



Government of
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ORAL QUESTION 1224-19(2): Court Decision Regarding Search of the Łutsël K'é Camp

This letter is in follow up to the questions you raised on October 25, 2022 regarding the quashed search warrant and search of the Łutsël K'é Dene First Nation camp on Timber Bay.

As stated in the Legislative Assembly, I have sent a letter to Chief Marlowe of Łutsël K'é Dene First Nation to plan a face-to-face meeting to discuss collaborative barren-ground caribou management. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) will work with Łutsël K'é Dene First Nation to identify a date for this meeting to occur. ENR and the Łutsël K'é Dene First Nation have a long history of working together on barren-ground caribou management, along with other Indigenous governments, Indigenous organizations, Renewable Resource Boards and other wildlife co-management partners.

I am happy to meet with you separately to discuss the ongoing collaborative efforts between ENR and Łutsël K'é Dene First Nation to support conservation and recovery efforts for the Bathurst and other barren-ground caribou herds.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Thompson'.

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