



Ben Kovic, Chair
Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0

February 2, 2015

Re: Hall Beach Request to transfer Polar Bear credits: Gulf of Boothia

The Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board held a full board teleconference on Friday, January 30, 2015. An item discussed on this call was the request brought forward by the Hall Beach HTA. The HTA board passed a resolution requesting to use 1 male credit for use in the current polar bear harvesting year. This resolution was passed on January 3, 2015, and has been attached to this letter.

This request was forward to the Department of Environment, Government of Nunavut on January 7, 2015. In a letter dated January 16, 2015, the Department of Environment confirmed that the Hall Beach HTA did have an available credit for use.

The Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board discussed this matter and unanimously supported this request.

Therefore, Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board is requesting the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board to consider this request, with the full support of QWB.

Thank you,

J. Qillaq
James Qillaq, Chair
Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board

cc: Hall Beach HTA
Mike Harte, Department of Environment GN.

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Hall Beach Hunters' and Trappers' Association

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Regarding Gulf of Boothia Credits

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Motion No. 03-01-15

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Moved by Jopie Kaernerker

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Seconded by Peter Siakuluk

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Chairman Manasie Naullaq

Whereas,
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Beach HTA to request 1 male polar bear tag from our credit and be approved by the
HTA boards.

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Date: January 7, 20 15

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Mike Harte
Polar Bear Harvest Technician
Department of Environment
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Ministère de l'Environnement

January 16, 2015

James Qillaq
Chairman
Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board
Hall Beach, Nunavut

RE: REQUEST FROM HALL BEACH HTA FOR ONE (1) MALE POLAR BEAR CREDIT FOR THE GULF OF BOOTHIA (GB) POLAR BEAR SUBPOPULATION

Dear Mr. Qillaq,

This letter is in response to the request made by the Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association (HTA) for polar bear credit use in the 2014/2015 harvest season.

On January 7th 2015, the Hall Beach HTA submitted a written request to draw one (male) polar bear credit from the Gulf of Boothia polar bear subpopulation to increase their 2014/2015 allocation.

I can confirm that the community of Hall Beach currently has 1.75 male credits available. Hall Beach has harvested responsibly from GB over the past several years. Credits were used in the 2013/2014 season to increase their total allowable harvest from 4 (3 males: 1 female) to 7 (5:2), however, only 6 bears (4:2) were harvested. No over-harvest resulting in a reduction has been observed in the past 14 harvest seasons for the GB subpopulation by Hall Beach.

If the Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association is granted the use of 1 (male) credit for the 2014/2015 season, it would raise their quota from currently 4 (3 males: 1 female) to a total of 5 (4:1) bears.

If the QWB supports this request, it must be presented to the NWMB for decision as soon as possible if the community is to use the requested tag by the end of the current harvest season.

Sincerely,

Mike Harte

CC: Regional Manager, B. Panipakoocho
Manager Wildlife Research, L. Orman
Polar Bear Biologist, M. Dyck