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Mr. David H. Searle, B.A., LL.B.
Council Member, Yellowknife Electoral District
The Council of the Northwest Territories
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. Searle:

We would like to bring to your attention, and through you to the attention of the Council of the Northwest Territories, the deplorable condition of the Ingraham Trail which leads to the Prelude Lake campsite and the Cameron River area. Besides the danger of the poor surface, it is also so dusty that it is extremely hazardous to drive on. We would request that some immediate action be taken to remedy this.

In addition there is the problem of security and fire protection at the campsites themselves. When the Federal authorities had control of the campsites, namely Prelude Lake, they had a resident member of their Forestry staff in charge at all times. He registered campers and controlled the area for security and fire protection. This year there have been twenty-six fires in the Ingraham Trail area, several on the shore of Prelude Lake which could have destroyed a beautiful recreation site. There have been instances of careless shooting in camp areas, theft and rowdiness.

It would appear that separate areas should be alloted to the various people using the campsite, i.e. campers (who pay a fee), picnickers, partiers and casual visitors. Some action to correct these inadequacies and abuses would be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Campers and Cottage Owners Ingraham Trail Area

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