Mackenzie Valley Review Board

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RE: Notification pursuant to s. 79 of the *Species at Risk Act (SARA)*
Project: Cantung Closure, North American Tungsten Corporation Ltd.

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (the Review Board) is undertaking an environmental assessment of North American Tungsten Corporation Ltd.'s proposed Cantung Closure, located in the Mackenzie Mountains, near the Nahanni National Park Reserve.

Under subsection 79(1) of the *Species at Risk Act*, the Review Board must notify the competent minister or ministers in writing of the project if it is likely to affect a listed wildlife species or its critical habitat.

Based on the location of the proposed Cantung Closure, the nature of the proposed activities and the developer's submissions to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board to date[1], the Review Board notes that this development has the potential to affect the following species listed under the *Species at Risk Act* (and possibly others that may be determined by Environment and Climate Change Canada):

[1] See the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board's registries for the water licence and the land use permit applications.

Species	SARA List
Collared Pika	Special Concern
Grizzly Bear	Special Concern
Little Brown Myotis	Endangered
Northern Mountain Caribou	Special Concern
Northern Myotis	Endangered
Wolverine	Special Concern
Bank Swallow	Threatened
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Common Nighthawk	Special Concern
Horned Grebe	Special Concern
Lesser Yellowlegs	Under Consideration
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Special Concern
Red-necked Phalarope	Special Concern
Rusty Blackbird	Special Concern
Short-billed Dowitcher	Under Consideration
Short-eared Owl	Special Concern
Snowy Owl	Under Consideration
Bull Trout	Special Concern
Gypsy Cuckoo Bumble Bee	Endangered
McKay's Bumble Bee	Special Concern
Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee	Under Consideration

Transverse Lady Beetle	Special Concern

During this environmental assessment, the Review Board asks that Environment and Climate Change Canada assist it in determining the likelihood of adverse effects from the proposed project on these species or their critical habitats. Please also indicate if any other species merit special consideration or shall be removed from this list during this environmental assessment.

Relevant information about this environmental assessment is on the Cantung Closure public registry.

Please direct any questions to Clémentine Bouche, Environmental Assessment Advisor, and Simon Toogood, Senior Environmental Assessment Advisor.

Sincerely,

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