, what they aren't hunting and why?
- 10. REPORTING TO COMMUNITIES/RESOURCE USERS: Would like to hold a public meeting to promote this calendar for the next couple of months, to find out if we should continue and if hunters are willing to assist us with the program. At the end of the program, which is March 31, 2011, we would like to do a report on what we've covered, how the program worked (or didn't work), and this can assist us in educating the youth and other harvesters on the importance of database collection.

## 11. REFERENCE:

• Project Income Statement from April 01, 2010 to January 29, 2010

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Attachment