

ANNUAL REPORT

Under section 16(1) of the *Species at Risk (NWT) Act*, the Conference of Management Authorities (Conference) must submit an annual report to the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) by September 30 each year. The 2010-2011 Annual Report covers the fiscal year ending March 31, 2011.

THE SPECIES AT RISK (NWT) ACT

The *Species at Risk (NWT) Act* (the Act) provides a process to identify, protect and recover species at risk in the Northwest Territories (NWT). The Act applies to any wild animal, plant or other species that is managed by the Government of the Northwest Territories. It applies everywhere in the NWT, on both public and private lands, including private lands owned under a land claims agreement.



Peregrine Falcon - Photo Credit: Gordon Court

PROGRESS APRIL 1, 2010 TO MARCH 31, 2011

The Conference of Management Authorities held three meetings during the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The Dehcho First Nations, Akaitcho Territory Government and Northwest Territory Métis Nation were informed on all processes regarding these meetings. The Conference gave its approval for these groups to be participants in future Conference meetings.



Polar Bear - Photo Credit: Robert Mulders



Hairy Rockcress - Photo Credit: Jim Harris



Wood Bison - Photo Credit: Lee Keary/ENR

The Conference accomplished the following tasks:

- Developed Rules of Conduct and Operating Procedures;
- Established a subcommittee to oversee the new Species at Risk Stewardship Program; and
- Approved the 2012-2016 assessment schedule, submitted by the Species at Risk Committee, which identifies 19 species to be assessed over the next five years. The schedule will be reviewed and amended annually.

Details on the assessment schedule and other Conference activities are available on the new NWT Species at Risk website: www.nwt-speciesatrisk.ca.

The Conference of Management Authorities has not yet completed any consensus agreements.



THE CONFERENCE OF MANAGEMENT AUTHORITIES

The Conference, established under the Act, is made up of the wildlife co-management boards and governments in the NWT that share responsibility for the conservation and recovery of species at risk in the NWT (Management Authorities). The Conference builds consensus among Management Authorities on the conservation of species at risk and provides direction, coordination and leadership with respect to the assessment, listing, conservation and recovery of species at risk while respecting the roles and responsibilities of Management Authorities under land claim and self-government agreements.

The Management Authorities are:

- Wildlife Management Advisory Council (NWT);
- Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board;
- Sahtu Renewable Resources Board;
- Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board;
- Tłı̨chǫ Government;
- Government of Canada; and
- Government of the Northwest Territories.

Each Management Authority may have three representatives attend Conference meetings. The representatives are not required to be the same for every meeting.

The Conference develop consensus agreements on listing species at risk, conservation measures, management strategies and recovery plans.

CONTACT

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Respectfully submitted,



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