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**RE: Request for an Update on Nicholls Applied Management’s Socio-Economic Assessment for Caribou Range Planning in Northwest Alberta, and to Support your Assessment.**

Dear Mr. Shewchuk:

Northwest Species at Risk Committee (NWSAR) comprises several municipalities in Northwest Alberta; through a Voting and Associate member structure. Over the course of our Committee’s existence we have been heavily involved and focused on the Boreal Caribou file in Northwest Alberta. We are a solutions-based group and are keen to support all relevant processes towards understanding the northwestern caribou ranges better, including the socio-economic values which could be impacted by Caribou Range Planning.

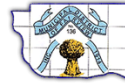
During several meetings with Alberta Environment and Parks we have been encouraged to support the socio-economic assessment being completed by Nicholls Applied Management, by directly providing community-level data to you. Our administration received little information when they contacted you last year for an update on your progress and for information on the datasets, you require from us.

NWSAR requests that Nicholls Applied Management provide us with a detailed update on your progress, the data you have gathered and are using to conduct the





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socio-economic assessment for the northwestern caribou ranges, and that you allow us to support your assessment process by specifying what datasets are required from our municipalities to complete your comprehensive socio-economic assessment.

Depending upon the level of detail you require from us for your assessment, NWSAR may require some time to gather information which is not readily available. To this end, we'd appreciate a timely response to this request.

Please do not hesitate to contact us to further discuss this matter and for additional information.

Yours Sincerely,

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Chair, NWSAR Committee  
Councillor, Mackenzie County

Crystal McAteer  
Vice Chair, NWSAR Committee  
Mayor, Town of High Level

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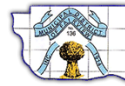
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