

**COMPENDIUM OF RESEARCH IN THE
WESTERN NORTHWEST
TERRITORIES
1996-1997**



**Including: Scientific Licences, Archaeology Permits, Wildlife Permits
and Fisheries Permits**



**AURORA RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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About the Aurora Research Institute

The Science Institute of the Northwest Territories (SINT) was created by the NWT Legislative Assembly in 1984. In 1995, the SINT divided and merged with the Aurora College in western NWT and the Nunavut Arctic College in eastern NWT. The Science Institute West was renamed the Aurora Research Institute (ARI) in the spring of 1996.

ARI's mandate is to improve the quality of life for western NWT residents by applying scientific, technological and indigenous knowledge to solve northern problems and advance social and economic goals.

ARI is responsible for:

- ▶ licensing and coordinating research in accordance with the NWT *Scientists Act*. This includes work in the physical, social and biological sciences and in traditional knowledge.
- ▶ promoting communication between scientists and the people of the communities in which they work;
- ▶ promoting public awareness of the importance of science, technology and indigenous knowledge;
- ▶ fostering a scientific community within the NWT which recognizes and uses the traditional knowledge of northern aboriginal people;
- ▶ making scientific knowledge available to the people of the NWT;
- ▶ supporting or conducting research which contributes to the social, cultural and economic prosperity of the people of the NWT.

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Foreward

The Compendium of Research is an important part of the Aurora Research Institute's efforts to keep northerners and other researchers informed of research activities in the western Northwest Territories. By participating in the research licensing requirements for the north, researchers ensure that their research information is accessible to all those who need to be informed and others who may be interested in these activities. The sharing of this information allows for greater involvement of northerners in the development of research programs that are pertinent to the needs of the north. This information also enables researchers to work collaboratively on related issues.

The need for scientific and technological knowledge and development for northern environments is increasingly recognized by the people, the governing agencies and the private sector of the Northwest Territories. Training in these areas is critical to allow for adaptation to the rapidly changing social and economic structure of the North. ARI actively promotes partnerships with community groups, government agencies, and private sector organizations in order to identify research needs and strategies to meet these needs. Researchers are also partners in these endeavours.

Through the research licencing and permitting requirements, aboriginal organizations and community groups have input into the research that is conducted and are kept informed of current and proposed research in their region. ARI in cooperation with researchers assist in training community members to participate in research projects within and outside their communities.

Researchers make a valuable contribution to the north as they provide information and education through schools and community presentations, and they also provide employment and training opportunities. There are an increasing number of partnerships and cooperative programs being developed with researchers and the people of the north. By sharing this information the people of north are able to help in shaping the future direction of research in their region.

The Aurora Research Institute works to connect the scientific community with the communities of the Northwest Territories by promoting and supporting studies which improve the understanding of the natural resources and indigenous knowledge and cultures of the NWT. The Compendium of Research is one means in which scientific and traditional knowledge is made available to people of the NWT.

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About This Book

This Compendium is a summary of research licences/permits that were issued in the western Northwest Territories during 1996 and 1997. A separate Compendium, that includes licences/permits for Nunavut, can be acquired through the Nunavut Research Institute in Iqaluit. The information contained in this book is a collaboration between the Aurora Research Institute (ARI), the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre (PWNHC), the Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development (RWED) and the Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO). The section for RWED also includes information on Wildlife research permits issued for Nunavut. The Compendium series began in 1986.

LICENSING IN THE NWT

Under territorial legislation, all research in the NWT requires a licence/permit from one of four agencies, depending on the type of research being conducted:

- ▶ Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre - Archaeology
- ▶ Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development, Government of the Northwest Territories - Wildlife
- ▶ Aurora Research Institute - All other research in the western NWT
- ▶ Nunavut Research Institute - All other research in Nunavut

Included in this Compendium are Fisheries Research projects conducted by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans staff. Other researchers conducting fisheries research are required to have a Science Licence and are included in this section of the Compendium. In addition to one of these licences/permits there may be other permits required depending on the nature of the research work.

Through the licensing process, researchers are informed of appropriate organizations, communities and other licensing/permitting agencies that should be contacted prior to conducting studies. Licensing ensures research activities are communicated to interested parties and provides opportunities for the exchange of information.

Although the Compendium is a summary of all licences/permits issued in the western NWT by all three licensing/permitting bodies, it is not a list of actual research conducted. Verification and additional information should be requested from the researcher.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

This book is divided into two parts. Part I describes the research activities for 1996 and Part II describes research activities for 1997. In each part there are four main sections. Each of these sections reflect a specific licencing agency and type of licence/permit issued. Within each section research descriptions have been grouped by subject, and listed alphanumerically by the principal researcher's last name. Refer to the Table of Contents for the specific page each section and/or subject area begins on.

1. Reference Number

The reference numbers shown in each of the Aurora Research Institute's subject areas refer to the file number issued to a particular researcher. It allows cross referencing with research material that may be available on file or in the ARI library. The reference numbers of the other two agencies refers directly to the permit number given to each researcher. When requesting information from any of these agencies on specific research outlined in this compendium please refer to the reference number in your correspondence.

2. Regional Abbreviations

Throughout the book reference is given to the specific land claim region(s) that the research took place in. The regions are shown in Figure 1. Some of the land claim regions are still under negotiation and boundaries shown are only approximations. The abbreviations shown for each region are as follows:

DC	Deh Cho	SS	South Slave
NS	North Slave	SA	Sahtu
IN	Inuvik (includes Gwich'in and Inuvialuit Settlement regions)		

3. Index

At the back of this book, you will find a index. This has been developed to help the reader cross reference material more easily. The numbers listed in the index refer to the number listed with each research description, not page number.

AVAILABLE IN PRINT OR ON DISKETTE

The Compendium is available as a printed publication, on diskette or is available on the Aurora Research Institute Web site. The Web site can be found at www.auresint.nt.ca. The diskette version is in a WordPerfect format and has limited search capabilities. Contact the ARI for further information regarding search capabilities and services. Both the printed publication and the diskette are available from the Aurora Research Institute. We highly encourage photocopying of the printed publication to promote its distribution.

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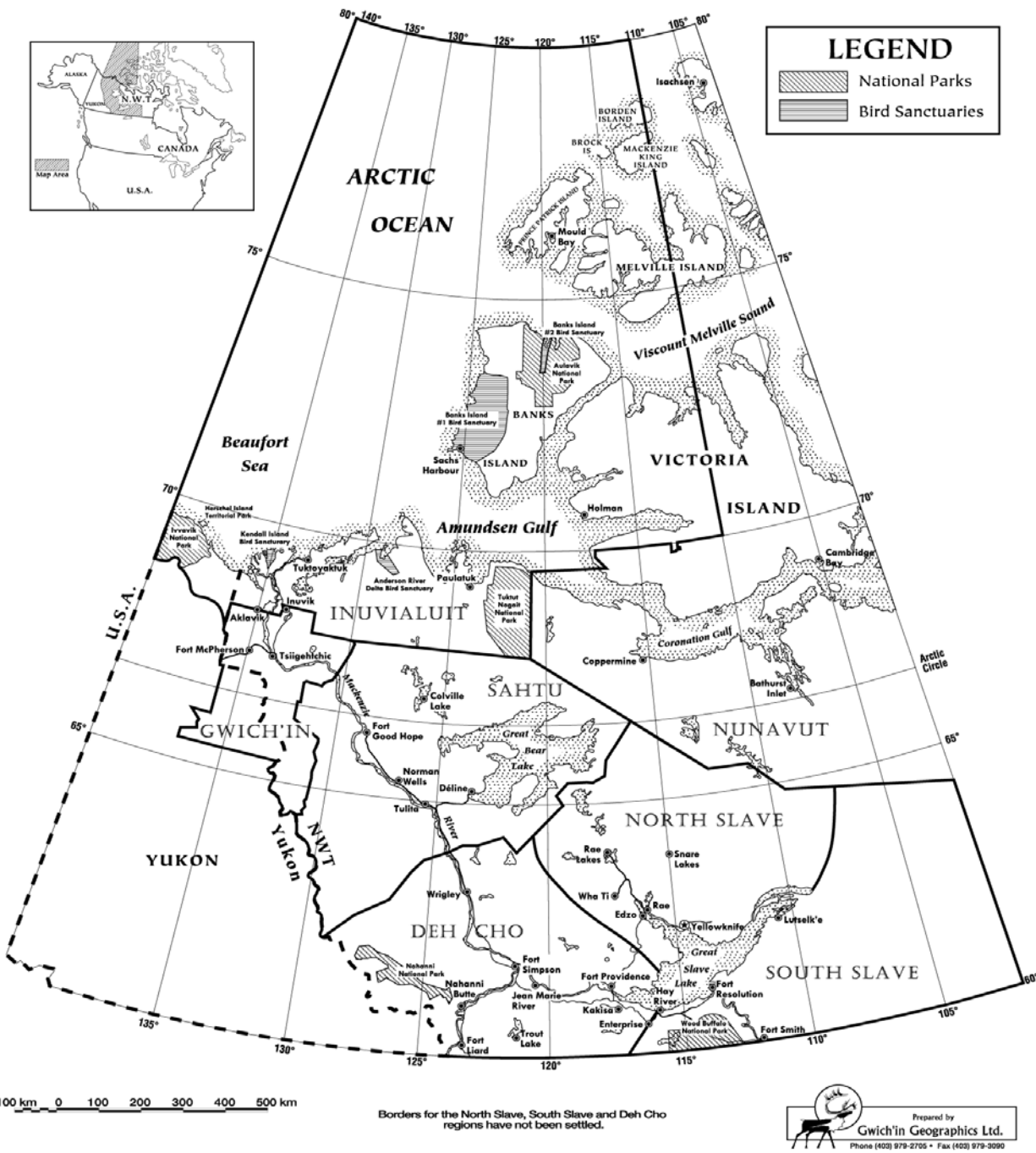
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Whether you are a researcher or an interested member of the public, the Aurora Research Institute welcomes your comments and suggestions about the Compendium. Contact us by mail, fax or telephone.

Figure 1 Land claim regions in the Northwest Territories



1996 Research Projects

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Science Licences

Biology

001 Biology

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Reference No: 12 402 588 (ARI)

Region: SS Location: Fort Smith region, near Wood Buffalo National Park and Slave River

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Ruthann Gal

A Fire History, Fuel and Ecological Assessments of the Fort Smith, NWT Area

The study area was sampled on a 2x2 km grid. The vegetation type of the area in question was predominantly jack pine. At each 2 km interval, three procedures were done; (1) plant identification, (2) percentage cover of each species in approximately 100 m. sq., and (3) a tally of the fuels (logs, twigs, branches) that fell along a triangular transect. Discs were removed from one large unscarred tree and one scarred tree for fire event dating and for correlation with weather data.

002 Biology

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Region: IN Location: Husky Lakes and southern Liverpool Bay

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Chemical Investigation of Marine Invertebrates from Husky Lakes

The researcher collected invertebrates, algae, and microorganisms with the use of SCUBA, plankton nets, bottom dredges, and intertidal collection. The goal of this research was to identify the different species present, where most were situated, and what were the best conditions for them to grow in. Marine invertebrates and algae were collected from 33 sites in the near shore waters of the Eskimo Lakes, Northwest Territories, in August, 1996 for chemical investigation by the Institute for Marine BioSciences (NRC, Halifax, NS). A characterisation of shallow water ecosystems of the area was also gained by the work, which supplements the more intensive ecological surveys carried out along the bottom by Wacasey in the early 1970's from a boat.

003 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Lupin Mine area, Contwoyto Lake

Year of Research: 1996

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1996 Field Evaluation of Aquatic Effects Monitoring Methods to Determine Mining Effects

The AETE program was established to conduct field and laboratory evaluations and comparisons of selected environmental effects monitoring (EEM) technologies for assessing impacts of mine-effluents on the aquatic environment. In 1996, building upon previous work completed in 1995, the AETE Program sponsored preliminary field evaluations of aquatic effects monitoring at seven candidate mine sites. The sites were chosen to be representative of mine sites across the country. The purpose of the survey was to provide information that would be useful in creating recommendations for a national mining EEM program. As part of this program, a field survey was conducted at the Echo Bay Lupin Mine in the NWT. Field studies were conducted in September and water, sediment, and benthos samples were collected. Water and sediment samples were analysed for conventional and physical parameters, total and dissolved metals. Concentrations of some metals were in sediments from exposure sites than from reference sites, but there was no difference in the abundance or diversity of benthos (Bottom-dwelling animals) between exposure and reference sites. Neither effluent quality nor receiving environment water quality during discharge could be assessed. Data from the mine indicated that the effluent is not acutely toxic, nor are permit limits exceeded. Three fish species (lake trout, round whitefish, lake cisco) were collected in sufficient numbers in both reference and exposure areas to be considered potential sentinel species. Overall, the exposure and reference areas were found suitable for future studies by the AETE Program.

004 Biology

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Region: IN Location: Shingle Point, Coney Lake, outer Mackenzie River Delta, & Mackenzie River (Aklavik)

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: K. Howland, I. McLeod, M. Cockney, C. Chetkiewicz

Inconnu Anchor Tagging and Radio Tagging Migratory Study

A total of thirty-four inconnu were fitted with radio transmitters at four different locations. Fourteen inconnu were fitted with transmitters at Shingle Point, five in the outer delta, five in the Peel River, and ten in the Arctic Red River. Transmitters had a battery life of one year and fish were tracked primarily with fixed wing aircraft. All of the Shingle Point inconnu which were located remained on the coast in 1996. All inconnu which were biologically sampled at Shingle Point were found to be current-year spawners. In 1997, one Shingle Point inconnu was located in the Peel River, while seven others remained on the coast. One potential spawning area was located in the Peel River. Inconnu radio-tagged in the Arctic Red River divided into two groups. One group continued to Arctic Red River and then up the Mackenzie River to the Rampart rapids. The Rampart rapids is a probable inconnu spawning location. Tracking results suggest that inconnu move out of the Peel and Arctic Red Rivers after spawning. Tracking results also indicate that inconnu which presumably spawned at the Rampart rapids in the Mackenzie River move downstream after spawning.

005 Biology

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Reference No: 12 402 588 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Fish Hole on Fish Creek

Year of Research: 1996

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Rat River / Fish Creek Fish Hole Spring Reconnaissance

The study examined the location and extent of suitable overwintering habitat for charr in the Rat River. Another objective was to document the location of spring upwellings at the overwintering site on Fish Creek. Knowledge of winter flow and temperature regimes of the spring and the effect of air temperature on the availability of overwintering habitat will provide managers with some ability to predict environmentally caused fluctuations in the populations.

006 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Bluefish Hydro Electric Plant, Yellowknife River

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: D. Knapik

Fish Habitat Study in Water Course from Bluefish Hydro Dam to Bluefish Trailrace

Field work was done on September 13 and 14, 1996. Physical stream characteristics, water quality, fish habitat, and flows were measured and observed. Lake trout, lake whitefish, and northern pike were observed in the trailrace. Lake whitefish were observed holding in pools both days in the Yellowknife River upstream from the confluence to Prosperous Lake. Lake whitefish caught in domestic gill nets set in Prosperous Lake were mature; females were almost ripe, and some males were ripe (pers. comm., G. Bohnet, Prosperous Lake). Water temperature in the river was 13°C; and spawning was likely to have occurred within two to three weeks, depending on the water temperature. Two sites on the Yellowknife River were fished and lake whitefish, northern pike, and lake chub were observed in the river. Four fish species were caught by gill net, including grayling and longnose sucker.

007 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Indin Lake area (Colomac area)

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: staff of Vista Engineering and Renewable Resource & Environment Committee of the Dogrib Dene

Environmental Baseline Program Colomac Area (Indin Lake), N.W.T.

The program included seven aspects of research. Water quality was measured through a number of sampling locations at different times of the year. A hydrology study measured high water discharge and stage measurements at seven streams in the vicinity of the proposed all-weather road. Bathymetric surveys were conducted on Lex Lake and six smaller un-named lakes in the vicinity of the proposed road. Sampling of sediments in key lakes in the study area were done, and eight streams were surveyed in order to document fish habitat and utilization. Baseline data was also collected on fish species composition, relative abundance, age, size, and habitat of principle lakes in the vicinity of the road. A preliminary review was conducted to observe heritage resources in the study area. Two elders from the Treaty 11 Renewable Resource Environmental Committee, with the assistance of an interpreter, were hired for this preliminary purpose. No archeological excavation or specimen removal was conducted during this program. A literature review of relevant environmental documentation concerning wildlife, vegetation, geography, traditional knowledge, and climatology was also done.

008 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Koala Watershed, north of Lac de Gras

Year of Research: 1996

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BHP Diamonds Baseline and Long-Term Monitoring Aquatic Studies

The techniques used for the assessment of the fisheries in the Lac de Gras area included small-mesh (1.5 inch) gillnetting, trapnetting (mark-recapture program), minnow-trapping, and electroshocking (backpack model for stream surveys). Most fish were live-released. A select number of fish from each of the lakes and streams were taken (killed) for aging verification (using otoliths), tissue metals concentration, and diet analyses.

009 Biology

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Region: SS Location: Kennedy Lake

Year of Research: 1996

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Kennedy Lake Project - 1996 Aquatic Studies

The field program was conducted during three sampling periods (spring, summer, and fall). Lakes and streams in the immediate area of the potential mine site were examined. Information collected from these water bodies included data on limnology, benthic macro invertebrates, plankton, and fish communities. The fish inventory focussed on determining species composition, distribution, relative abundance, and biological characteristics of captured fish. Tissue samples were also collected from a small number of fish for analyses of background metal concentrations. Sampling techniques included angling, snorkelling, backpack electrofishing, beach seining, minnow traps, and gill netting for fish. Plankton nets and eckman dredges were used to collect plankton, and benthic macro invertebrates. In an attempt to assess movement patterns of lake trout, Arctic grayling, and northern pike in the study area water bodies, fish were tagged with numbered Floy anchor tags

010 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Lac de Gras, Koala Camp

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: J. Kidd (ABR Inc.) and other personnel from ABR Inc. and BHP Diamonds Inc.

NWT Diamonds Project - Revegetation Research

ABR and BHP Diamonds Inc. have initiated several revegetation studies at the Fox portal, Ekati Diamond Mine, to investigate techniques for rehabilitating areas disturbed by mining in the low arctic. Three soil topdressing are being examined: esker sand, lake bottom sediment and organic soil (derived from scraped tundra). To evaluate the soil types, a variety of plant cultivation treatments is being investigated, including shrub cutting and seeding with native-grass cultivars, native forbs, and indigenous species. To expand vegetation options, two plant propagation experiments were started in the summer of 1996. These consisted of transplanting cuttings of five shrub species into pockets of topsoil placed on a waste rock stockpile and transplanting sprigs of the aquatic grass *Arctophila fulva*, (Arctic Pendant Grass) along the margin of a former sedimentation pond. The five shrub species were bearberry, low blueberry willow, alpine azalea, labrador tea, and resin birch. A total of 239 pocket (1195) cuttings were established. Seeds of native plant species were also collected in the Claims Block or near Yellowknife to identify potential candidates for use in reseeded. The species collected were *Epilobium augustifolium*, *Epilobium latifolium*, *Astragalus eucoismus*, *Oxytropis deflexa* and *Hedysarum mackenzii*.

Contaminants

011 Contaminants

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Region: IN, SA Location: Tuktoyaktuk, Sawmill Bay, Shingle Point, Cape Parry, and
Tuktoyaktuk BAR-3

Year of Research: 1996

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Environmental Assessment of the Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk Solid Waste Disposal Area, Saw Mill Bay and Cape Parry, and Cleanup of a Former DEW Line Site, BAR-3 Tuktoyaktuk.

The Environmental Science Group (ESG) was requested by DND and NWSO to conduct environmental investigations of former DEW Line sites and other military bases in the NWT. Personnel collected soil, plant, water, paint chips, and insulating material for analysis of potential contaminants. The results from the Tuktoyaktuk Solid Waste site indicate very little chemical contamination with only a few localised impacted areas within the landfill where there were elevated levels of copper, lead, and zinc. The remediation program of the DEW Line at BAR-3 was successful and no contaminants were found in the soil or water. Four other landfills in Tuktoyaktuk were assessed and found to have limited evidence of chemical contamination. Cleanup plans were developed using the DEW Line Cleanup Protocol. The site of Sawmill Bay has three general areas of Uranium contamination and little contamination by other chemicals. Cleanup recommendations were also based upon the DEW Line Cleanup Protocol. The contamination of site PIN-M at Cape Parry was defined through the collection and analysis of soil and paint samples. Site remediation was carried out according to the Dew Line Cleanup Protocol, and 1400m³ of contaminated soil will be excavated in the summer of 1997.

Fossils

012 Fossils

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Region: SA Location: Little Bear River and Dodo Canyon

Year of Research: 1996

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Palaeontology of the Lower and Middle Cambrian Mount Cap Formation, Western NWT.

A variety of exceptionally well preserved 'soft-bodied' and shelly fossils were collected from Lower and Middle Cambrian (ca. 530-520 million years old) Mount Cap Formation, Mackenzie Mountains during our 1996 field season (July 2-30). These include Burgess Shale-type macro fossils from two localities, one of which is new (Dodo Mountain), and a wide range of associated shelly fossils. Particularly notable were the chancellorids and hyolithids (problematic Cambrian organisms best known from the Burgess Shale), including the first discovery of a fossilised hyolithid gut. Other significant finds include exceptionally preserved muscle strands in lingulid brachiopods, a variety of sponges and trilobites, and the enigmatic conical fossil *Salterella*. Of particular palaeoecological importance was the collection of diverse fossil faecal pellets; such 'trace fossils' provide basic information on how these early animal communities were operating. Approximately 100 samples were also collected for micro fossil analysis, although this work has yet to be carried out. Current collaboration includes geochemical analysis of extracted organic-walled fossils and a taphonomic analysis of the phosphatised muscle tissue. To date, material from the 1996 field season has been presented at three international meetings and is included in several scientific articles currently in preparation.

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Region: DC Location: "MOTH" locality, Mackenzie Mountains

Year of Research: 1996

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Search for Early Devonian Shark Skeletons and Associated Early Devonian Fish Fossils at the 'MOTH' Locality, Mackenzie Mountains, N.W.T.

During July of 1996, an international field party visited a single locality in the Mackenzie Mountains to search for and collect fossils of early fishes. The researchers collected Upper Silurian-Lower Devonian jawed and jawless fish fossils, with priority given to rare articulated specimens. Located specimens were packaged and returned to the University of Alberta for preparation. The rock that encases the 'MOTH' fossils was removed either mechanically, or by treatment with acetic acid so that the fine details were revealed with minimum damage to the fossils. Preliminary study of the samples is helping to date and to correlate the rocks with strata elsewhere in the Mackenzie Mountains, Arctic Canada, and Europe. Fossil specimens recovered include outstanding examples of both jaw-less and jawed vertebrates, including species of early shark-like fishes never seen before. These fossil fish should support years of research for the University of Alberta as well as collaborations with international scientists.

Geology

014 Geology

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Reference No: 12 404 506 (ARI)

Region: NS Location: Gordon Lake, Beniah Lake, and Hearne Lake areas

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Thematic, Structural, Stratigraphic and Geochronological Studies of the Slave Structural Province

The study focussed on the relationships between rocks in the core of the "Sleepy Dragon Complex," The researcher mapped and described the various rock types and assessed their role in northeast of Yellowknife, and the adjacent volcanic and sedimentary rocks

015 Geology

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Reference No: 12 404 525 (ARI)

Region: SS, NS, DC Location: road corridors near Great Slave Lake, Nahanni Butte, Fort Providence, Yellowknife, and Wood Buffalo National Park

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: A. Jones (GSC), Fred Cook (U.of C.), Bill Padgham (DIAND)

Seismic and Electromagnetic Studies of the Earth's Crust: Great Slave Lake to Nahanni Butte

The geology of the region from Great Slave Lake to Nahanni Butte preserves a record of tectonic events that span over half of the earth's history, from the Archean to the Tertiary Periods. From a nucleus northeast of Yellowknife, the North American continent has grown over this enormous time interval (more than 2.5 billion years) by the accretion of crustal material to its western margin. To investigate the nature of these growth margins, and the geometry of crustal blocks at depth, this multi-agency project has undertaken a series of geophysical studies. Using techniques akin to those employed for oil exploration but at a much larger scale, seismic profiles, have provided convincing images of ancient subduction (a process in which slabs of crustal material descended down into the Earth's interior). Coincident electromagnetic studies, which make use of natural variations in the Earth's magnetic field to identify conductive bodies in the crust, provide an alternative perspective on crustal structure. Taken together, these studies are helping to piece together a regional picture of tectonic evolution of western North America.

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Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Valley

Year of Research: 1996

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Active Layer Monitoring Network in the Mackenzie Valley

During June, July, and August 1996, the annual survey of the active layer monitoring system in the Mackenzie Valley was completed from Fort Simpson to the Arctic coast. One site was lost to animal damage on Richards Island, another was restored after the fire at Tulita, as well as a new installation at Saline River. The sites now number 57. Water-filled clear plastic observation tubes record maximum depth of thaw each year while air and ground temperature loggers provide a thermal record at many sites. When possible, sites are close to automatic weather stations and are shared with research groups doing complimentary work. Along this 1400 km transect, active layer thickness varies more as a result of local factors, related to situation, than to regional climate, associated with latitude. Though the spacial variation is complex, over the last four to six years, thaw penetration has increased at many sites over much of the system. In the longer term, measurements from this transect could be used to help model climate change impact on near surface permafrost in this fragile environment.

017 Geology

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Reference No: 12 404 504 (ARI)

Region: NS Location: Indin Lake

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Structure and Stratigraphy of the Indin Lake Greenstone Belt (detailed bedrock mapping)

This was the final summer of work for this phase of mapping in Indin Lake. The mapping data (including structural, petrological, geochemical, and geochronological) enabled a detailed geological history of the project area to be constructed. This included the timing of major events, including volcanism, plutonism and sedimentation, and subsequent deformation. The results were presented in a Ph.D. thesis.

018 Geology

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Region: NS Location: MacNaughton Lake area

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Dr. Tom Chacko

Igneous and Metamorphic Evolution of the Deep Crust of the MacNaughton Lake Area

Examination of the temporal and genetic relationship between metamorphism and granitoid magmatism was achieved through detailed mapping of granite-metasediment contacts to examine the thermal effects of granite intrusion. This relied on a detailed documentation of the mineral assemblages, textures, metamorphic grade, and relative timing of the meta-sedimentary and meta-igneous rocks in the MacNaughton Lakes area. Isotope U-Pb studies of granite and metasediment minerals were used to constrain the absolute timing of the intrusions and metamorphism. Rock samples for this work were collected using a hammer.

019 Geology

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Region: NS Location: Wagenitz Lake area, south-central Slave province

Year of Research: 1996

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Geology of the Wagenitz Lake Area, south-central Slave Province (NTS 85 P/4)

A crew of four people spent eight weeks examining various aspects of rock outcrops between Wagenitz and Rocky Lakes, approximately 70 km north of Yellowknife, and just south of the past-producing Discovery Mine. Numerous rock samples were collected for chemical analysis and to test for economic concentrations of some metals. Most of the area is covered by sedimentary rock that formed from sand and mud at the bottom of an ancient sea about 2.65 billion years ago. Layering in these rocks shows evidence of extensive folding, and specific minerals give indications of the ancient pressures and temperatures that existed when the rocks were folded. The folds are non-continuous and show that the area was subsequently broken (faulted) into kilometre-scale blocks which were shuffled together in the distant past. Sorting out the past configuration of the area was a prime objective of the research, as it gives clues on tracing other geological features such as the nearby gold mineralization. No significant concentrations of gold or other metals were discovered in 1996, but a large area covered by an unusual white rock (termed rhyolitic porphyry) prompted some to speculate its presence may have been related to the nearby gold occurrences.

020 Geology

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Reference No: 12 412 040 (ARI)

Region: SA Location: Mackenzie Mountains near Norman Wells, Fort Norman, and Wrigley

Year of Research: 1996

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Palaeontology and Sedimentology of Late Proterozoic Little Dal Reefs, Mackenzie Mountains, NWT.

This field season was the conclusion of field work on the Little Dal reefs, a spectacular group of ancient reef deposits. Reefs of this age (ca. 800-900 million years, before the advent of multicellular life on earth) are poorly understood relative to their younger counterparts and present a valuable window into an unknown stage in the evolution of early ecosystems. Previous work in the Mackenzies (1991, 1992, 1994) had revealed a complex history to the growth of these reefs and findings in 1996 completed this data base with information regarding the terminal growth and demise of the reefs. This information and its interpretation are described in a paper published in the *Journal of Sedimentary Research (Growth Dynamics of Neoproterozoic Calcimicrobial Reefs, Mackenzie Mountains, Northwest Canada)*. Laboratory-based work now in progress involves analysis of the composition of the reefs and detailed description of their fossil components.

Health

021 Health

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Region: IN, NS, DC

Location: Yellowknife, Fort McPherson, Paulatuk, Tuktoyaktuk, and Sahtu

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Dr. G.W. Thompson

Dental Knowledge of a Group of Northern Canadians 10-15 years olds.

The purpose of this survey was to determine the understanding that a group of 10-15 year-olds living in the Inuvialuit, Gwich'in, and Sahtu districts of the Northwest Territories have regarding the recognition and prevention of periodontal-gingival disease. A total of 953 students completed the survey; the median age being 12.5 years. The results of the survey indicate that an understanding of the disease processes, socio-economic situations, and cultural differences must be taken into consideration if long term improvements in oral health are to be realised.

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Region: SA

Location: K'asho Got'ine (Fort Good Hope)

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Patricia Pierrot

Evaluation of Sources of Vitamin A and Calcium in Traditional and Market Foods in K'asho Got'ine, Northwest Territories

Data collection began with the organization of focus group meetings. A steering committee was formed by five community members to assure the proper functioning of the project in the community. A local project coordinator was hired to help recruit participants for the study, and to translate where necessary. Adults were invited to participate in the study through promotion of the project in the community, as well as home visits. Women were the most likely group to provide information on nutrition, as well as to influence the food intake of the family. Data collection occurred in structured focus group discussions, followed by individual assessment of food preferences during home visits with each participant. Four focus groups were conducted in March and June 1996. Two groups of 10 individuals were formed and each group participated in discussions on both vitamin A and calcium separately. An additional discussion group was conducted at the end of the study (January 1997) to discuss the results of the analysis, and the appropriateness of the food-items selected for potential promotion in the community.

Physical Sciences

023 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Richards Island (Illisarvik), Garry Island

Year of Research: 1996

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Investigation of Ground Ice Development in Sediments of the Mackenzie Delta Area.

In 1996, investigations of ground ice conditions at Illisarvik on Richards Island were continued. A series of benchmarks were installed to monitor how the ground deforms around ice wedges as they expand and contract each year. These benchmarks were installed in June, and surveyed in September and November. Thermistor cables were also installed to determine how the temperature at the ground surface and at the top of the permafrost changes as air temperature varies over the year. Data collection continued on how growing season conditions change with the distance from the coast. Finally, a project was initiated in collaboration with the Aurora Research Institute to determine the electrical conditions in lake water as it freezes.

024 Physical Sciences

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Region: NS Location: Lac de Gras region, southwest Diavik claim block

Year of Research: 1996

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Phase 3 Environmental Baseline Program, Diavik Diamond Project, Lac de Gras, NWT

Methods of data collection included water quality and bottom sampling in Lac de Gras and Lac du Sauvage, automatic and manual water level recordings, bathymetric work, automatic weather stations, and the monitoring of air-borne particles and visibility. There was a continuation of the baseline studies of soils, terrain, and vegetation, as well as fish population, habitat, health, and spawning habits studies, baseline wildlife data collection, heritage resources studies, and traditional knowledge programs.

025 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: northern Richardson Mountains, from MacDougall Pass northwards to Boundary Creek

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Stratigraphy and Sedimentology of Permian and Triassic Strata, northern Yukon and adjacent NWT

A brief 3-day field season was undertaken in July 1996 to revisit locations that had been examined in previous years in order to resolve problems or gather new information. Daily flights from Inuvik were taken to the various sites. Site visits lasted from 15 minutes to several hours and at each site the rocks were identified and described, the vertical arrangements of rocks was measured and noted, and samples (about fist-sized) were taken where deemed necessary. Samples were taken to Calgary where they were used either to make thin-sections for examination under a microscope, or to recover microscopic fossils. Only basic geological tools were used (a hammer for sample collection and a 1.5 m measuring stick). The 1996 field work concluded the data-gathering part of the project and the final results are now published as Geological Survey of Canada, Bulletin 528.

026 Physical Sciences

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Region: SS Location: Slave River Delta

Year of Research: 1996

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Sediment Sampling on the Slave River Delta, NWT

In mid-June, the base-camp was re-established on Steamboat channel. For each day the researchers were in the delta, samples of shallow sediment cores from several shallow submarine landforms within channels and along the outer delta of the Slave River were taken. The core of sediment was sectioned into 2cm thick sections, air dried, and shipped south to be analysed for trace metals and organic contaminants.

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Region: IN Location: Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, Richards Island, modern Mackenzie Delta front

Year of Research: 1996

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Coastal Impacts of Climate Change

The Coastal Impacts project on the Beaufort Sea coast had two complementary objectives; to improve our understanding of coastal processes, and to develop methods for prediction of coastal impacts of changing climate. Field work was performed from the Alaska border to the Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula and included sites of archaeological significance in Ivvavik National Park, sites on the outer Mackenzie Delta, at North Head, and in the vicinity of Tuktoyaktuk. The program consisted of surveys of the beach and near shore using a combination of high-resolution global positioning system [GPS] and echosounding systems which allowed us to develop a three dimension picture of the shape of the beach and near shore. The field work concentrated on revisiting 11 sites which were investigated in the past several years to look for changes that can be related to changing environmental parameters such as storms, floods, etc. There were also observations of the recovery of eroded areas affected by the fall 1993 storm. Erosion was measured at GSC monitoring sites (Tent, Ellice, and Taglu Islands, North Head, Tuktoyaktuk, Tibjak Point, and Toker Point) and near shore bathymetric profiles were acquired where possible. Sediment samples were taken with a jet drill and the thickness of the active layer was measured at several sites as input into models of coastal evolution. Aerial photography was also flown at selected sites for comparison with historical air photos in the order to provide a more complete picture of coastal variability.

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Year of Research: 1996

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Sampling of Water from the Mackenzie River and some of its Principal Tributaries

In August 1996, we sampled the Mackenzie and the Arctic Red River at Tsiigetchic, as well as the Peel River at Fort McPherson. In addition, several of the large tributaries of the Mackenzie (Liard, Peace, Slave, Hay, Yellowknife, Athabaska rivers) were also sampled in northern Alberta and the NWT. Sampling consisted of collecting a few litres of river water, which were then filtered to separate the suspended matter (sediments) carried out by the river. An investigation was made of the chemical composition of the dissolved and suspended phases for their major and trace element contents. To our knowledge, this is the first study focussing on Sr (Strontium), Nd (Neodymium), Pb (Lead), and Os (Osmium) isotopic concentrations of a major drainage basin worldwide. The analytical work is currently being done out at the University of Paris (mass spectrometry) and the University of Toulouse (ICP-MS facilities). Some results show that Strontium isotopic analysis allow an identification of the regions that contribute the most, by chemical weathering, to the total element load carried by the Mackenzie River. It is noteworthy that the denudation rate of the Precambrian Shield areas is very low. The results also allowed for a calculation of the rate at which the Mackenzie Basin is being chemically eroded. The calculated rates are not very different from those found for the Amazon River basin, which is unexpected in view of the usually assumed premise that chemical erosion of continents occurs much faster under warm, tropical climates compared to very cold regions. In a collaborative effort, C. Gariepy is determining the amounts and the isotopic compositions of atmospheric heavy metals deposited in the drainage basin of the Mackenzie (Yukon, NWT, and northern BC) using lichen samples. The results from that research should provide answers to whether the wild basin of the Mackenzie River is significantly contaminated by industrial activities.

029 Physical Sciences

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Region: SA Location: Camp 222, Canol Heritage Trail

Year of Research: 1996

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Ecological and Geomorphological Investigations in the Alpine Tundra of the western Mackenzie Mountains

In 1996, spring and late summer visits were made to the Canol study area. Automated weather stations were serviced, and the stored data was recovered. During July and August, detailed studies were completed on the natural recovery of Canol Project disturbances on the Mackenzie Mountain Barrens. Microclimate, soil, and vegetation studies were completed over approximately 6 km of the abandoned section between Mile Post 212 and 216. Six borrow pits, eight vehicle tracks, and two bladed areas in addition to undisturbed sites were found and studied. Data analysis continues on this study. In addition to these studies, work was completed on the vegetation and microclimate of an exposed esker, and a section of patterned ground. These studies were to evaluate the relationship between plants, soil disturbance, and microclimate. A small study was completed on crustose lichens which were used to date the development of rock glaciers in the area of the Yukon border. Lichen diameters were similar to those determined for areas to the south, in the vicinity of Tungsten. Ptarmigan crop analysis indicates that in the early autumn, birds feed mostly on willows and some of the smaller forbs. The sample was small, but there appears to be no difference between adults and young of the year, nor between the sexes. Automated weather stations were left running again in the hopes that a sixth complete year of information could be collected on temperatures (soil and air), wind speed, global radiation, precipitation, and snowpack depth. This data will be useful in the development of theories regarding the presence and status of permafrost landforms in the area.

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Studies of the Environmental Effects of Disturbances in the Subarctic (SEEDS)

On June 7, 1995 a forest fire burned through the SEEDS (Studies on the Environmental Effects of Disturbances in the Subarctic) camp and research site that was established in 1985, 10 km north of Tulita. As a result of the fire, all studies planned for the area were suspended until September 1995 when it was determined that an opportunity to shift the focus of investigations to that of assessing the impacts of fire was now possible. During May 1996, the research site was rebuilt and reactivated with new automated weather stations, and a section of an unburned forest site was selected for comparison (3km north of the original site). The area containing cooking facilities and food cache was enclosed within a solar powered electric-shock fence. In July and August, sampling was completed to describe the vegetation, the plant recovery, the permafrost changes, the soil, and the small mammals using the site. During February 1997, supplies to operate the camp were taken by snowmobile into the camp from the winter road. At this time, snowpack sampling was conducted, and data stored on the automated weather stations was retrieved.

031 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta near Inuvik

Year of Research: 1996

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Biogeochemistry of Lakes in the Mackenzie Delta

This is an on-going research project and the long-term goal is to develop a biogeochemical model for lakes in the Mackenzie Delta, and ultimately, a more general ecosystem model for lakes in the flood plains & deltas of major world rivers that could help assess the effects of multiple stresses on rivers as a result of global change. Specific goals for the 1996 season included evaluating the strength of methane emissions from a set of lakes in the Mackenzie Delta near Inuvik and evaluating algae community composition as a potential predictor of flooding regimes within lakes of the delta. During May, we successfully collected samples of methane that accumulated under the ice of 27 lakes during the winter. During August we returned to the same set of lakes and collected samples of algae for community analysis. Analysis of algal communities from previous years and preliminary analysis of the samples collected this year have lead to a publication in "Arctic and Alpine Research" entitled " A paleohydrological model for the Mackenzie Delta, NWT (Canada): A diatom-base approach for evaluation of past river discharge" (Authors: Hay, Smol, Pipke, & Lesack).

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Physical Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Permafrost Studies: Western Arctic Coast

The researcher continued studies on the origin of permafrost, the ice found within permafrost, and processes that helped to create the present geocryologic environment. These studies were conducted on Richards Island, Inuvik, and Paulatuk. The different subjects were (1) Pingos, their growth, stability and the possible "birth" of a pingo from a frost mound in a drained lake on west side of Richards Island, (2) the effects of very strong winter winds blowing from the higher land south of Paulatuk north to the sea. Many rocks become abraded by wind blown sand and it has taken thousands of years for the larger rocks to become abraded and (3) a study of inactive ice wedges near Inuvik.

033 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Trail Valley Creek, 50 km NE of Inuvik

Year of Research: 1996

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Snow Accumulation / Runoff in High Latitude Permafrost Basins

During 1996 we carried out detailed field studies in the Inuvik area. This work looked at the factors controlling the movement of energy and water between the land surface and the atmosphere during the spring snowmelt period. This controls both the supply of energy and water to the atmosphere, as well as snowmelt and therefore spring runoff in the streams and rivers. The long term objective of these studies is to provide an improved ability to predict weather, climate, and water resources. Improved predictive ability is essential to properly manage future environmental change and to adapt to such changes. Our work concentrated on measuring the energy fluxes (solar and heat radiation, evaporation or condensation, and the heat transfer between the air and the surface) for different surface types. A variety of specialised instrumentation were used to do this, including eddy correlation instruments. These instruments measure the vertical movement of both energy and water to or away from the surface by measuring the wind, air temperature, and humidity 10 times every second. One focus considered the importance of bare patches in controlling snowmelt. The size and shape of bare patches is very important in controlling the rate of snowmelt and few computer models of melt consider this factor. In order to better understand these processes and to develop better methods of predicting snowmelt, an atmospheric model for predicting snowmelt over surfaces with patchy snow is currently being tested. This work is being carried out with researchers in England. Other work carried out in 1996 included the testing of a continuous dye injection system for measuring stream discharge during periods when the channels are blocked with snow and ice. This is a major problem since the spring flood is the major event of the year, with the highest discharge and often over half of the annual streamflow. The development of this relatively simple system for measuring spring discharge would result in an improved technique for the operational measurement of streamflow in northern areas of Canada.

034 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Offshore Beaufort Sea

Year of Research: 1996

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Ice Thickness Topography Study - Beaufort Sea

The base for operations was the Polar Continental Shelf Project Base at Tuktoyaktuk. The ice measurements were made by untended instruments operating beneath the sea throughout the year. The instruments were positioned in April 1995 and retrieved in March 1996. They were recovered through the ice using aircraft-based logistics. The survey of water properties was conducted at about 15 selected sites in the offshore, using a ski-equipped Twin Otter as a flying laboratory. Observations were made by lowering a probe to 1500 m depth or to the sea floor, whichever was shallower. The recorded data from sonars recovered at three sites provided full 12-month records of the ridging and thickness of the ice cover from April 1995 to March 1996. These data are now processed, and statistical summaries can readily be requested if required.

035 Physical Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Precambrian Reefs on Victoria Island

Fieldwork near Wynniatt Bay on northern Victoria Island was carried out by Professors Guy Narbonne and Noel James in July, 1996. The rocks are limestones called the Boot Inlet Formation of the Shaler Supergroup, and are approximately 800 million years old. Although these rocks are nearly twice as old as the oldest corals, small reefs made by colonies of bacteria called "stromatolites" are common. Nearly a dozen layers of reefs occur in the rock and some layers can be traced laterally over many kilometres. These reefs range from grocery-box-sized mounds less than a metre across to house-sized structures several tens of metres wide and 15 metres high. Although these reefs lack corals or any other shells, they show a structure that is similar to the ones built by ancient and modern corals. They also grew in the same ways - they grew up as the sea rose, and as the sea fell they either grew out or died. These features imply that the origin of reefs began many millions of years before corals themselves appeared. The reefs on Victoria Island are among the best examples of Precambrian reefs known anywhere in the world.

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Physical Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Organic Carbon Accumulation in Discontinuously Frozen Peatlands

Research was conducted in a peatland complex approximately 12 km west of Fort Simpson (4 km west of the Wrigley Road). The major component of the field work included the collection of peat cores in both frozen and unfrozen terrain to about 1 m depth. Approximately 100 cores were collected. Core holes were approximately 15 cm wide, and were filled to minimize terrain disturbance. This research project also examined methane (an important greenhouse gas) emissions from a variety of peat landforms. Other information collected included peatland temperatures, water levels, and samples to analyze water chemistry.

Social Sciences

037 Social Sciences

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Region: SS Location: Hay River

Year of Research: 1996

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Interaction of the Christian and Traditional Spirituality Among the Dene Nation.

This work involved talking to Band leaders, Elders, members of the Dene Cultural Institute (DCI), and others suggested by DCI staff. The method of data collection was designed in co-operation with community members and facilitated through DCI. Observation of the annual leadership meeting at Hay River was included as a snapshot of current Dene socio-political issues. Confidentiality was maintained at the request of the participants. Summaries of findings were deposited at the Dene Cultural Institute, The Woodland Cultural Centre, and McMaster University.

038 Social Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Mythical/Material: The Pragmatic Artistry of Inuit Autobiography

Twenty-one interviews were conducted in the Mackenzie Delta area to investigate material and cultural conditions, changes over the years, and perceived stereotypes about Natives and "outsiders" (those who had moved to the North from more southern areas). Interviewees were also questioned on their familiarity with three books by Inuit autobiographers, Alice French and Anthony Thrasher. Three Gwich'in, twelve Inuvialuit, and nine "outsiders" were interviewed. Amongst concerns expressed were alcoholism, elder abuse, respect for land and animals, loss of traditions, problems with the education system, and the perception that "outsiders" were being forced out of the area. Informants were also asked about their ideas of other cultures, whether Native or "outsider," as well as what constituted the best and worst things about living in the North. The autobiographies of French and Thrasher did not seem to be widely read, although *Thrasher: Skid Row Eskimo* seemed better known than *My Name is Masak*, or *The Restless Nomad*. The high cost of living and turmoil caused by political changes seemed major concerns to interviewees. The results of the interviews will be incorporated into my Ph. D thesis on Inuit biography.

039 Social Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Aboriginal Self Government in the Canadian and Russian North: Problems and Prospects

Studies in the Northwest Territories were part of a comparative study of Canadian and Russian Norths to understand the problems and prospects for greater aboriginal self-determination. Areas examined included the level of aboriginal organization at local, district, and regional levels. There was also an examination of the resources available to aboriginal peoples, and their leadership to pursue collective interests, the types of collective action undertaken by aboriginal organizations, and the opportunities and constraints which both facilitate and hinder the pursuit of greater aboriginal political autonomy.

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Year of Research: 1996

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Women's Access to Employment in Northern Resource Communities: Barriers and Opportunities.

Since the main objective of visiting the NWT was the dissemination of research results and verification of findings with a similar community, sampling was done on a convenience basis, using lead contacts, and networking. Interviews with women who were both participants and non participants in the resource industry, trainers/educators, employers, labour force development staff, and/or advocacy organizers, was done using a triangulation methodology and feminist research techniques and principles.

041 Social Sciences

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Region: ALL Location: ALL

Year of Research: 1996

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The Changing Roles of Principals in the Northwest Territories

This qualitative study focussed on how principals in the Northwest Territories understand and enact their responsibilities as educational leaders. Seven principals were selected, with consideration given to geographic location, gender northern experience, and school size. The study began with principals' written responses to general questions, followed by semi-structured interviews each, document analysis, and informal communication over six months of data collection. Principals identified school successes and expressed concerns over behavioural problems, student wellness and self esteem. Three major themes emerged around concepts of community, character and change. These were 1) community involvement in learning, 2) a focus on caring and community health and 3) effects of empowering communities to make educational decisions critical to local schooling and school programs.

042 Social Sciences

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Region: NS Location: Rae-Edzo

Year of Research: 1996

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Dogrib Phonology and Variation

The research was about Dogrib language variation undertaken in January and February 1996. The goal of the project was to determine the existence of correlations between linguistic variation and social groupings based on age or geographic location. The study involved interviews with 135 adult speakers ranging from 19-80 years of age from all five Dogrib communities: Dettah, Rae-Edzo, Rae Lakes, Snare Lake, and Wha'ti. In the study, three types of phonological variation are identified: (1) oral/nasal alternation in vowels; (2) variation in vowel quality; and (3) affricate/fricative alternation.

043 Social Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Arctic Technology Preservation Project

The Arctic Technology Preservation Project was born of the recognition for the need to preserve the technological capital that had been developed and tested during the great amount of the oil and gas exploration in the Canadian Arctic during the 1970's and early 1980's. The project consisted of three components: securing and protecting data from destruction or loss; cataloguing and organising the data into an easily accessible form, and; collecting and archiving data at a single location. The research which was conducted in the NWT was focussed towards the second component. Specifically, this research attempted to collect and document the engineering, environmental, and socio-economic initiatives that had resulted in new technological innovations in the North. Toward this end, the research conducted in the summer of 1996 recorded information and insights from local people regarding their experiences interacting with the oil companies during the "boom" of exploration activity. The research consisted of approximately 30 interviews with people, both aboriginal and non-aboriginal, residing in Tuktoyaktuk, Inuvik, Fort McPherson, and Aklavik. Interviews were taped (when permitted) then transcribed and archived at the Arctic Institute of North America. These interviews served as the basis for a written report which has been published by the Arctic Institute of North America under the title, *Breaking Ice with Finesse: Oil and Gas Exploration in the Canadian Arctic*.

044 Social Sciences

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Year of Research: 1996

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Aging and Intergenerational Family Dynamics in a Copper Inuit Community.

The research was conducted in Holman from January 1 through December 31, 1997. The investigation focussed on the attitudes towards and significance of aging in light of the rapid social changes that Inuit in Holman have experienced during the past 30-35 years. The material position of aged Inuit (age 50 and over) was also investigated, as well as the importance of the aged, both economically and symbolically, to young adult Inuit in the community. Data was collected through a series of survey and questionnaire procedures, which included a household census interview, health and functionality interviews, an age interview, life history interviews, and a biweekly hunting/fishing/food sharing survey. The research involved approximately 60 Inuit over age 20 in the community.

045 Social Sciences

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Region: ALL Location: All schools and School Boards in the NWT

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

(Home schooling in the Northwest Territories) Parent Choices in Education: Opting out of the Northwest Territories Education System.

This research used a mixed methods approach in three phases to collect data on parent choices that remove students from the local community school. In phase one, the study surveyed the principals of all schools in northern communities during the 1995-1996 school year. A simple form was used to get information on the grade level, age, gender, and parent occupations of home-schooled children in each community. Of the 84 principals polled, 64 responded with information indicating that 76 students were being home schooled, and a further 15 were in private schools in southern Canada. Some simple observations made so far are that most home schooled children are non-native, and in the primary and elementary levels. Most of the families have only begun home schooling in the last two or three years, and the vast majority of home schooled children (51) were in the three south-western communities of Yellowknife, Hay River, and Fort Smith. Only 12 students were home schooled in the Eastern Arctic, and all long-term home schoolers, those with 7 or more years of experience, were in the same three south-western communities. While the quantitative data may raise some interesting questions for further study, the more interesting results should come from interviews with home schooling parents in the next phase of the research.

046 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 507 (ARI)

Region: NS Location: Yellowknife

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Towards a Woman-Positive Basic Education - MA Thesis

The researcher utilized three methods to gather data: interviews, document analysis, and a questionnaire. Interviews of staff and students at the Yellowknife campus were the centre piece of the planned research, while the questionnaires were used principally to identify interview participants. Informed consent was obtained through the use of consent forms.

047 Social Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Holman

Year of Research: 1996

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Crafting Culture: Inuit Women's Work in the Canadian Arctic

This fieldwork session, undertaken in June 1996, continues dissertation research focussing on women's cultural production in the community of Holman, NT. The dissertation examines the economic, social, and cultural significance of Inuit women's creative labour in producing clothing, graphic arts, and crafts locally and for a commercial export market. The researchers discussed cultural production and marketing issues with seamstresses, craftswomen, and artists, updating data collected in earlier field sessions (1988-1992) with the assistance of Mary Okheena, Julia Ogina, and Alice Omingmak. The visit was timed to coincide with the Kingalik Jamboree, an annual three day festival, celebrating the vitality of Holman as an Inuit community. The researchers and the members of the Hamlet Council discussed a proposal to establish a local Archives and Research Centre for receiving publications, photographs, and research materials dealing with the Holman region. The book, Inuit: Glimpses of an Arctic Past by David A. Morrison (Canadian Museum of Civilization, 1995) was presented as an inaugural donation. Dr. Beatrice Collignon also presented the Council with her dissertation on geographical place names in the Holman region.

048 Social Sciences

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Region: SA Location: Fort Good Hope

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Healing Movements in the North: Gender and Tradition in Fort Good Hope, NWT.

The visit to Fort Good Hope served two purposes; to report findings from my M.A. research on concepts of healing and wellness in Fort Good Hope, NWT based on research in 1995, and also to consult with the K'asho Gotine Community Council in the development of a long-term research project (four years) exploring questions of gender and healing in the community. As this project was community based and collaborative, it was essential to obtain community input and direction to ensure the project was based on participatory research models. Language learning was also the focus of this visit for the researcher. In addition, participation in the daily life of the community aided the researcher's understanding of community issues.

049

Social Sciences

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Region: NS, SS Location: All communities in North Slave and South Slave

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: L. McNeil

A Socio-Economic Impact Assessment of the 5034 project

Draft community profiles of Yellowknife, Detah, Rae-Edzo, Snare Lake, Rae Lakes, Wha Ti, Lutsel k'e, Fort Smith, Fort Resolution, Hay River, and Hay River Reserve have been prepared. The profiles include data on the demographic, economic, employment, transportation, education, health, and community services in each of the communities. The information as collected through published and unpublished government and private reports, and through telephone interviews with representatives of the communities. This draft will form part of a socio-economic impact assessment that will be prepared in 1997.

050

Social Sciences

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Region: ALL Location: Fort Simpson

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

A History of the Community Teacher Education Program in the Western Northwest Territories

Data were collected from the various directors of the Divisional Boards of Education who oversee the programs, as well as from the archives of Aurora College Thebacha Campus.

051 Social Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Inuvik, Aklavik, and Tuktoyaktuk

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Helga Madsen, Eddie Dean Kalausok

The Cultural Contributions of Canadian Aboriginal Societies

The purpose of the research was to study the cultural contributions that the Aboriginal societies have made, and can make, to our Canadian identity. We believe that the Canadian identity has been and is concerned with finding a balance between the forces of community and those of individualism. In recent history, individualism has been moving towards a domination and fragmentation of the sense of community. We believe that the Aboriginal people have an understanding of the sense of community that would serve to moderate the dominating influence of individualism. More specifically, community values such as the sharing of resources, community land ownership, community therapy for deviants, and respect for the elderly were examined. The data for the analysis is from the General Social Survey conducted in the Northwest Territories (Inuvik and Aklavik) in 1996 by Concordia University College. Methodological issues in conducting research in the North are discussed. The findings, overall, suggest significant differences in communitarianism by gender, age, ethnicity, and socio-economic status. Aboriginal people show a greater support for communitarianism in its various dimensions.

052 Social Sciences

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Region: DC Location: Wrigley and Fort Providence

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Aboriginal Women's Roles in Forest-Dependent Communities

Research concerning the integration of community values and concerns into forest management plans requires an identification of the many and varied roles of community members who participate in resource-related activities. The research focuses on both women's and men's role in forest resource use activities (including subsistence, industrial, and recreational). Identifying gender specific roles and activities better enable resource managers to identify potential impacts of forest resource development on people's home, workforce, bush, and community life. Broadening the scope of potential development impacts helps planners avoid conflict between resource users, and contributes to overall community well-being. During the fieldwork period (summer 1996), 146 formal surveys were conducted (27.8 percent of the adult population). Participant-observation and informal interviews were also used to collect data on roles, attitudes, and expectations with respect to subsistence harvesting and natural resource development (specifically the forest industry). Survey data categories included socio-demographic status, household and communal activity, subsistence roles and activities, attitudes and involvement in resource development and planning, and perceptions of community stability. Secondary data sources were compiled to supplement local survey data from Statistics Canada, GNWT Bureau of Statistics, Native Women's Association, and Deh Cho Tribal Council.

053 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 518 (ARI)

Region: ALL Location: NWT hospitals

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Nurses Attitudes Towards Computerization

The population that was used for this study was nurses working in a hospital setting in the NWT. Participants were asked to complete a self-administered questionnaire (1.5 pages) and return the completed questionnaire to the researcher. A letter accompanied the questionnaire explaining the purpose of the study and nature of research to each participant.

054 Social Sciences

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Region: SS Location: Lutsel K'e

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Lutsel K'e Community Researcher, Lutsel K'e Wildlife/Land and Environmental Committee, Health Committee

Community Based Monitoring

In 1996, the *Community-Based Monitoring Pilot Project (1996)* took place in the Lutsel K'e, Northwest Territories. Similar to other northern communities in the Slave Geological Province, Lutsel K'e is currently faced with unprecedented mineral resource development. The goal of the *Community-Based Monitoring Pilot Project (1996)* was to design a tool that would increase the capacity of Lutsel K'e and other northern communities to address both the positive and negative effects (achieve benefits and mitigate negative effects) of such development. The project was organized according to three phases. Phase one involved gathering ideas and Chipewyan terminology for concepts like monitoring, indicators and community health. During phase two, themes and indicators of community health were developed through open-ended home-visits with one hundred households in the community. In phase three, a four-step process of monitoring was designed to include: a) gathering information through home-visits, b) summarizing information and communication, c) evaluation of information with a committee, d) reporting.

055

Social Sciences

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Region: NS, SS, DC

Location: Rae-Edzo, Snare Lake, Fort Resolution, and Kakisa

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Donna Diakun, Simon Taylor

Planning study of Northern Native Communities

This study was an evaluation of the success of existing planning and housing practice for Native communities in the western portion of the Northwest Territories, with an emphasis on the relationship between land use/ site planning, and social, cultural and environmental factors. The methodology centred around a core of community input, oral history, interviews, archival research, literature review, and mapping of incremental development to date.

Workshops and reviews were held in the four case study communities -- Fort Resolution, Kakisa, Snare Lake, and Rae Edzo -- generated input from local people regarding future development options. Two or three field visits were made to each community. Key findings included the uniqueness of each community's history and present needs, the importance of traditional knowledge, heritage, and the land, the endurance of kinship groups in traditional communities, and the problems with short-range economics that inhibit long-term social benefits. As well, the global application of standard housing and planning options and technical solutions overlooks social, cultural, and environmental needs.

056

Social Sciences

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Region: SA

Location: Fort Good Hope

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Dene Culture, Identity and the Land: A Family History Case Study

The project objective was to explore and characterize the links between traditional indigenous knowledge and the Dene socio-cultural complex in which this knowledge is realized and activated. Unstructured informal interviews and a participatory approach were used so that the community might have input directly into the direction of the project. This direction was influenced by the community's interest in family history, cultural change and continuity, the character of the relationship with the local natural environment, and strategies for strengthening ties to the land. Preliminary results have shown a need to recast the previous form of the original project in such a way that the project might better suit the needs of the community (ie. to focus on recording family histories as these histories intersect with the land as a vehicle to explore cultural change and continuity).

057 Social Sciences

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Region: ALL Location: Yellowknife, Inuvik, Fort Simpson, Fort Norman, Rae-Edzo, and Fort Resolution

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Changing Institutions for Sustainable Water Management

This study evaluated how the changing legislation, policy, and procedures for water management provides for the sustainable utilisation of the resource. This involved informal, unstructured interviews as the primary data source. Queries were directed to a description of the institutional arrangements and the evaluation of criteria. An analysis of pertinent newspaper articles, government documents and files, and academic literature complemented the interviews. Study results were published in the Canadian Water Resources Association edited book entitled *Practising Sustainable Water Management: Canadian and International Experience*.

058 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 515 (ARI)

Region: ALL Location: Western Arctic communities

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: self

Learning to be Responsible: A Case Study on Community Control and Social Change

This case study describes a process. It discusses how the community of Fort Resolution, over the period 1987 to 1997, progressively assumed responsibility of its social destiny. The problem explored in this research focussed on the issue of community development and social change. Two principal questions were explored: first, how does a community develop a system of governance that is responsive to the concern of its residents? Secondly, how is responsibility and collective accountability acquired by a small community for the delivery of services and government programs? Secondary questions such as what is the nature of the community responsibility? Who facilitates these responsibility skills among community participants? And, how and why must a community develop a vision for more autonomy? The answers to these questions were obtained through informal interviews, workshop sessions, public meetings, focus discussion groups, documents and minutes. The whole idea behind participation is that the real experts are the people involved from day to day in getting the job done.

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Year of Research: 1996

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Aboriginal Educational Development in the NWT

Due to limited time resources, the researcher limited her study to doing consultative interviews with staff members of the GNWT Department of Education, Culture and Employment, and with staff members of Aurora College in Yellowknife. No research was done outside of Yellowknife. This survey was part of a larger international 3-year research project sponsored by Japan's National Museum of Ethnology entitled *Indigenous Peoples in Urban Communities of the World* that started in 1995. The results of the research indicate that while the education policy became more democratic in the 1950's, and school curriculum and teaching materials became indigenous/heritage oriented, the pupils' level of academic performances seem to have deteriorated by the non-indigenous standard. The indigenous peoples did not achieve upward mobility, and the majority are likely to remain in the very low socio-economic groups. Only a few exceptional individuals might emerge into the middle class.

Traditional Knowledge

060 Traditional Knowledge

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Region: IN Location: Inuvik, Sachs Harbour, Holman, and Tuktoyaktuk

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Agnes White

Aulavik Oral History Project

Since 1995, the Inuvialuit Social Program (ISDP) has been contracted by Parks Canada to undertake the *Aulavik Oral History Project*, about the history of Banks Island. In 1996, a total of 50 Inuvialuit, most of them elders, were interviewed in Aklavik, Inuvik, Holman, Sachs Harbour, and Tuktoyaktuk, about their knowledge and use of Banks Island. During the summer of 1996, elders were brought by helicopter to 22 sites on Banks Island to be interviewed. On the west coast, the following historical sites were visited: Mary Sachs, Cape Kellett, Blue Fox Harbour, Imnaqpaluk, Lennie Harbour, Siksik Point, Sea Otter Harbour, Storkerson Bay, and Satchik. Inland, archaeological sites were recorded during helicopter surveys of Bernard River, Storkerson River, Big River, Egg River, and Masik Pass. In the southern part of the island, historical sites were visited at Charlie Lake, De Salis, Bay, and at the mouth of the Nelson River, while archaeological sites were visited at Nagiyulialuk and Raddi Lake. On the eastern part, historical and archaeological sites were visited at Naqhaluk, Jesse Bay, and north of Johnson Point. A final report and a video about the project are in progress.

061 Traditional Knowledge

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Region: IN Location: Gwich'in Settlement Area: Aklavik, Inuvik, Fort McPherson, and Tsiigehtchic

Year of Research: 1996

Other members of team: Four community assistants and a data-entry clerk

Gwich'in Environmental Knowledge Project (GEKP)

The Gwich'in Environmental Knowledge Project (GEKP) began in June 1995 and was completed in December 1997. The GEKP documented Gwich'in traditional environmental knowledge (TEK) about 20 species of fish and wildlife that are important for Gwich'in subsistence: their utilization, their spiritual value, and the ethical principles associated with their use and conservation. In the initial phase of the project, community members, especially elders, were consulted on project design and implementation. The knowledge was recorded by community assistants through a series of interviews with Gwich'in elders, and by reviewing relevant literature. In a focus group session, elders reviewed and revised all the recorded knowledge. Completion of the Phase 1 produced the traditional knowledge book "*Gwich'in Words About the Land*" and an extensive database for use by researchers. Phase 1 also established a successful approach to collecting, storing, and using TEK for modern day renewable resource management. The project has been extended in order to conduct further interviews on a wider variety of species. Publication of a second book is expected in 2000 and the extension and development of the database is ongoing.

Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

Archaeology Permits

062 Archaeology

Andrews, Tom

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Yellowknife, NT

Reference No: 96-828 (PWNHC)

Region: SA Location: Deline

Year of Research: 1996

Deline Hotel Heritage Resource Impact Assessment

The proposed site of a new hotel in the Deline settlement underwent a week-long heritage resource assessment impact. The proposed development was considered risky because of its proximity to Sir John Franklin's 1825-1826 Winter Quarters, although test pits in the actual development site did not reveal any significant heritage resources. Other archaeological sites in the area were inspected and it was found that development in other areas had threatened and partially destroyed six house foundations which were (approximately) dated to the 19th and early 20th centuries. The abandoned cemetery 1.5 km northeast of the community was mapped to ensure that it would be protected from future developments, and it was recommended that further development be halted.

063 Archaeology

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Region: IN Location: NiRm-1

Year of Research: 1996

Angik Archaeological Field School

This was a continuation of the archaeological field programme with the school children of Paulatuk. The students spent mornings and afternoons on site, weather permitting. They learned the basic methods of artifact recovery and recording. They also learned how to make rubber moulds and plastic casts of objects, and were responsible for recording their daily activities in a journal.

064 Archaeology

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Points West Heritage Consulting Ltd.

Langley, BC

Reference No: 96-834 (PWNHC)

Region: NS Location: North of Lac de Gras

Year of Research: 1996

BHP Diamonds Inc. Archaeology Project

The survey of 1996 in the area north of Lac de Gras yielded 25 new sites to the 62 sites that were located in 1994 and 1995. Nine of the new sites were found near previously recorded sites, and new areas of investigation revealed the remaining 16 sites. All of these sites were located on eskers and were characterized primarily by unworked stone flakes and contained light to dense concentrations of artifacts. A number of sites contained one or more stone tools, and all but one site was designated as pre-contact. One site in association with a small lake near the more southerly Exeter Lake esker was unique in that it consisted of a cache of unworked chunks of quartz that were likely collected in order to make stone tools, but were never used.

065 Archaeology

Damkjar, Eric

ERD Heritage Consulting

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Reference No: 96-825 (PWNHC)

Region: IN Location: MeTp-4

Year of Research: 1996

Tsiigehtchic Ethno-Archaeology Project: Martin Zheh Excavations 1996

This is another project developed on behalf of the Gwich'in Social and Cultural Institute to look at the Martin Zheh area. This site is important because it documents seasonal Gwich'in camps and provides some evidence of how Euro-Canadian technologies were integrated into traditional Gwich'in life ways over the last 200 years. Excavations in 1996 revealed five cultural layers dating from the 1700's to the early 1900's and the artifacts exposed in each level were appropriate to what was expected. An analysis of the animal bones that were uncovered at the site will indicate the seasonality of the occupation, and may also suggest just how much, if at all, the fur trade and changing technology affected the people's camping and hunting activities at Martin Zheh.

066 Archaeology

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Reference No: 96-822 (PWNHC)

Region: IN Location: Mouth of the Peel River

Year of Research: 1996

Delta Science Camp 1996

The mouth of the Peel River was a traditional summer fish camp of the Teet'it Gwich'in, and was also the location of a small Gwich'in village in the first half of the 20th century. A number of buildings are still standing on the site today. The Delta Science Camp was developed for the Gwich'in Social and Cultural Institute to survey, test, map, and record sites at the mouth of the Peel River. Students learned both traditional and scientific skills, as well as being instructed in the oral history of the area.

067 Archaeology

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Calgary, AB

Reference No: 96-838 (PWNHC)

Region: SS Location: West of Walmsley Lake

Year of Research: 1996

Kenneday Lake Diamond Project (Mountain Province)

An overview of the potential facility locations associated with the Kenneday Project (Mountain Province Mining Inc.) located west of Walmsley Lake was conducted. Specifically, a potential road route over bedrock outcrops, alternate all-weather road routes, two possible airstrip locations, and a portion of an esker which may be used for borrow material. Three sites were identified in association with the esker system. One consists of a historic site containing axe-cut spruce and a related circular stone hearth feature. The remaining two sites contain primarily stone flake discards. One of these sites is located on top of the esker, whereas the other is on the shore of a small lake adjacent to the esker.

068

Archaeology

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Reference No: 96-826 (PWNHC)

Region: IN Location: NhTs-2, NiTs-1

Year of Research: 1996

Qilalugaq Archaeology Project

A total of 22 driftwood-and-sod houses were recorded and mapped in the earliest Inuvialuit beluga whale hunting site in the Mackenzie Delta region. The houses at Cache Point were smaller than the more recent houses from Kittigazuit and an analysis of the associated artifacts include some Thule forms which confirmed the early date for the site. The information from this site will be used to plan future fieldwork, such as how the early Inuvialuit in the Mackenzie Delta lived and what methods were used to hunt beluga whales in the distant past.

069

Archaeology

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Inuvik, NT

Reference No: 96-827 (PWNHC)

Region: IN Location: Kitigaaryuit, Mackenzie Delta

Year of Research: 1996

Kitigaaryuit Cultural Mapping Project

This project was undertaken to survey and inventory the cultural features at Kitigaaryuit (Kittigazuit) and resulted in the recording of approximately 190 graves, 17 sod house ruins, and the foundations of a Hudson's Bay Company Store and related buildings. The services of a professional survey team from the Federal Department of Public Works and Services in Winnipeg were instrumental in the production of a site map of all features, and scale drawings of some of the features. Elders who had lived at Kitigaaryuit or had visited when it was occupied year round were brought to the site to talk about its history and to help identify features.

070

Archaeology

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Reference No: 96-839 (PWNHC)
Region: SA Location: Norman Wells
Year of Research: 1996

Aircobra Recovery Project

Permission was received to conduct a visual search of lakes in the vicinity of Norman Wells to locate three submerged aircraft.

071 Archaeology

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Reference No: 96-829 (PWNHC)
Region: SA Location: Great Bear Lake
Year of Research: 1996

Grizzly Bear Mountain and Scented Grass Hills Archaeological Survey and Place Names Project

The survey was conducted along the shores of Great Bear Lake from Keith Arm to McVicar Arm of Grizzly Bear Mountain, and from Deerpass Bay to Douglas Bay along the shores of Scented Grass Hills. The survey consisted of the mapping and recording of 51 previously unrecorded sites, and revisiting 3 known sites. Elders from Deline were interviewed in order to gather place names, legends, stories, and information on the significance of numerous locations. The survey is one of the final stages of a research project begun in 1990 and sponsored by the Deline Band and Parks Canada in preparation for the potential designation of Grizzly Bear Mountain and Scented Grass Hills as a National Historic Site.

072 Archaeology

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Reference No: 96-835 (PWNHC)
Region: NS Location: Lac de Gras
Year of Research: 1996

Southwest Diavik Property -- Archaeological Inventory of Potential Development Areas

A survey was conducted of the eastern shore of Lac de Gras, on the eastern mainland and two adjacent islands. A total of 172 pre-contact activity locales were identified during the study of three areas. The sites include quarries (88), lithic scatters (68), isolated lithic finds (13), multiple hearth sites (2), and one Pre-Dorset camp. In addition, one set of post-contact travois poles was identified along the shore of an inland lake. The sites tended to cluster in areas of high relief near inland lake edges or on high bedrock outcrops. The majority of the sites were on the most central of the two islands, and the Pre-Dorset camp was located on the mainland, in an eroded sandy area adjacent to the Lac de Gras shoreline. Dogrib elders and Inuit representatives from Kugluktuk examined the site and shared their knowledge about traditional lifestyles.

Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development

Wildlife Research Permits

073 Wildlife

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Reference No: 934 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Banks Island

Productivity of Lesser Snow Geese on Banks Island

Waterfowl, Snow Geese

Lesser snow goose productivity, population, and nesting surveys were conducted, and 15 pairs of adult birds were collected. Up to 20 arctic foxes were trapped and ear tagged in order to obtain an estimate of the number of foxes frequenting snow goose nesting colony.

074 Wildlife

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Reference No: 927 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Cambridge Bay, Fort Providence, Fort Simpson, Fort Simpson, Fort Smith, Fort Resolution, Hay River, Inuvik, Iqaluit, Kugluktuk, Norman Wells, Rae Edzo, Rankin Inlet, Tulita

Delineation of Sandhill Crane Subspecies and Their Distribution

Birds, Sandhill Crane

Sandhill cranes from across the arctic were collected in order to delineate their subspecies by chromosomal analysis and measurements.

075 Wildlife

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Reference No: 942 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Hook Lake

Hook Lake Wood Bison Recovery Project

Bison, Wood Bison

Bison calves were captured and transported to Fort Resolution to preserve the genetic integrity of the herd, and to propagate a disease-free herd.

076 Wildlife

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Reference No: 961 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Fort Smith area between Talston and Little Buffalo Rivers

Fort Smith Area Moose Census

Large Mammals, Moose

An aerial survey for moose was conducted in the Fort Smith area.

077 Wildlife

Branigan, Marsha

Wolf/Bear Biologist

Renewable Resources

Bag Service 1

Inuvik, NT X0E 0T0

Reference No: 1157 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Richardson Mountains

Grizzly Bear Reproductive Rates and Cub Survival in the Richardson Mountains

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bears

A program was established to monitor a minimum of 15 radio-collared adult female grizzly bears over a 6 year period in order to determine reproductive parameters.

078 Wildlife

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Inuvik, NT X0E 0T0

Reference No: 944 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Mackenzie Delta

Mackenzie Delta Bear Survey/Problem Bear Project

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bears

The bear population in the delta was determined, and bears were marked using radio telemetry to establish home ranges, den sites, and seasonal habitat use.

079 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996
Location: McConnel River Bird Sanctuary

Sustainable Harvest of Snow Goose Eggs

Waterfowl, Snow Geese

Guidelines for the sustainable use of waterfowl eggs was developed.

080 Wildlife

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Reference No: 938 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Walker Bay

Waterfowl of the Central Arctic

Waterfowl,

Nests were sought and monitored, lemming numbers were monitored by trapping, and geese were captured for banding and marking.

081 Wildlife

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Reference No: 947 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Loche Lake near Tulita

Distribution, Harvest Location and Survival of Northern Dabbling Ducks

Waterfowl, Ducks

Swim-in traps were baited for the purpose of banding ducks to determine distribution and recovery rates.

082 Wildlife

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Reference No: 946 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Central Arctic

Population Ecology of Grizzly Bears in the Slave Geological Province

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bears

Satellite telemetry collars were applied to bears in the area in order to determine long-term movements, critical habitats, resource restrictions, seasonal forage selection, and habitat use.

083 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1175 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: West Hudson Bay and West Baffin Island

Distribution and Chronology of the Migration of Canada Geese

Waterfowl, Canada Geese

Helicopters were used to drive moulting geese into capture pens where they were banded.

084 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1172 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Churchill Manitoba

Immobilization and Anaesthesia of Polar Bears on the Western Coast of Hudson Bay with Combinations of Medetomidine and Ketamine, Zolazepam-Tiletamine and Atipamezole

Polar Bears,

Various combinations of these drugs were tested in order to determine their effectiveness in the immobilization of polar bears.

085 Wildlife

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Reference No: 960 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: South of Inuvik, Rengleng River Region

Population Size and Composition of Moose at Rengleng River Region

Large Mammals, Moose

An aerial survey for moose was conducted in order to determine their population size and composition.

086 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1166 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Lac des Gras area

Analysis of Esker Use by Wolves Denning in the Central Arctic

Wolves,

A determination was made of the density, abundance, and spatial distribution of wolf dens on eskers through the use of aerial survey methods. Wolf movements in the area were also monitored.

087 Wildlife

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Reference No: 910 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Siksik Lake, Banks Island

Demography and Management of the Banks Island Snow Geese

Waterfowl, Snow Geese

A determination was made of the annual productivity of snow geese, mortality rates, distribution, and movement patterns. The possibility of Banks Island being a reservoir for avian cholera was also assessed, and geese were also banded and collared.

088 Wildlife

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Reference No: 930 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Holman

Eider Migration and Harvest at Holman

Waterfowl, Eiders

The abundance and composition of the eider migration near Holman was determined, as were the harvest characteristics.

089 Wildlife

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Reference No: 929 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Coronation Gulf, Queen Maud Gulf, Dolphin Strait, Union Strait

Distribution and Abundance of Pacific Eiders in the Central Arctic

Waterfowl, Eiders

The size and distribution of the breeding population of eiders in the central arctic was determined by aerial survey and nest searching.

090 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1170 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Yellowknife, Inuvik, Fort Smith

North American Breeding Bird Survey

Birds, Breeding birds

The populations of breeding songbirds were monitored by ground based survey methods.

091 Wildlife

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Reference No: 958 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Island on Pellatt Lake

Determine the Health of Stranded Muskoxen

Muskoxen,

Up to 18 muskoxen reported starving on an island in Pellatt Lake were shot and/or captured and released. Biological samples were collected from all animals killed to determine condition and, where possible, the edible parts of each carcass were saved.

092 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1173 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Cape Hooper, Clyde River, Padloping Island

Environmental Assessment of Cape Hooper, Clyde River, and Padloping Island

Small Mammals, Lemmings

Lemmings were trapped at each site and shipped back for analyses.

093 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1171 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Arviat, Rankin Inlet, Resolute Bay

Fertility Assessment of Collared Lemmings in North America

Small Mammals, Lemmings

Up to 40 collared lemmings were collected from each location to add to the breeding colony in order to determine the degree of infertility.

094 Wildlife

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Reference No: 924 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Near Kimmirut

Caribou Herd Condition

Caribou,

Specimens and information on snow melt and range were collected in order to determine herd condition. Five hundred caribou were sexed and aged, and any carcasses found were necropsied.

095 Wildlife

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Reference No: 915 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Coats Island, Coral Harbour

Canadian Wildlife Service Seabird Monitoring Program

Birds, Seabirds

The abundance of Thick-billed murre was determined, and the population genetics and dispersal and survival of gulls was also studied.

096 Wildlife

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Reference No: 901 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Slave River Lowlands

Slave River Lowlands Bison Populations Studies

Bison,

An aerial census of the Slave River lowlands bison herd was made in order to measure composition and abundance.

097 Wildlife

Gates, Cormack

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Reference No: 905 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Fort Providence area

Anthrax Research and Surveys of the Mackenzie Bison Population

Bison, Wood Bison

An aerial census of the Mackenzie bison sanctuary was conducted in order to determine herd composition, test the effectiveness of vaccine, and to determine anthrax in soil using bioassay.

098 Wildlife

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Reference No: 913 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Bylot Island

Breeding Ecology of Greater Snow Geese

Waterfowl, Snow Geese

The productivity, movement, success, parasites, metabolic rates of chicks, and mortality factors of snow geese were all monitored. Nutrient cycles were determined from faeces, as well as the effects of goose grazing and lemming abundance.

099 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1162 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Nirjutiqavvik National Wildlife area, Coburg Island

Demography of Thick-billed Murres & Black-legged Kittiwakes Coburg Island

Birds, Sea Birds

A photo mosaic of the entire thick-billed murre and black-legged kittiwake colony was completed and birds were counted on monitoring plots using scopes.

100 Wildlife

Gilchrist, Grant

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Reference No: 1158 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: East Bay, Southampton Island

Population Studies of King and Common Eiders in East Bay

Waterfowl, Eiders

Birds were banded while nesting in order to determine adult survival and philopatry and to provide information on the reproductive ecology of eiders.

101 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1161 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Mount Pelly area, Cambridge Bay

1996 Expedition of the Groupe de Recherches en Écologie Arctique

Small Mammals, Lemmings

The winter ecology of the collared lemming was studied and the CEDMP slide bank was completed with nearctic species.

102 Wildlife

Gullickson, Doug

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Reference No: 917 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Nahanni national park

South Nahanni Woodland Caribou Study

Caribou, Woodland Caribou

The seasonal habitat use, migration patterns, critical habitats, population, and composition was documented by deploying radio collars and conducting ground and aerial surveys.

103 Wildlife

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Reference No: 941 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Bathurst calving ground

Photographic Census of the Bathurst Calving Ground

Caribou,

A photographic census of the Bathurst caribou calving grounds was conducted.

104 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1152 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Prince of Wales Island, Somerset Island, Peel Sound

Prince of Wales Island Peary Caribou Survey

Caribou, Peary Caribou

A helicopter was used to survey Prince of Wales Island, Somerset Island, Peel Sound, and Franklin Strait for Peary Caribou.

105 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1153 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Bathurst caribou range

Movements of the Bathurst Caribou Herd

Caribou,

A measurement was made of the daily movements of Bathurst caribou on the calving grounds, and weekly movements elsewhere using 15 satellite collars which were placed on cows.

106 Wildlife

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Reference No: 912 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Bathurst Island

Movements of Bathurst Island Caribou

Caribou, Peary Caribou

Data was acquired on the daily movements of Bathurst Island Peary caribou from the satellite collars put on in 1995.

107 Wildlife

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Reference No: 948 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Lupin Mine site

Tailing Pond Use by Caribou at Lupin Mine

Caribou,

Ground survey methods were used to determine the use of tailing ponds by caribou at the Lupin Mine site. The usefulness of traditional deterrents was also assessed.

108 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1169 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Hood River area

Baseline Biophysical Characteristics of the Hood River Eskers

Animals, Mammals, Birds

Reconnaissance level terrestrial surveys to document bird, mammal, and plant use of eskers in the Hood River area.

109 Wildlife

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Reference No: 909 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Iqaluit, Hall Beach

Raven Foraging Behaviour

Birds, Raven

The interaction between hunters and ravens was studied by following hunters and baiting ravens.

110 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1159 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Tuktoyaktuk peninsula, Anderson river area

Distribution, Abundance, and Survival of Pacific Brant from the Mainland of the Inuvialuit Settlement Region

Waterfowl, Pacific Brant

The distribution of pacific brant was established by flying aerial surveys. Survival was studied by banding a sample of brant when they were moulting by using helicopter drives.

111 Wildlife

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Reference No: 954 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Near Lupin mine at Jericho, Ulu exploration sites

Wildlife Abundance and Distribution Near Jericho and Ulu Exploration Sites

Mammals, Birds

A combination of aerial and ground surveys were used to determine the abundance and distribution of wildlife near the Jericho and Ulu exploration sites.

112 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1167 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Victoria Island

Victoria Island Caribou Radio Telemetry

Caribou,

The seasonal distribution of female caribou on western Victoria Island was monitored in relation to areas of interest of mining exploration. Caribou were captured using a net gun and a satellite telemetry collar was attached

113 Wildlife

Johnston, Victoria

Habitat Biologist

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Reference No: 937 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Prince Charles Island

Bird Studies in the Northern Foxes Basin

Birds,

Ground and aerial counts were conducted in order to determine the distribution and abundance of breeding birds on Prince Charles Island.

114 Wildlife

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President

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Reference No: 821 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Resolute Bay

Kill of Muskox on Cornwallis Island

Muskoxen,

Ten muskox from Cornwallis Island were killed to determine their condition.

115 Wildlife

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Biologist

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Reference No: 931 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Brakett Lake

Distribution, Abundance and Reproductive Success of Breeding Waterfowl

Waterfowl, Ducks, Geese, Swan

The distribution, abundance, and reproductive success of breeding waterfowl was determined by aerial and ground based surveys.

116 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1155 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: North of Tulita

Studies of the Environmental Effects of Disturbance in the Subarctic

Small Mammals, Vole, Shrew

A mark and recapture project was done to quantify impacts of controlled surface disturbances, to evaluate test reclamation treatments, and to develop models to predict the results of both.

117 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1168 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Mackenzie Mountain barrens at Macmillan Pass

Small Mammal Habitat Selection in Alpine Tundra of the Western Mackenzie Mountains

Small Mammals, Vole, Lemming

Small mammals were snap trapped in order to determine the species present and the population characteristics of each species.

118 Wildlife

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Reference No: 932 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Inuvik, Dew line sites across the arctic (Anderson River, Breakwater Island, Cockburn Island, Hope Bay, Horton River, Hurd Island, Jameson Islands, Nicholson Point, Northstar Harbour, Tuktoyaktuk, Walker Bay, Wilmot Island)

Lemming Population Fluctuations in the Eastern and Western Arctic

Small Mammals, Lemming

The timing of lemming cycles in the arctic was studied by snap trapping and live trapping, marking, and attempting to recapture.

119 Wildlife

Larter, Nicholas

Muskox/Caribou Biologist

Renewable Resources

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Reference No: 921 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Banks Island

Banks Island Range Study

Muskox,

The diet and amount of overlap of Banks Island Caribou and Muskox was determined, as well as the impact of grazing, seasonal forage quality changes, and extent of types of range. A correlation was also made of non-invasive indices of health to actual indices of health.

120 Wildlife

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Reference No: 925 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Mills Lake on the Mackenzie River

Assessment of Mills Lake as a Staging Area for Migrating Geese, Swans, and Shorebirds

Waterfowl, Birds

Regular aerial surveys were flown over Mills Lake to determine the abundance and distribution of staging waterfowl and shorebirds, and to evaluate the importance of Mills Lake as a staging area for western arctic populations of geese.

121 Wildlife

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Reference No: 940 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Creswell Bay

Assessment of Creswell Bay for Protected Status

Birds, Shorebirds

Shorebird count plots were used on land classification units (TM) to determine population status.

122 Wildlife

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Reference No: 903 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Daring Lake

Wolverine Ecology in the Central Arctic

Furbearers, Wolverine

A determination was made of wolverine home ranges, locations of dens, and the number of young produced. Harvest information was collected, tracks were monitored to determine road impacts, and wolverine were radio collared.

123 Wildlife

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Reference No: 936 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Prince Charles Island

Bird Studies in the Northern Foxes Basin

Birds, Shorebirds

The distribution and abundance of shorebirds on Prince Charles Island was determined through the use of survey plots.

124 Wildlife

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Reference No: 933 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Eureka

Behavioural Ecology of an Arctic Wolf Pack

Wolf

The longterm productivity and survival of arctic wolf packs was determined through direct observation and photography.

125 Wildlife

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Reference No: 928 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Hope Bay area

Hope Bay Belt Project Baseline Environmental Studies

Animals, all species

Baseline studies on all species were continued using a series of aerial and ground based survey methods, as well as snap trapping small mammals.

126 Wildlife

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Reference No: 926 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Lac de Gras

Northwest Territories Diamonds Project

Animals, all species

Baseline data on all species in the Lac de Gras area continued to be gathered. Visual observations were made with fixed wing aircraft, helicopters, as well as ground surveys, radio telemetry, small mammal trapping, and so forth.

127 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1160 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Alert, Ellesmere Island

Studies of the Migration, Ecophysiology and Energetics of High Arctic Shorebirds Near Alert

Birds, Shorebirds

Shorebirds were surveyed, radio tagged, and observed in order to study their ecophysiology.

128 Wildlife

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Reference No: 956 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Southeast of Omingmaktok (Bathurst Inlet)

Vegetation and Habitat of the Bathurst Calving Area

Caribou,

To document The distribution and abundance of plant species on and near the calving grounds of the Bathurst Caribou herd were documented, and caribou behaviour was observed.

129 Wildlife

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Reference No: 918 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Qamanirjuaq caribou range

Qaminirjuaq Caribou Spring Composition and Satellite Collaring

Caribou,

Aerial classification counts were conducted and three refurbished satellite collars were deployed on adult female caribou.

130 Wildlife

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Reference No: 904 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Southampton Island

Southampton Island Caribou Study

Caribou,

Aerial surveys and ground surveys were conducted in order to determine herd composition. Dead caribou were opportunistically sampled to determine body condition.

131 Wildlife

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Reference No: 962 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Southampton Island

Caribou Collection and Necropsy

Caribou,

Up to 60 caribou on Southampton Island were collected and necropsied.

132 Wildlife

Mulders, Robert

Regional Biologist

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Government of Northwest Territories

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Reference No: 949 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Near Arviat

Pesticide Contamination in Peregrine Falcons

Raptors, Peregrine Falcons

Peregrine falcons were captured and blood and tissue samples taken to determine levels of contamination.

133 Wildlife

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Renewable Resources

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Reference No: 907 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Bluenose caribou herd range

Bluenose Caribou Herd Range Use

Caribou,

The seasonal ranges and movements of the Bluenose Caribou herd, as well as their calving grounds, were defined by deploying satellite collars.

134 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

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Government of the Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 822 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Cambridge Bay, Kugluktuk, Holman, Gjoa Haven, Pelly Bay

Body Condition of Commercially Harvested Muskoxen and Caribou

Muskoxen, Caribou

Hunter-killed muskoxen were sampled to determine standard indices of body condition.

135 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

Renewable Resources

Government of the Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 953 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Queen Maud Gulf Area

Distribution and Abundance of Muskoxen in the Queen Maud Gulf Area

Muskoxen,

The population of muskoxen in the Queen Maud Gulf mainland area was determined by flying strip transects.

136 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

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Government of the Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 922 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Elu Inlet area of Bathurst Inlet

Satellite collars on Queen Maud Gulf Caribou

Caribou,

Satellite collars were deployed on female caribou adults to determine their seasonal movements and the herd to which they belonged.

137 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

Renewable Resources

Government of Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 1154 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Southern Victoria Island and adjacent mainland coasts

Distribution of Caribou Calving on Southern Victoria Island

Caribou, Peary Caribou

Radio collared caribou were relocated by aerial survey to determine their calving areas.

138 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

Renewable Resources

Government of Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 1174 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Queen Maud Gulf area

Distribution and Abundance of Muskoxen in the Queen Maud Gulf Area

Muskoxen,

The distribution and abundance of muskoxen in the Queen Maud Gulf area was determined using strip aerial transects.

139 Wildlife

Nishi, John

Regional Biologist

Renewable Resources

Government of Northwest Territories

Kugluktuk, NT X0E 0E0

Reference No: 955 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Basil Bay area

Distribution and Abundance of Terrestrial Gastropods Northwest of Kugluktuk

Animals, Gastropods

A determination was made of the distribution and abundance of gastropods (the intermediate host of a Muskoxen lungworm) in the Basil Bay area 30 km northwest of Kugluktuk.

140 Wildlife

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Reference No: 945 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Diavik Diamond Project

Baseline Environmental Information for the Diavik Project

Animals, all species

Baseline environmental information for the Diavik projects Environmental Impact Assessment was compiled using a series of ground and aerial survey methods.

141 Wildlife

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Reference No: 823 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Calais Lake, Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary

Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary Lynx Study

Furbearers, Lynx

The home range size and movement patterns of lynx was examined and a determination was made of their reproduction, survival, and mortality with regards to snowshoe hare densities. Lynx were also collared and tracked using radio telemetry.

142 Wildlife

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Reference No: 824 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Fort Simpson, Fort Providence, Fort Good Hope, Deline, Fort Smith, Fort Resolution

Lynx and Marten Carcass Collection

Furbearers, Lynx, Marten

The age, sex, and reproductive condition of lynx and marten was determined.

143 Wildlife

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Reference No: 959 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Near Dettah

Beaver Survey Near Dettah

Furbearer, Beaver

An aerial survey of ponds near Dettah was conducted in order to determine the abundance of beavers. This information was supplied to the Yellowknives Dene for harvesting information.

144 Wildlife

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Reference No: 825 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Fort Providence, Fort Simpson, Fort Smith, Inuvik, Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary, Norman Wells,
Pine Point, Yellowknife

Snowshoe Hare Population Monitoring

Furbearers, Snowshoe Hare

Pellet counts were made to determine population index of snowshoe hare.

145 Wildlife

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Reference No: 920 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Viscount Melville Sound, Barrow Strait, Wellington Channel, Lancaster

Kinetics of Organochlorine Contaminants in Polar Bears and Their Cubs

Polar Bears,

Bears were captured, radio marked, and recaptured in order to determine the effects of PCB/DDE on living bears.

146 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1163 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Cape Parry, Tuktoyaktuk

Environmental Assessment of Cape Parry and Tuktoyaktuk Solid Waste Disposal Area

Small Mammals, Lemming

Lemmings were collected using snap traps in order to analyse them for contaminants.

147

Wildlife

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Reference No: 906 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Holman, Paulatuk, Sachs Harbour

Giardia Analysis of Polar Bear Faeces

Polar Bear,

Faeces were collected from bears harvested by hunters and analysed for the parasite giardia.

148

Wildlife

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Reference No: 1164 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Hope Bay area

Monitoring Nesting Success of Hope Bay Gyrfalcons

Raptors, Gyrfalcons

The population of gyrfalcons and other raptors in the area was established and young gyrfalcons were banded and measured.

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Wildlife

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Reference No: 1165 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: near Kugluktuk

Monitoring Nesting Success of Kugluktuk Gyrfalcons

Raptors, Gyrfalcons

The number of nesting pairs of raptors was determined and young gyrfalcons were banded and measured

150 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996

Location: Arviat, Baker Lake, Cambridge Bay, Coral Harbour, Daring Lake, Fort Simpson, Fort Smith,
Kugluktuk, Norman Wells, Pond Inlet, Rankin Inlet, Repulse Bay, Yellowknife

Monitoring Abundance of Small Mammals

Small Mammals,

The populations of small mammals across the Northwest Territories were monitored using snap traps.

151 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996

Location: Mills Lake

Cooperative Waterfowl Banding Program

Waterfowl,

Traps were baited to capture mallards, pintails, and green-winged teal for banding.

152 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996

Location: Radstock Bay, South West Devon Island

The Behaviour of Undisturbed Polar Bears

Polar Bears,

A determination was made of the undisturbed behaviour of polar bears by observing through spotting scopes from a distance.

153 Wildlife

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Reference No: 919 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Baffin Region

Inventory of High Arctic/Baffin Bay Polar Bear Population

Polar Bear,

As many bears as possible were marked, satellite collars were removed, and the use of traditional methods of conducting polar bear research was documented. Following immobilisation, bears were ear tagged, lip tattooed, and painted.

154 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996

Location: Bathurst Island, Boothia Peninsula, Devon Island, Ellesmere Island, Prince of Wales Island,
Victoria Island

Microsatellite Variation in Muskox

Muskoxen,

Muskox tissue samples from across the Territories were analysed for a genetic study.

155 Wildlife

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Reference No: 923 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Katherine Creek

Demography of Dall's Sheep in the Mackenzie Mountains

Large Mammals, Dall's Sheep

A determination was made of the proportion of population that consists of harvestable rams. Lamb production was assessed, and important lambing areas were identified through ground surveys.

156 Wildlife

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Reference No: 902 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Turton Lake

Juvenile Dispersal of Martens in the Boreal Forest of the Northwest Territories

Furbearers, Marten

A determination was made of the location of dens, the dispersal of juveniles, population trends, and Traditional Environmental Knowledge concerning martens. Marten were also radio collared.

157 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1996
Location: Mackenzie River Drainage

Cooperative United States/Canada Waterfowl Population Surveys

Waterfowl, Ducks, Geese

The size and species composition of the breeding population of ducks and other waterfowl in the Mackenzie River drainage was determined by aerial survey.

158 Wildlife

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Reference No: 951 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1996
Location: Browne Island near Resolute Bay

Annual Census of Black-legged Kittiwake Colony Near Browne Island

Birds, Black-legged Kittiwakes

An annual count of black-legged kittiwakes was conducted, and six adults were collected for contaminant and stable isotope analysis. The accumulated carcasses from natural kittiwake deaths were also collected.

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Reference No: 939 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1996

Location: Walker Bay

The Effect of Predation on the Lemming Cycle*Small Mammals, Lemming*

The effects of predators on the lemming cycle were determined by trapping and marking lemmings, and by marking arctic fox.

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Fisheries Scientific Licences

160 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-009 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta, Beaufort coast

Year of Research: 1996

Mackenzie/Beaufort Inconnu Studies

A determination was made of the importance of various habitats within the study area for various life history aspects of inconnu and other associated species.

161 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-010 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Rat River

Year of Research: 1996

Rat River Charr Studies

The use of known and potential spawning areas by Dolly Varden charr in the Rat River was verified and its spawning population was monitored.

162 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-011 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Big Fish River

Year of Research: 1996

Big Fish River Charr Studies

Artificial egg incubation devices (redds) were installed in the Big Fish River and these were inoculated with the fertilized eggs of Dolly Varden charr. The spawning population of Dolly Varden charr was also monitored.

163 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-012 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Husky Lake

Year of Research: 1996

Stock Assessment - Husky Lake

A general assessment of the status and utilization of the fish population of Husky Lake was conducted, as well as a general limnological and habitat survey of the lake.

164 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-003 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Big Fish River

Year of Research: 1996

Big Fish River Charr Studies

Newly emerged charr were collected for stomach analysis to determine if early emerging charr suffer increased mortality due to food shortages.

165 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-004 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Rat River

Year of Research: 1996

Rat River Charr Studies

The study was designed to locate spawning areas in the Rat River, as well as to collect samples of resident charr for genetic analysis. The overwintering potential of pools was determined and other overwintering habitats were located.

166 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-014 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Aklavik Traditional Trail

Year of Research: 1996

Aklavik Area Stock Assessment/Habitat Utilization

A determination was made of the abundance and diversity of fish from waterbodies adjacent to the Aklavik Traditional Trail.

167 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-015 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Rat River

Year of Research: 1996

Rat River/Fish Creek Charr Studies

A Petersen estimate of the spawning population of Dolly Varden charr within the Rat River was obtained. Information on the size, sex, and maturity of these fish were also gathered, and up to 500 Floy-type tags were applied for mark-recapture study.

168 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-016 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Hornaday River

Year of Research: 1996

Hornaday River Charr Studies

The study was designed to locate the spawning areas of Arctic charr in the Hornaday River through the study of the distribution of the young of the year charr. Another objective of this study was to observe the movements of the Hornaday River charr over the course of their annual cycle. The results will be incorporated into the development of a fishing plan for the Hornaday River in cooperation with the Paulatuk Hunters and Trappers Committee.

169 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-005 (DFO)

Region: ALL Location: NWT West all areas

Year of Research: 1996

General Program Requirements

This is a general license that is issued to an area biologist to collect fish in the course of their general program. It is neither project nor area specific.

170 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-006 (DFO)

Region: ALL Location: NWT West all areas

Year of Research: 1996

General Program Requirements

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171 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-96/97-017 (DFO)

Region: IN, SS Location: Arctic Red River, Peel River, Slave River

Year of Research: 1996

Ontogenic Comparisons Between Two Populations of Young-of-the-Year Inconnu

Developmental variation was compared between 25 families of two distinct populations of inconnu. Analyses were conducted to determine if developmental differences were genetically or environmentally driven. Eggs and sperm were collected to establish the 25 genetic families from each area, and they compared the growth of the young-of-the-year inconnu from the two different stocks. The demographic characteristics and life history of inconnu within the Slave River were determined, as well as a suite of traits that will assist in differentiating fish stocks that enter the Mackenzie River inconnu fishery. The inter-population variability in population traits such as growth, fecundity, age at maturity and mortality were also established.

1997 Research Projects

Aurora Research Institute Science Licences

Biology

172 Biology

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Reference No: 12 402 597 (ARI)

Region: DC Location: 50 km north of Fort Providence

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: 40 fire scientists from 4 countries - Canada, Russia, USA, and Germany.

International Crown Fire Modelling Experiment (ICFME), Ft. Providence, NWT

In June 1997, after a few small test fires, the first full-scale crown fire was ignited July 1 (Plot A), followed by two additional successful high-intensity crown fires on July 4 (Plot 5) and July 9 (Plot 6). Experimental fires were attempted on several other days but were cancelled due to lack of suitable wind speeds, and/or wind direction. The "burning window" for the first phase (1997) of the ICFME effectively ended with the heavy rains beginning July 10. The three experimental fires were the most complex heavily-instrumented experimental crown fires conducted anywhere in the world to date.

173 Biology

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Region: IN Location: Tuktoyaktuk, Nicholson Island, Kitigazuit, Richards Island, Anderson River Delta, Cape Dalhousie

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Laurie Consaul

Hybridization and Genetic Variation in Arctic Grasses: Molecular, Morphological and Ecological Evidence.

Poa and *Puccinellia* are particularly difficult groups of grasses to identify and understand in the Canadian Arctic. Species occur in disturbed sites, such as river banks, erosion gullies, near animal burrows, and also near human settlements. They are an important indicator species of disturbed environments. We are using DNA techniques to examine genetic variation within and among species of Arctic *Poa* and *Puccinellia*. Collections of live plants and voucher herbarium specimens were made from several sites in the western Arctic (Tuktoyaktuk, Nicholson Island, Kittigazuit, and Richards Island) during the summer 1997 field season. Ecological notes on habitat, abundance, plant community, and reproductive biology were taken for each population sampled. The plants are being analysed in the lab using the technique of DNA restriction site analysis. The variation in DNA among different populations and species throughout the Canadian Arctic will be analysed to study species relationships and hybridization events. Numerous photographs of arctic flowering plants were taken in their natural habitat. These are being used for our long term project, a computer based identification guide to arctic flowering plants.

174 Biology

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Reference No: 12 402 333 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Ponds & lakes - Mackenzie Delta area on Inuvialuit Private Lands near Aklavik, Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Chad Rowe, Andrea Cox, Jonathan Witt, Klaus Schwenk

Genetic Diversity in the Biota of Arctic Lakes

Our research in 1997 involved a broad survey of zooplankton communities from 113 aquatic habitats, spanning 300 km from the NWT-Yukon border east to the Crossley Lakes Region. Over 21 zooplankton species, cyclopoid, calanoid copepods, and cladocerans dominated the fauna. Genetic analyses were conducted in the field on two of the species, while examination of the remaining taxa is in progress at the University of Guelph. Technical summaries of this genetic data will be made available upon their completion. Future plans include expanding the geographic range of the study in order to provide more detailed information about the biogeography and genetic diversity of arctic freshwater zooplankton communities.

175 Biology

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Region: NS Location: Damoti Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Derek Melton, Jim Cassie, Mark Digel, Matt Kennedy, Michael Raine, Wayne Bessie, and Dogrib HTA representative

Damoti Lake Gold Project Environmental/Engineering Baseline Study.

Baseline field investigations were conducted by Golder Associates on behalf of Quest International Resources Corporation (Quest) at the Damoti Lake Gold Project located on Damoti Lake, NT. Field work included surveys of the hydrology, fish and fish habitat, water quality, vegetation, wildlife, archaeological sites, noise and air quality present in the area of the proposed project. Field technical assistance by Jonas Lafferty and Norm Mackenzie, both of whom are Dogrib Treaty 11 members. Water quality sampling found that Damoti and Lardass Lakes have low phosphorous concentrations which results in the lakes being classified as oligotrophic. The baseline concentrations of several metals were elevated in water samples taken from lakes near the camp, including Damoti Lake. These metals were aluminum, barium, manganese, and strontium. Metals in fish tissue samples were generally non-detectable or present in very low concentrations (ie. slightly above detection limits) for barium, chromium, cobalt, molybdenum, nickel, selenium, silver, strontium, and thallium. Some 125 species of birds, 50 species of mammals, and 1 species of amphibian may occur in the project area. Key indicator species were selected for further assessment work to be done in the future, including beaver, mink, black bear, grey wolf, caribou, moose, mallard, and peregrine falcon. Archaeological surveys of the area found one site of pre-historic occupation. No historic period materials of any antiquity were found, and neither was there any indication of sites reflecting traditional land use by aboriginal communities.

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Region: SA Location: Tulita and Norman Wells

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Mark Ealey, Laurie Buckland or Tony Calverly

Wildlife and Fisheries Habitat Survey at Ranger Oil's Exploratory Drilling Project near Tulita (Fort Norman).

The main objective was to establish baseline wildlife and fisheries habitat conditions prior to start of Ranger Oil's winter exploration drilling program. All sampling was done over a 2-3 day period in mid-September. Three well sites were planned for drilling. Well site 1 is near Nota Creek and accessed by the Norman Wells-Tulita winter road, plus an existing short outline. Well site 2 is near Bear Rock and accessed by regular winter road, plus 1.5 km of existing outline. Well site 3 is west of the Mackenzie River and north of the Little Bear River. Wildlife surveys were done at all three well sites. The data collection was primarily observational and included visual surveys, scat counts, and ground travel on foot to establish den/nest locations. Fisheries work was done near well site 3 only, as some new ice roads will be created to access this location. The proposed ice road will cross two watercourses; the Slater River and one unnamed creek adjacent to the Mackenzie River. Field work included preparation of detailed maps showing instream riparian fish habitat at all crossing locations. A fisheries census was done at each proposed crossing to establish the character of the fish community prior to road travel. Fish were sampled using electroshocking equipment and seine nets where appropriate. Sampling focussed only on species presence/absence, but individuals from species difficult to identify were collected for later identification.

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Reference No: 12 402 595 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Public/camp sites along the Dempster highway

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Mitsuko Nakamura

Butterfly Fauna of the Western Northwest Territories

Butterflies were observed and some specimens were collected along the Dempster Highway in the western part of the NWT in late June to early July. The areas covered were limited to within a few miles from the road. Sample specimens were secured as representatives of the local populations, and to provide definitive identification. Altogether, 98 specimens of approximately 20 species were obtained, and a complete list will be forthcoming following further work with the Canadian National Collection in Ottawa. The time limitation and unfavourable weather did not permit a more comprehensive survey of the area's butterfly fauna, but the trip did provide a valuable preliminary result for future studies, particularly a study of various areas away from the Highway.

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Region: SS Location: Wood Buffalo National Park along highway No. 5

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Nahoko Kurachi, Masumi Miyaura, Tomiyasu Miyaura, Hiroo Yamada

Reconstruction of Forest Structure and Function in Canadian Taiga

The researchers went to Wood Buffalo National Park for a study of the historical changes of jack pine forests, such as the changes in structure and various functional amounts of a forest over time. They were interested in learning the details of the development patterns of these forests to determine if the forests are responding to environmental changes which are the result of global warming. Most activities consisted of re-measuring jack pine stands that were examined in 1992 using various kinds of measuring tapes and a specially designed pole for measuring heights. A few stands were studied by taking stem samples for examination of tree rings and tree growth that occurred in the past. This involved cutting about 30 trees of various sizes. Detrimental activity to the forest environment was minimized by allowing enough distance between the trees selected for cutting. They plan to compare the results of their research in the Northwest Territories to the data from similar studies in central Siberia.

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Reference No: 12 402 600 (ARI)

Region: SS, DC, NS Location: sites of old forest fires along Highways 1, 2 and 5 (near Fort Smith & Hay River)

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Ian Nalder, one or two field assistants

Post-Fire Decomposition of Woody Material and Post-Fire Habitat Structures in the Western Canadian Boreal Forest.

Burned areas of different ages have been identified from fire-history maps and data bases provided by the Forest Management Division of the NWT in Fort Smith. Chosen fires were located along Highways 1, 2, and 5; the exact location of the sites was documented by using GPS-equipment. A total of three species (Jack Pine, Black Spruce, and Trembling Aspen) were sampled per selected fire. On the sites a total of 40 to 50 samples of wood were collected, consisting of disks approximately 2-5 cm thick. 30 samples were collected from dead and downed trees, 10 samples from standing dead trees (where available), and 10 samples were collected from trees that regenerated on site or survived the fire (the tree sizes were below merchantable timber sizes). The sampled trees were chosen randomly using the line intersected method. The disks were taken using only manual saws; no chainsaws or any other powered equipment was used on site. The specific gravity of the samples is presently being measured for statistical analysis.

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Region: NS, SS

Location: Pine Point and Yellowknife & surroundings

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dipl.- Geogr. Bettina Wittenberg

Studies on the Past, Present and Future Ecological Impact on Canadian Northern Boreal Forest and Arctic Ecosystems Due to Mining Activities, Shown at the Great Slave Lake area, Northwest Territories, Canada

The research done in the period from July to September 1997 includes the theoretical study of scientific literature dealing with the impact of mining and settlement in the arctic, subarctic, and boreal environments (University of Alberta in Edmonton, local official libraries in Yellowknife), as well as practical ecological field work at selected investigation sites in Yellowknife and Pine Point. In Yellowknife, the research focussed on the health and biodiversity of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems with variable human impact by mining and settlement within and outside the city limits. The specified lakes and ponds (Frame Lake, Range Lake, Kam Lake, Jackfish Lake, Trapper Lake, Mist Lake) were examined regarding their physical (water temperature, water depth, clouding, etc.), chemical (contaminant contents in water and sediment samples, pH and conductivity, etc.), and especially biological (biocoenosis of invertebrate aquatic animals) properties. The vegetation studies at selected sites (dense black spruce stands, light tree stands on outcrops, ruderal and roadside sites) include the determination of species composition, diversity, fertility, and vitality in the tree, shrub and moss/lichen layer in relation to the contamination of soil and leaf samples due to the man-made stress. In Pine Point, the abandoned mining site near the town of Hay River, similar analyses and measurements were done at disturbed and mostly forest or even vegetation free sites (former town site, former mill site, tailingspond, spoil banks, roads, air strip, now water-filled pits) in order to understand the process of recovery, revegetation, and recolonization in the boreal habitats after the direct human impact had stopped. Please note that these research activities are part of a longer research project which will be continued in summer 1998.

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Region: IN

Location: Ikhil K-35, Caribou Hills and a 50 km right-of way to Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Derek A. Melton, Tony Calverly, Inuvik HTC representative

Vegetation Survey for the Ikhil Gas Development

The field survey was undertaken between September 25th and 28th, 1997 to obtain additional information on wildlife and wildlife habitat to ensure that potential environmental impacts are avoided or minimised to the greatest extent possible. Fisheries work was also carried out, as was a brief directed traditional knowledge study for the study area. A regional study area comprised approximately 2500 km² area around the three well sites, plus a 5 km buffer. Apart from existing outline, all project components were surveyed on the ground. Sketch maps were made of all project components, noting vegetation types and any wildlife or signs of their presence. Special attention was made to search for features that could be disturbed by the winter project, such as dens or stick nests of raptors. None was found during the survey in the study area. Sign of woodland caribou, moose wolf, black bear, and beaver were present in the study area, and all but wolf were observed in the regional study area. Along with fisheries data, these observations have allowed for additional suggested mitigation activities for the project, which will be included in a final report to be finalised soon.

Contaminants

182 Contaminants

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Reference No: 12 402 596 (ARI)

Region: NS Location: Bluefish Lake, Duncan Lake and Baptiste Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Yellowknives Dene First Nation

Mercury Concentration of Two Lakes on the Yellowknife River System Affected by the Bluefish Hydrodam

Field sampling was conducted between July 29 and August 4, 1997. All sampling was conducted with the participation of three members of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation (two youths and an elder) and a contractor. Representative samples of fish, water, and sediment were collected from Duncan, Bluefish, and Baptiste Lakes and submitted to either Taiga Environmental Laboratory or Flett Research Ltd. for mercury analysis. Fish information collected included the age, sex, weight, and length. Laboratory results for the fish, water, and sediment analysis have been received and the Yellowknives Dene First Nation notified. The final report will be prepared jointly with the Yellowknives Dene First Nation.

Fossils

183 Fossils

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Region: IN Location: Anderson River, 31 km east of Simpson Lake and 8.5 km SE of Ennak Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Richard Day (Can. Museum of Nature), Dr. Oliver Hampe (Museum fur Naturkunde), John Chorn (Univ. of Kansas, Museum of Natural History)

Early Devonian Bony Fishes and the Relationships of Lungfishes

Research was conducted July 17-August 3, along the Anderson River about 300 km east of Inuvik. High water prevented the collection of fossils from one locality, but the limestone rocks near our camp contained good fossil material from an ancient ocean which covered this part of North America about 400 million years ago. We found marine plants, and many invertebrate fossils, including eurypterids, sometimes known as "sea scorpions." Our major finds were the fossilised bones of fish. We uncovered fossils of lungfish (air-breathing fishes which live today in freshwater in Africa, Australia, and South America), and two kinds of porolepiforms, extinct lobe-finned fishes somewhat like the coelacanth, the "living fossil" discovered off the coast of Africa earlier this century. We also found a number of complete specimens of *Dialipina*, the earliest known relative of modern ray-finned fishes. These 10-20cm long fish were covered in very distinctive scales. For the first time we found a number of complete tiny fish (2-3 cm long) with big spines, called acanthodians (an extinct group). We also collected rock samples which will be examined for tiny fossils under microscopes to find better clues to the age of these important Anderson River fossils.

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Region: SS, DC

Location: South Mackenzie area near Hay River, Kakisa & Enterprise

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dr. Maya Elrick (University of New Mexico) Dr. Michael Whalen (University of Alaska-Fairbanks)

Investigation of Late Devonian Faunal Extinction's in the Ancient Tropical Ocean in Western Canada: Hay River Area-Southern Northwest Territories

The Hay River region features complete well preserved Upper Devonian deposits that accumulated over a span of time when known or suspected major species extinctions, sea level, and climate changes have been detected in other sites in North America, Europe, and Asia. The goals of the project were to (1) collect new detailed fossil data to allow for more accurate age estimates of Upper Devonian deposits in the Hay River region and adjacent areas of western Canada; to (2) study and document sea level and climate changes during the Late Devonian time interval (approx. 8 million years in duration); and (3) to study rates and possible causes of species extinctions in the tropical ocean recorded by rocks and fossil sequence in the region. The researchers conducted field work at 16 sites situated along the Hay River and along the Mackenzie Highway in the southern Northwest Territories from June 6 to June 21, 1997. Sampling was done with rock hammers and are being analysed at Illinois States University. Measurement of rocks at sites was done with portable hand-held compasses, transits, ruled tapes, and stadia rods. All sites were documented photographically, and all were located with GIS instruments and topographic maps. Rock sample size varied depending on if they were collected for microfossils, larger animal fossils, or chemical and physical studies of rock textures and chemistry. After analysis, description, and photographic documentation, all fossil specimens will be permanently placed at the Institute of Sedimentary and Petroleum Geology at Geological Survey of Canada in Calgary.

Geology

185 Geology

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Region: NS Location: Yellowknife to Watta Lake and north of Lac de Gras; Acarta River area, Point Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dr. John Waldron, Dr. Walter Roert, Dr. John Ketchum, Dr. Bill Davis, Dr. Richard Stern, Dr. Kathryn Bethune, Brian Shane Wilksinson

Thematic Structural Stratigraphic, and Geochronological Studies of the Slave Structural Province.

The study focuses on the relationship between the old rocks in the central, southern, and western part of the Slave Province and the adjacent volcanic and sedimentary rocks. Small camps were established to facilitate daily traverses by boat or foot to study the local rocks and fist-sized samples were taken of interesting rocks. A more detailed outline of basement rocks has been proposed. The stratigraphy of the overlying volcanic and sedimentary rocks has been refined and is being worked in further detail, applying state-of-the-art isotopic dating techniques. Interim results have been published in the Geological Survey of Canada's Current Research Papers, and a number of papers have been submitted to the Canadian Journal of Earth Sciences. Final results will be compiled on maps and these will be incorporated in a new geoscientific atlas of the Slave Province. Detailed and up-to-date geological maps and geoscientific data are essential to land use planning by various government and stakeholders. Results are also being disseminated yearly at the Yellowknife Geoscience Forum.

186 Geology

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Reference No: 12 404 533 (ARI)

Region: SA Location: Area west & south of Dal Lake (145 km East of Wrigley)

Year of Research: 1997

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Geology and Mineral Occurrences of the Ravens Throat Area, Mackenzie Mountains, N.W.T.

The project was conducted from tent fly-camps within the study area. Each camp was occupied for approximately 5-7 days. Our work consisted of daily hikes from our camps, during which our observations of the rock types and mineral occurrences were noted on 1:50,000-scale topographic maps and air photos. Data collection was made using standard geological methods (rock hammer and compass), with occasional use of Global Positioning System (GPS) technology. Field data was entered in digital format during field work. Occasional rock samples (approx. 10x5x5 cm) were collected for further examination and analyses in the laboratory.

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Region: DC Location: central Kotaneelee Range near Ft. Liard

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Denise Hodder, one other researcher

Geological Mapping 95 C/8 - South Kotaneelee Anticline and 95 B/5 and 12.

Parts of the Kotaneelee and La Biche ranges were mapped at 1:50 000 scale during the summer of 1997 to provide a regional context for more detailed mapping. This work builds on mapping by M.R. McDonough (1995 and 1996), donated by Husky Oil Operations Ltd; mapping by T. Kubli (1996), made available by Norcen Resources Ltd; and a 1:250 000 scale compilation map by Douglas (1974). The map pattern of the Babiche Mountain and Chinkeh Creek map areas is controlled by broad, west-verging detachment box folds of the Kotaneelee and La Biche anticline-syncline pairs. Many previously inferred faults do not exist. Anticlines are cored by the Devonian to Lower Carboniferous Besa River and Lower Carboniferous Mattson formations, and flanked by Permian rocks of the informal Tika map unit (previously considered Mattson Formation) and Fantasque Formation. Synclines are filled with Cretaceous Fort St. John Group strata.

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Geology

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Year of Research: 1997

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Using Drilling Mud Sumps to Determine How Well Permafrost Contains Contaminants

Abandoned drilling mud sumps in the Mackenzie Delta area provide an opportunity to examine how well permafrost contains industrial wastes. The sumps are not presently considered to pose any kind of environmental hazard, but they do offer a unique opportunity to determine the effectiveness of permafrost as a containment for waste fluids containing water soluble salts. Conventional water disposal practise has tended to treat permafrost as impermeable, but unfrozen water typically present in permafrost, thawing ice fabric, or climate warming may render this assumption invalid. Results from spring 1997 field work on two sumps show that salt has migrated beyond the original confines of the pit. High electrical conductivity around the rims of sump mounds suggest that seepage shortly after burial caused fluid to be squeezed upwards along the edges of the pits where confinement by overfilling was least. Core samples show that potassium chloride, commonly added to muds to lower the freezing point, has migrated at least 10m beyond the sump edge through the active layer, and is also present in the permafrost below. Because there is no topographic gradient to induce groundwater flow, this movement must be due to diffusion alone. The probable importance of groundwater in promoting migration will be addressed during 1998 field work.

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Geology

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Region: SA Location: Sekwi Brook North, Sekwi Brook South & Ingta Ridge

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: G.M. Narbonne, R.W. Dalrymple, R. Brown

Terminal Proterozoic Events in Northwestern Canada

Field work was done in three places: Shale Lake, Sekwi Brook North, and Sekwi Brook South. G.M. Narbonne and R.W. Dalrymple spent four days at Shale Lake doing a basic survey of the site's geology. Most of the work was done at the other two sites by R.B. MacNaughton and J.M. Cole. We studied the rocks in the geological units called the Gametrail, Blueflower, and Risky Formations, and interpreted how they were formed. The Gametrail and Blueflower Formations formed in deep ocean basins, whereas the Risky Formation formed in much more shallow ocean waters. After the Risky Formation was formed, its top was strongly eroded before younger rocks were deposited on top of it. The Gametrail and Blueflower Formations contain examples of some of the oldest animal fossils known in the world. Body fossils and fossilized animal burrows are both present. We will use our new knowledge about the environments in which the Gametrail and Blueflower Formations rocks formed to tell us more about how these animals lived.

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Year of Research: 1997

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Active layer monitoring network in the Mackenzie Valley

During July and August 1997, the 7th annual survey of the active layer monitoring system in the Mackenzie Valley was completed, from Fort Simpson to the Arctic coast. Two sites were lost to animal damage and ice in the delta, and one was restored. The sites now number 58. Water-filled clear plastic observation tubes record maximum depth of thaw each year. Air and ground temperature loggers provide a thermal record at many sites. When possible, sites are close to automatic weather stations and are shared with research groups doing complimentary work. Along this 1400 km transect, active layer thickness varies more as a result of local factors, related to situation, than to regional climate, associated with latitude. Though the spatial variation is complex, over the last 5 to 7 years, thaw penetration is increasing at many sites over much of the system. Sites north of Norman Wells did not show the normal increase last season, perhaps as a result of the cold July and August 1996. In the longer term, measurements from this transect could be used to help model climate change impact on near surface permafrost in this fragile environment.

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191 Health

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Region: IN, SA

Location:

Inuvik, Aklavik, Ft. Good Hope, Ft. McPherson, Tuktoyaktuk, Deline & Tulita

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dr. C.W. MacNeil, Henry Pabst, D. Robert Shea, Dawn McCullum

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Effect: Following of Northern Infants at Risk

This study was originally planned for 1994 as a follow-up to the Northern Infant Nutrition Study (NINS) in the Inuvik Zone, however, the study was unable to proceed until 1996/97. This study involved the assessment of elementary school children with data collection involving questionnaires, physical and psychometric testing, and school achievement testing. All of the above was done in the local health centre or in the school. There was no lab work or other invasive procedures. Parents were required to give their consent for their children to be involved in the study. The study was explained in detail to ensure that informed consent was obtained and confidentiality was maintained. The testing was done so that the researcher was the only one who knew which children had alcohol exposure. Individual results were kept confidential, although parents were informed of their children's results. This study furthers the present knowledge of the effect of exposure to alcohol during pregnancy on the child and underlines the need for prevention and remedial programs.

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Region: DC Location: Fort Providence

Year of Research: 1997

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The Genetic Basis of Seronegative Spondyloarthropathy in the Northwest Territories

Researchers from the Universities of British Columbia and Alberta are in the midst of a research project aimed at identifying the genetic basis for ankylosing spondylitis in the community of Fort Providence. Late in 1997, a genetic field worker and a rheumatologist visited Fort Providence to undertake clinical examinations and x-ray's of individuals from a large family living in Fort Providence. After careful planning, together with staff at the local health centre, the family was examined, blood samples were taken, and x-ray's performed on adults of this family. A few more individuals from this family are still being screened to complete the study. Blood from this study was sent to researchers in Vancouver for genetic analyses which are currently being planned. These are expected to take another year. However, preliminary analysis from the study shows a strong predisposition to ankylosing spondylitis in the Fort Providence community. It is unlikely that this form of arthritis is due solely to environmental factors as there is certainly a concentration of this disorder within certain nuclear families within the larger kindred. We hope to have the genetic analyses completed by the end of 1999, by which time, we hope to have elucidated a possible genetic mechanism resulting in this crippling condition within this community.

Physical Sciences

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Reference No: 12 404 116 (ARI)

Region: SA Location: 10 km North of Tulita

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Studies of the Environmental Effects of Disturbances in the Subarctic

On June 7 1995, a forest fire burned through the SEEDS camp and research site that was established in 1984, 10km north of Tulita. During May 1996, the research site was reactivated with new automated weather stations and an unburned forest site (3km north of the original site) was instrumented for comparison. The research initiated in 1996 was continued in 1997. In February 1997, detailed snow sampling was also conducted to compare the snowpack on the burned and unburned areas. The 1997 summer field season began in May and continued until mid-August. The automated microclimate stations were modified to attach sensors used only in the summer (eg. sensors to measure the amount of sun energy absorbed by the soil). Two topographic surveys were completed (June and August). In August, a survey was conducted to determine soil characteristics at depth using ground penetrating radar. A breeding bird survey was done in mid-July. Vegetation work included plant stage development during the growing season, as well as species identification and visual estimates of their cover.

194 Physical Sciences

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Reference No: 12 404 325 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Richards Island (Illisarvik), Garry Island

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Alex Elanik, Anne-Pascale Bartleman

Investigations of Ground Ice Development in Sediments of the Mackenzie Delta Area.

In 1997, we continued investigations of ground ice conditions at Illisarvik on Richards Island. We surveyed the deformation of ground beside ice wedges to examine how the ground is displaced by seasonal expansion and contraction. We began a geophysical survey of the drained lake bed to investigate changes since a similar survey in 1982 associated with the development of permafrost on the lake bottom. We continued data collection of air and ground temperatures on a transect from Inuvik to Pelly Island to determine how growing season conditions change with distance from the coast. Finally, in the spring, we completed data collection on the electrical conditions in lake water during winter, a project that was conducted in collaboration with the Aurora Research Institute.

195 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Cache Creek Basin, Aklavik Range

Year of Research: 1997

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Water Quality in the Richardson Mountain Catchments

The objectives of this research were to study the chemistry of the groundwater that flow into the Little Fish River near the Cache Creek overwintering hole. The role of carbonate rocks is important as there is a lot of subsurface flow in this rock type. The presence of the aufeis (winter icing) on Cache Creek is a sign of groundwater flow, and is one of the reasons that this site was chosen. We studied the chemistry of the groundwater at these two sites to compare the effect of different rock types. We sampled water from springs and seeps in the area, as well as river water and surface water. These samples were chemically analysed at our laboratory at the University of Ottawa. Results show that the water of the Cache Creek area which flow through Fish Hole have a chemistry dominated by calcium and bicarbonate which is typical for surface waters and groundwater throughout the region. However, there was also a component of sodium and chloride salinity which is responsible for a significant portion of the river water salinity at baseflow. Studies show that these spring waters are locally recharged, likely on the Richardson Mountains. Another aspect of the work was to look at the effect of methane production on groundwater in the catchment. The results show that bacterial methane was produced in many of the shallow groundwater sampled, and affected the CaHCO_3 component of the water chemistry in the runoff from this basin. This information provides an understanding of what controls the chemistry of this runoff, and how it may be changing with global warming. This data is important to understanding how a warmer climate in the north will affect the land in this region, and it may also help understand changes to the water and how this may affect fish.

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Region: DC, NS

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Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dr. R.M. Ellis, UBC, Vancouver; Dr. I. Asudeh, GSC, Ottawa; Dr. G.D. Spence, U. of Victoria, Victoria; plus a field crew (approx. 60 people)

Slave - Northern Cordillera Refraction Experiment (SNORE 97)

This refraction seismic project was part of larger transect which extends from Yellowknife to Stewart on the west coast of British Columbia. It is part of the sequence of Earth & Ocean Science studies to provide an in-depth image of the deep structure of the Earth throughout the region and will help to define the sequence of emplacement of various types of rock formations in the region. Recording sites were marked and their precise location determined by Global Positioning System procedures. Each site is drilled with one to three holes, 50-60m deep and about 30m apart. The holes are packed with explosives and sealed at the surface to await detonation. It took approx. 2-3 weeks in July to drill and load 12 sites. In late August/early September, instruments were prepared for deployment by digging a small hole, 50cm deep, 20-30cm in diameter, in which the seismometer was firmly placed and the hole was then filled and tamped. If the site was on bedrock, the seismometer was placed on bedrock. The seismometer was connected to a recorder which records ground vibrations. Following detonations, crews were sent to pick up equipment and related materials. Data recorded by each seismograph was uploaded into a computer and the complete data analysis and interpretation will take 2-3 years to complete. However, record sections of the data from each shot have been compiled and these show excellent signal-to-noise characteristics. Thus the acquisition phase of the project was highly successful. Analysis and interpretation of the extensive data set is currently in progress at the University of British Columbia.

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Region: NS Location: Beniah Lake, Drybones Lake & Point Lake

Year of Research: 1997

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Volcanological and Sedimentological Evolution of the Slave Province along the Beniah Lk. Fault

The field crew was divided into two teams for the purpose of conducting two separate studies. One team studied the quartzite arenites (sedimentary rocks) in the area, while the other team mapped and sampled the volcanic sequence. The second team also spent some time in the Point Lake area working in similar geological terrain. The methodology of the first team included mapping outcrops on a regional and detailed scale to deduce contact relationships between older and younger rock types, and to identify the sedimentary structures characteristic of the formation. They also measured bedding and foliation directions to help determine the deformation in the area. A number of samples were collected for thin section study, which helped in characterizing the depositional environment. The result show that the quartz arenites were deposited in a shallow-water environment in a stable shelf setting. The second team also conducted large- and small-scale mapping, and sampled extensively for geochemical analysis. The results indicate that the volcanic rocks were emplaced in a subaqueous setting associated with arc or back-arc rifting. The rocks show geochemical features of crustal contamination, suggesting that they erupted through continental crust. The up-section change from quartz arenites to subaqueous volcanic rocks indicates continued basin subsidence caused by rifting -- a feature commonly recorded in Archean terrains.

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Reference No: 12 404 074 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Sachs Harbour, along coastal bluffs

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Cryolithology and Permafrost Studies, Sachs River Lowlands and Sachs Harbour Vicinity

Field investigations in the Sachs Harbour townsite in August 1997 involved the examination of a number of disused ice cellars, most between 1-4m deep, which were constructed by local residents in the late 1950's and onwards, and the communal ice cellar approximately 1.0 km to the east of the village. The researcher studied the cryostructures which occur in perennially frozen, unconsolidated ice rich sediments. The aim of all these investigations is to develop an in-depth understanding of the permafrost conditions in and around the Sachs Harbour settlement in order to (1) minimize terrain disturbance, (2) identify local aggregate sources, and (3) develop a landscape evolution model for the southern flank of the Sachs Harbour ridge under periglacial (i.e. cold climate) conditions. Reconnaissance was also undertaken to identify the location of a possible circumpolar active layer monitoring (CALM) site.

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Region: SS Location: Fort Smith

Year of Research: 1997

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Ground-based Auroral Observations in Conjunction with the FAST Satellite

During the spring of 1997, the Geophysical Institute of the University of Alaska installed an automated all-sky television camera at the Upper Air Station in Fort Smith. The purpose of the all-sky camera was to obtain images of the aurora during passes of the FAST satellite, and to obtain a general collection of aurora video recordings as part of the International Aurora Study. Over the period from January 7 to April 14, 1997, we obtained 98 rolls of video tape, including 51 rolls with active aurora. The camera was operating during thirteen passes of the FAST satellite. Of these, the sky was cloudy during eight passes. During two passes the sky was clear, but there was no aurora. On three passes there was aurora. Two of the passes had particularly interesting aurora. One showed an array of large nested loops. Another was the beginning of a major brightening and poleward expansion of the aurora. In addition to the FAST passes, the recordings include a good variety of auroral forms such as spirals, omega bands, and pulsating aurora. These will be useful for general auroral studies. The data have all been logged, but have not yet been analysed.

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Region: SA Location: within 40 miles of Camp 222 and from Mile 53 to 113

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Rob Young, Stewart Brown, Linda and Eric Kershaw

Ecological and Geomorphological Investigations in the Alpine Tundra of the Mackenzie Mountains, NWT.

In 1997, researchers were in the Canol study area from late-June to August. Automated weather stations were serviced and the stored data recovered. During July-August, detailed studies were completed on the natural recovery of Canol Project disturbances between Mile 56 and 111 of the Canol Heritage Trail. A total of 690 vegetation quadrants were assessed and permanently marked for future survey. Plant studies included identification of plants and estimates of their cover. Data analysis continues on this study. A small study was initiated in an attempt to determine if solifluction lobes (slow-moving earth lobes) in a valley north of Macmillan Pass, were active. A shallow trench was dug and soil samples removed for lab analysis. An automated weather station was left running in association with the feature. In association with permafrost studies, automated weather stations were left running in the hopes that a seventh year of information could be collected on temperatures (soil and air), wind speed, global radiation, precipitation, and snowpack depth. These data will be useful in the development of theories regarding the presence and status of permafrost landforms in the area.

201 Physical Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta near Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

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Biogeochemistry of Lakes in the Mackenzie Delta

This is an on-going research project and the long-term goal is to develop a biogeochemical model for lakes in the Mackenzie Delta, and ultimately, a more general ecosystem model for lakes in the flood plains & deltas of major world rivers that could help assess the effects of multiple stresses on rivers as a result of global change. Specific goals for the 1997 season included evaluating the rates of growth among specialized groups of aquatic plants among a set of lakes that range from non-transparent to relatively transparent (Ph. D. thesis project of Squires) and evaluating of the average amount of light available for plant growth in the same set of lakes. Ms. Squires spent July and August identifying potential study sites and performing initial fieldwork. She found a lake chain with a consistent gradient in turbidity which will be exploited for more detailed investigations during 1998 field season. We also installed a number of recording light meters that were able to measure the variation in water turbidity (capacity of water currents to carrying large quantities of particles in suspension) over the course of the summer. Analysis of data from earlier work by Ms. Squires has lead to submission of a publication to "Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic sciences" entitled "Benthic algal response to pulsed versus distributed inputs of sediments & nutrients in a limnocorral experiment in a Mackenzie Delta lake" Authors: Squires and Lesack). More comprehensive analysis of data from earlier work has lead to a publication in "Limnology and oceanography" entitled "Spatial and temporal dynamics of major solute chemistry among Mackenzie Delta lakes " (Authors: Lesak, Marsh, and Hecky).

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Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Sean Nelson

Sedimentary Architecture of Neoproterozoic Sandstones of the Katherine Group

Detailed measurements were made of the three-dimensional geometry fluvial sand bodies in the Neoproterozoic sandstones of the Katherine Group near Keel River in the Mackenzie Mountains, south of Norman Wells, and west of Tulita. These observations are suggestive of a down-stream marine influence on part of the sequence, due to the high angle of side bar slopes and directional attributes of the cross bedding. These observations will lead to a better understanding of how river systems worked before the advent of land plants. Unfortunately, field work was suspended after only one week as my field assistant developed vertigo on the steep scree slopes. Further research will be needed to fully understand the behaviour of these Precambrian giant river systems.

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Region: IN Location: Garry Island, Ilisarvik, West Point, Richards Island.

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Dr. C.R. Burn, Carleton University, Ottawa

Permafrost Studies: Western Arctic Coast

Two weeks of field work were carried out along the coast to the west and east of Tuktoyaktuk, NT in association with Dr. C.R. Burn (Carleton University). At an experimental drained lake site at West Point, Richards Island, measurements were continued for the 19th successive year. Particular attention was devoted to a study of the ice-rich zone so commonly found at the top of permafrost. Samples were collected at the top of permafrost to determine the ice (water) content. The ice-rich zone is of practical importance, for example, in the construction of roads and pipelines. At Garry Island, measurements on the growth and deformation of ice wedge polygons were extended to more than 30 years. Studies at two pingo sites were continued. The first site is about 15 km east of Tuktoyaktuk, where measurements started in 1971, and the second site is near the eastern end of the Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, where measurements started in 1969. The pingos at both sites are underlain by groundwater which is under such a high pressure that sub-pingo water lenses have developed beneath both pingos. The measurements, which are continuing, are designed to detect changes in pingo heights and growth conditions.

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Region: IN Location: Havikpak Creek and Trail Valley Creek

Year of Research: 1997

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Snow Accumulation/Runoff in High Latitude Permafrost Basins

During 1997 we carried out detailed field studies in the Inuvik area. This work looked at the factors controlling the movement of energy and water between the land surface and the atmosphere during the spring snowmelt period. This controls both the supply of energy and water to the atmosphere, as well as snowmelt and therefore spring runoff in the streams and rivers. The long term objective of these studies is to provide an improved ability to predict weather, climate, and water resources. With future uncertainties in climate, and with potential development projects, such improved predictive ability is essential in order to properly manage future environmental change and to adapt to such changes. Our work concentrated on measuring or estimating all of the water entering into our two research areas (Trail Valley Creek and Havikpak Creek). These included snowfall, blowing snow into/out of the basin, sublimation of snow (the process by which the snow is transformed directly to the vapor state without passing through the liquid phase) during blowing events, rainfall, evaporation, and streamflow. This work clearly shows that snow and rain add similar amounts of water to the stream basin, but that because of its many steep slopes that trap snow, more snow actually blows into the Trail Valley Creek basin than is blown out of it. However, a large amount of snow sublimates during blowing snow events. This actually removes snow from the study area prior to it being able to melt and flow into the stream. Once melt occurs, about half of the available water evaporates and the other half leaves the area as streamflow. Ongoing work will compare the results from a number of different years so that we can understand the variation from year to year, and will compare the results from areas on either side of the treeline. This work provides the important data needed to test computer models aimed at predicting all of these components. Such models are very important for predicting the impact of possible climate warming on these environments.

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Region: IN Location: Komakuk Beach (BAR-1), Nicholson Peninsula (BAR-4)

Year of Research: 1997

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Delineation of Komokuk Beach (BAR-1), and Nicholson Peninsula (BAR-4).

An environmental delineation of the BAR-4 Radar site and Komakuk Beach (BAR-1) was conducted late June and early July 1997. The study was undertaken to provide an up-to-date estimate of the volume of soil to be remediated in order that tender drawings could be finalized prior to the commencement of the cleanup in 1998, and to determine the PCB content of paint at the site. The main areas of contaminated soil at BAR-4 were in the sewage outfall, where untreated sewage was discharged through copper pipes, and in the two POL storage pads, where leaded fuel was spilled. At BAR-1, the contaminants of greatest concern were petroleum hydrocarbons and lead, both of which are associated with earlier fuel spills. An engineering investigation was also conducted to evaluate the general conditions of the site, to inventory buildings and structures, and to investigate the extent and magnitude of debris.

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Region: IN

Location: Richards Island, Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, and Mackenzie Delta Front

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Fred Jodrey

Coastal Impacts of Climate Change

Field surveys were undertaken July-August 1997 to continue monitoring coastal changes at 11 sites along the Beaufort Sea coast. The sites extended from the Alaska border to the Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula and included sites of archaeological significance (Ivvavik Park and Kittigazuit) and the Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk. The program consisted of surveys of the beach and near shore using a combination of high resolution global positions systems and echosounders which allowed us to develop a three dimensional picture of the shape of the beach and near shore. This information is being compared with surveys from previous years in order to measure the amount of change which has taken place. At the same time, we have been compiling data on winds and water levels which can be used to understand the conditions which are responsible for the observed changes. Air photography was flown at selected sites for comparison with historical air photos in order to provide a more complete picture of coastal variability. Sediment samples were taken, and thickness of the active layer was measured at several sites for input into models of coastal evolution. Although data analysis is not yet completed, there have been several useful findings. During the field season, no severe storms occurred and most sites were generally stable. North Head continues to erode at a fairly rapid rate, but most sites in Ivvavik Park did not exhibit large changes. Observations during a small storm at Komakuk Beach were surprising in that they showed a large wave-cut notch below the runway being infilled with gravel during the storm. Wind in early August undermined new ad hoc shore protection (footings from the old school) at the Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk, but had only minor effects on the beaches.

Social Sciences

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Year of Research: 1997

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Policy and Planning for Ancestral Language Literacy in Inuvialuit and Gwich'in Communities.

The goal of this project was to discuss with the Inuvialuit and the Gwich'in their need for means to enhance Ancestral language usage in their communities. The first part of this study was an assessment of the means made available to the communities by the authorities. The researcher then tried to determine how each community was using those means. The study was conducted in Inuvik, Aklavik, Fort McPherson and Tsiigehtchic between September 23 - October 20 1997. A review of the available literature was done and 40 community members were interviewed. This data was integrated in a sociolinguistic description of these communities which includes such topics as the status given to Ancestral languages in the communities; the means made available by the Northwest Territories Government, the Beaufort-Delta Divisional Board of Education and the local authorities to implement specific programs for Ancestral languages; and the role that community members should take in the survival of their Ancestral language. The complete report can be accessed on the Internet through Centre International de Recherche en Aménagement Linguistique site (www.ciral.ulaval.ca)

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Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Dene Graduates of Community Based Teacher Education Programs in the N.W.T.

In this exploratory and narrative study, stories of teaching and learning experiences were gathered from eight aboriginal teachers within the Dogrib Divisional Board of Education. The study provides insight into the teaching and learning experiences of the teachers in a time of extremely rapid cultural change, and reveals both similarities and differences between the traditional Dogrib and Euro-Canadian cultural heritage. The teachers' stories include their own childhood experiences of learning, within both their traditional land-based hunting and gathering cultural heritage and their attendance at Euro-Canadian residential or public schools. They also include the influences leading them to become teachers within their own communities' schools, the successes and difficulties they have encountered as teachers, and their ideas and suggestions regarding the directions their School Board needs to take to meet the needs of the students in the near future. A collaborative approach involved extensive negotiations between participants in the study. Data was collected with tape recordings of narrative-type conversations with Dene teachers, elders, and other community members. Reflective journals, written or oral biographies and autobiographies, observations, and field notes were included in the data collection.

209 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 538 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Aklavik, Fort McPherson, Inuvik and Tsiigehtchic

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Distance Education in the Gwich'in Settlement Area: Its Current Status and Potential Role

The purpose of the study was to determine the current status of distance education in the Gwich'in Settlement Area, to analyse the existing education/training needs, and to make recommendations about the use of distance education methods and strategies to meet those needs. This involved surveying people who were presently or had recently pursued education through this delivery method. The data collected included information about the types of courses/programs, reasons for taking particular courses, structure of the course, support offered by the institution, how helpful the support was to the student, and the outcome of the course. There was complete anonymity and confidentiality of the respondents participating in the survey. A report was developed from the data, and recommendations were produced which may be used to develop a model of distance education which provides appropriate education and training endeavours to meet the needs and desires of the Gwich'in people.

210 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 517 (ARI)

Region: ALL Location: All schools and School Boards in NWT

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

(Home schooling in the Northwest Territories) Parent Choices in Education: Opting out of the Northwest Territories Education System.

This study is a continuation of work from 1996. School Principals had been contacted during the 1996/97 school year to collect data on the number of students involved in home schooling in each community. In the towns of Fort Smith, Hay River, and Yellowknife, parents of home schooling children were contacted through the principals to participate in tape recorded interviews. The data collection was limited to mail, phone, FAX, and personal contacts.

211 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 541 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Literacy in the Far North: A Case Study of One Adolescent

The purpose of the project was to document the nature of a struggling adolescent reader's reading experiences including types of materials read, the reading settings and functions, and socio-cultural factors that influence reading. This research will involve a series of interviews of one adolescent and a reading diary will be prepared by the participant. The researcher will obtain informed consent from the participant and parental permission, and participant confidentiality will be maintained by identifying the individual by a pseudonym and general descriptors. Interviews will be tape recorded and transcribed, and the results will be written as an article for *Communicate*, the professional newsletter for the NWT Teachers Association, community presentation to teachers, parents and other interested individuals. The research proposal was accepted by York University, but no other progress has been made to date.

212 Social Sciences

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Region: NS Location: Yellowknife

Year of Research: 1997

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Community Wellness in the Northwest Territories: Indicators and Social Policy

As the foundation for the development of a common language about community, the researcher sought to define a healthy northern community and develop an instrument for the measurement of community wellness. A definition of community wellness and its measures composed a draft instrument derived from the literature on the quality of life, sustainable community, healthy community, and moral community movements as well as northern public policy documents. Designed for adaptation, application, and maintenance at the local and regional levels, the Community Wellness Instrument and its output, a wellness index, were based on available administrative and publicly collected statistics. The Instrument is a tool -- a means by which the Northwest Territories government and its communities can assess community socio-economic condition, gain insights to causal relationships, and mutually design policies and intervention strategies that will optimize effectiveness and the building of a more just society. The study measures the condition of the Territories' 58 communities, using the Instrument and statistical analyses to examine the relationships between socio-economic indicators; the differences among the communities based on their size, population composition, and administrative region; and to identify the best predictors of the Community Wellness Index. The project's findings and conclusions include implications of community wellness measurement and reporting to political accountability, policy-making, bureaucratic organisation, and administrative practice in Canada's north, along with recommendations for change and further study.

213 Social Sciences

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Region: IN Location: Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Abe Stewart

The Potential for FAS/FES Prevention in the Inuvik Community

The project methodology consisted of a literature search and a questionnaire. The literature search was done via the Internet, and the questionnaire was distributed to the communities of Inuvik, Aklavik, Tsiigehtchic, Fort McPherson, and Tuktoyaktuk. The literature search resulted in a report on recent developments in FAS/FAE research and a discussion of the definitions, characteristics, and causes of FAS/FAE. The results of the questionnaire show that all the communities surveyed see FAS/FAE as a problem. There is a significant need for FAS/FAE prevention work as little seems to have been done in the past to prevent this totally preventable condition. The people of the communities surveyed were very open about their knowledge of FAS/FAE and are looking for some education on the subject. A brochure in English, Gwich'in, and Inuvialuit was also produced for distribution.

214 Social Sciences

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Region: IN, NS, SS Location: Yellowknife, Ft. Smith, Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

The Internet as a Research and Communications Tool: the Promise and Reality

The goal of this project was to examine the effects the Net is having on the research and communication practices of post-secondary students. A "Net as a Research and Communication Tool" framework was adopted for the study, which utilised a combined quantitative and qualitative methodology. Students at Aurora College, Canada (surveyed between January and March 1997) and at Griffith University in Brisbane, Australia (surveyed in April 1997) served as the study subjects. 293 students participated from Aurora College, though only 272 surveys were considered usable. Of the 272, 138 students indicated that they were using the Net. 149 students participated from Griffith, and of the 140 usable surveys, 80 indicated that they were using the Net. Statistical indices are being developed from the survey data to explore the relationship between a) age, sex, and access, and b) usage, utility, and value. Focus group sessions and case study interviews with select Griffith students took place April 27-29, 1998. This qualitative data will highlight issues not fully explored in the survey. The final publication of the completed study is expected in early 1999.

215 Social Sciences

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Region: NS, SS Location: All communities in North Slave and South Slave Regions

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: L. McNeil

A Socio-Economic Impact Assessment of the 5034 project

This research was a continuation of the study started in 1996. Data on current conditions was collected through a literature review of government reports, through telephone conversations with community leaders and administrators and, when possible, visits to the communities.

216 Social Sciences

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Region: NS Location: Yellowknife

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Peter Kulchyski (Trent University), Andrew Pagak Sr. (Iqaluit)

The History of the Inuit Residential School System, under the Federal Government of Canada, 1955-1967.

The researcher planned to interview approximately 15 people in Yellowknife who went to schools in Yellowknife, Churchill, or Chesterfield. Unfortunately, he was unable to travel to Yellowknife that year due to unexpected circumstances.

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Reference No: 12 410 533 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk, and Aklavik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Mae Cockney, Joey Amos, Alan Fehr, Dr. Jack Mathias

Developing a Management Framework for Establishing Marine Protected Areas in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region: A Case Study of Beluga

The purpose of the research is to evaluate marine protection mechanisms for beluga management in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR). Field work was conducted from June 20-July 4, 1997 in order to assess the effectiveness of the Beaufort Sea Beluga Management Plan (BSBMP) from the perspective of the Inuvialuit. While in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR), the researcher spoke with academics, members of co-management committees, federal government representatives, local hunters and trappers, etc. Presentations were also made to various groups. In addition, the researcher obtained permission to visit various whaling camps. The researcher learned that the Inuvialuit are not against development as long as activities do not affect their most important resource harvesting regions.

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Reference No: 12 410 528 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Solvent Abuse Prevention Program

The first step in carrying out the duties of the Solvent Abuse Prevention Program was for the assigned staff to learn about solvents, their abuse, and the current resources in the community. These activities were carried out during the months of May and June, 1996. Next, it was important to find out how much evidence there was in Inuvik regarding active sniffing. To this end, the workers gathered evidence of sniffing and identified some of the locations in the Inuvik area where these activities were taking place. In the next phase of the project, initial contact was made with the schools regarding the giving of presentations to both students and teachers. A tentative Solvent Abuse Education package was developed. This package was used to conduct 15 presentations in different classrooms at both schools in Inuvik during the week of November 18 to 22 (National Addictions Awareness Week). Data collection included questionnaires to businesses, schools, and law enforcement and medical personnel within the Town of Inuvik. The questions focussed on the community organizations and agencies knowledge of solvent abuse in the community. The questionnaire responses were incorporated into a final report. This information package was distributed throughout the entire community.

219 Social Sciences

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Reference No: 12 410 536 (ARI)
Region: SA Location: Fort Good Hope
Year of Research: 1997
Other members of team: self

The Origin of the Masuzumi Family

The researcher stayed in Fort Good Hope from July 21-August 19, 1997 where he researched the origins of the Masuzumi family, focussing most closely on the life of Hiroki Masuzumi. The researcher stayed with one of Hiroki's grandson's, Alfred Masuzumi, and listened to the details of Hiroki's life and how he came to live in Fort Good Hope. The researcher also stayed in a Fish Camp in order to experience how Hiroki had lived. This research trip was designed as a "fact finding" mission and does not constitute enough to fill up a biography, but the work will continue in future years.

220 Social Sciences

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Region: ALL Location: Inuvik, Yellowknife, Ft. Smith, Ft. Resolution, Ft. Rae, Ft. Good Hope,
Ft. Simpson, Hay River
Year of Research: 1997
Other members of team: self

Distance Education Strategy - Aurora College 1997-2000

The research involved collecting baseline data from previous and current distance education initiatives that the College has been engaged in, and examining strategies employed by other educational organizations. In addition, a needs assessment was conducted in order to identify opportunities for program delivery via distance education technology.

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Reference No: 12 410 534 (ARI)

Region: IN

Location: Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk, Sachs Harbour

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

Organizational Constraints and Opportunities of Entrepreneurial Tourism Activity in the Western Arctic

The research was designed to provide a potential "streamlined" model for the application and approval process of tourism entrepreneurs in the Western Arctic. The researcher was based in Inuvik. Data collection included literature and document review, key informant interviews, participant observation, and personal journal. The researcher conducted approximately 20 interviews with government officials, aboriginal representatives (Inuvialuit), and local entrepreneurs. Informed consent was obtained through the use of consent forms. The research was intended to be utilized by the bodies responsible for small business development and tourism planning. The results of the implementation plan will be incorporated into a regional tourism plan for the Inuvialuit Settlement Region.

Traditional Knowledge

222 Traditional Knowledge

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Reference No: 12 410 531 (ARI)

Region: IN Location: Inuvik

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: self

The Incorporation of Gwich'in Traditional Environmental Knowledge into a Knowledge Support System

This research used a case based reasoner (CBR) to develop a traditional environmental knowledge base for the Gwich'in Nation of the Northwest Territories. A prototype was developed, on a stand-alone machine and on the Internet, to assist Gwich'in resource managers with decision-making by incorporating the knowledge from interviews with Gwich'in elders into a CBR. Resource managers were able to search the prototype by entering a query, answering a series of interactive questions, and receiving appropriate response through the CBR. On a stand-alone machine, the CBR responses include scripts which launch images created in a geographic information system (GIS). This allows the user access to descriptive data from the interviews, as well as spatial data in the GIS images. Access on a stand-alone machine is limited due to a number of technical factors and costs, but integration of the knowledge base with GIS on the Internet offers potential solutions which should be further explored in the future.

223 Traditional Knowledge

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Region: IN Location: Dempster Highway and Mary Kendi's camp

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Alestine Andre, Elders

Gwich'in Ethnobotany Project

Elders, students, and researchers worked together to document the food value and medicinal use of plants. Each month, elders from each community (Aklavik, Fort McPherson, Inuvik, and Tsiigehtchic) spent two days collecting and preserving plants. The students and researchers assisted them, plus photographed the plants and recorded Elder's comments about each plant. After each field trip, the specimens were pressed and then mounted on cardboard. The collections are now being organized into kits for use in schools. A report of the Elders information and photographs will be prepared.

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Region: NS Location: Fort Rae

Year of Research: 1997

Other members of team: Sally Ann Zoe, Madelaine Chocolate, Georgina Chocolate, Bobby Gon

Caribou Habitat Project and Placenames Habitat Project

Researchers interviewed elders throughout the Dogrib region. Interviews were taped, translated, and transcribed.

Data was collected using the participatory action research (PAR) method which ensured Dogrib ownership and direction of the project and provides researchers with research skills. Researchers were being trained in GIS/database installation. The project was conducted under the authority of the Community Elder's Committee, and the final report will be read to the Committee for verification. Copies of the final report will be forwarded to all Dogrib schools.

Both projects are still in progress.

Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre Archaeology Permits

225 Archaeology

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Langley, BC

Reference No: 97-852 (PWNHC)

Region: NS Location: LeNt-6, LdNs-17, LdNs-16, LdNs-18 (North of Lac de Gras)

Year of Research: 1997

BHP Diamonds Archaeological Project

This was the fourth year of archaeological investigations for BHP Diamonds Inc. in their claim block north of Lac de Gras. The emphasis of the investigations was to survey areas near proposed developments and exploration. To the previous 87 sites, 30 new sites were added and the locations of 94 sites were accurately determined using a Global Positioning System (GPS) to ensure that site boundaries can be identified and avoided, even under snow cover.

Excavations were conducted at three sites which were threatened by the development of an open pit mine. All sites were characterized by unworked stone flakes of varying sizes and concentrations, and the majority of the sites were associated with eskers and esker remnants. The sites known as LdNs-16, 17, and 18 were all located near the road and camp of the proposed open pit mine. Excavations at these sites yielded varying quantities of lithic material, primarily unworked quartzite. Analysis of these materials will be undertaken during the winter.

226 Archaeology

Fedirchuk, Gloria

Fedirchuk McCullough Associates Ltd.

Calgary, AB

Reference No: 97-857 (PWNHC)

Region: NS Location: Eastern Lac de Gras

Year of Research: 1997

Diavik Project -- Archaeological Impact Assessment of Additional Potential Facility Sites

An archaeological impact assessment of a small group of islands within the proposed Diavik Diamond Mines Inc. area was conducted with the assistance of two Yellowknives Dene and an interpreter. Three larger and four smaller islands were examined for signs of previous occupation and use, but neither archaeological nor historical sites were identified during the field visit.

Hanks, Christopher

BHP Diamonds Inc.

Yellowknife, NT

Reference No: 97-853 (PWNHC)

Region: NS Location: Paul Lake to Lac du Sauvage

Year of Research: 1997

BHP Archaeological Management Programme

This was part of the site management programme for the Ekati Diamond mine. Short surveys were conducted to investigate proposed changes in the footprint of the mine, but also to deal with the possibility of a previously unrecorded site being discovered. Before beginning any investigations, the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre was notified. A joint project was also conducted with the Yellowknives Dene Traditional Knowledge Study. BHP staff worked with Yellowknives Dene elders to examine a site they traditionally used at Pointe de Misère on Lac de Gras, and to confirm the location of a grave remembered by Elders near the narrows of Lac du Sauvage.

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Yellowknife, NT

Reference No: 97-849 (PWNHC)

Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta (Kitigaaryuit, Kitigaaryuat, and Kugatchiak)

Year of Research: 1997

Kitigaaryuit Cultural Mapping Project - 1997

The Kitigaaryuit Archaeological Inventory and Mapping project of 1997 consisted of a number of different components. A 9 km survey of the coast west of the village of Kitigaaryuit was conducted. Within the survey area were located 67 log graves, three recent camps, a reindeer corral, and a number of isolated artifacts and faunal remains. The remains of an occupation area previously located by Robert McGhee was relocated and may correspond to the old village of Sanmiraq, according to Tuktoyaktuk elders. Further work carried out at Kitigaaryuit consisted of sample verification of the maps created from the 1996 survey data, the location of cultural remains that were missed in 1996, as well as the identification of new remains. Appreciation is extended to Steve Soloman of the Geological Survey of Canada and Don Gardner. The oral traditions research continued under the guidance of Cathy Cockney and interpreter Florence Nasogaluak with the assistance of Tuktoyaktuk elders. Thanks are also extended to Alan Fehr and Les Kutny of the Aurora Research Institute for their inventory of the plants found on different parts of the site.

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Archaeology

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Reference No: 97-855 (PWNHC)

Region: IN

Location: North of Reindeer Station to Inuvik, along the East Channel

Year of Research: 1997

Ikhil Gas Development -- Archaeological Investigations

The Inuvialuit Petroleum Corporation (IPC) is planning to develop the Ikhil Gas Reservoir to supply natural gas to the Town of Inuvik. An impact assessment of the existing Ikhil wellsite, a winter access trail, two proposed wellsites, and a gas pipeline right-of-way located north of Inuvik. Areas with high archaeological potential, such as well-drained ground, lake shore, and the leading edge of terraces, were all traversed. The entire winter trail was also surveyed as were the three wellsites and the production facilities area. Test pits of targeted areas were shovelled down to the permafrost, but no sites were located in the project area. Two previously recorded sites (NeTs-2 and 4) were revisited, and a historic camp was discovered along the pipeline right-of-way. The historic camp is slightly off the right-of-way and will not be disturbed.

230

Archaeology

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Calgary, AB

Reference No: 97-856 (PWNHC)

Region: NS

Location: Damoti Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Damoti Lake Gold Project - An Archaeological Assessment

A small underground gold mine on the southwest shore of Damoti Lake has been examined for sites of archaeological and cultural interest. The proposed facilities include a small surface plant, a camp, two access roads, an airstrip, a tailings area, and a source of sand for building on a small island in the lake. The archaeological investigations yielded 4 small sites on an esker on this island. They consisted of small amounts of scattered stone flakes, primarily of the commonly occurring white quartz in the area. The first site is on a high ridge, two are on the exposed sand of the eskers at the south end, and the last is along the west shore of the island. No sites were found on the mainland, where most of the construction will take place, and no sites of importance to the local communities were identified. The good supply of fish in the lake and the fact that the caribou herd migrates past this island in spring explains why precontact peoples favoured this island over the mainland.

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Reference No: 97-851 (PWNHC)

Region: IN

Location: Lower Thomsen River and coast of Aulavik National Park Reserve

Year of Research: 1997

Thomsen River Cultural Resources Survey

This project was the third year of a three-year non-intrusive survey developed by Parks Canada together with the community of Sachs Harbour. The survey is designed to provide a comprehensive inventory and assessment of all sites within the Park boundary, particularly those sites near the Thomsen River. Other objectives included the evaluation of each sites condition and vulnerability, as well as the establishment of a monitoring program to be implemented by Parks Canada in future years. Approximately 33 previously unrecorded sites were added to the inventory. They were mainly short term seasonal camp or cache sites, although some were fairly substantial, and they were most likely occupied by Innuinait or Copper Inuit. Three previously recorded sites were revisited and their monitoring programs were established. In total, 262 archaeological sites in the Aulavik National Park Reserve have been located and recorded.

Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development

Wildlife Research Permits

232 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1555 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Fort Good Hope, near Shale Lake (Norman Wells area), near Dark Rock Creek (Tulita area)

Community Based Population Monitoring of Dall's Sheep in the Sahtu

Large Mammals, Dall's Sheep

The researchers did ground based classification surveys of Dall's sheep.

233 Wildlife

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Reference No: 994 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Banks Island #1 Migratory Bird Sanctuary

Productivity of Lesser Snow Geese on Banks Island

Waterfowl, Lesser Snow Geese

The population size and productivity of lesser snow geese on Banks Island was determined through aerial surveys, and ground methods were used to survey nests. Also, 25 female snow geese were collected. Observations were made of predators and their effects on the geese. Habitat alteration by geese was also documented.

234 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1534 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Jericho Diamond Project area north of Contwoyto Lake

Wildlife Baseline Studies in Area of Jericho Project and Transportation Routes

Mammals, Birds

Aerial reconnaissance and ground truthing were carried out in order to document wildlife distribution and abundance in the Jericho project area and transportation routes. Important habitat areas were identified.

235 Wildlife

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Reference No: 993 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Rae, Providence, Smith, Resolution, Cambridge, Queen Maude, Hay River

Delineation of Sandhill Crane Subspecies and Their Distributions

Birds, Sandhill Crane

A maximum of two cranes were collected from each site for morphological classification and subspecies delineation.

236 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1558 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Hook Lake area of Slave River lowlands

Hook Lake Bison Genetics Research

Large Mammals, Bison

Hair and tissue samples were collected from four Hook Lake bison harvested by Ft. Resolution hunters and used in evaluation of genetic makeup of the Hook Lake herd.

237 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1562 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Fort Providence study area

Fort Providence Moose Census

Large Mammals, Moose

A standard aerial survey was conducted in order to estimate population size of moose within the Fort Providence study area, specifically in the Mills Lake-Mink Lake area.

238 Wildlife

Bradley, Mark

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Reference No: 1538 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Along Slave River near Fort Resolution

Slave River Biodiversity Study

Birds,

Bird abundance was monitored and vegetation plots were studied.

239 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1525 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Anderson - Horton Rivers area

Grizzly Reproductive Rates and Cub Survival in Anderson-Horton Rivers Area

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bear

Collared grizzly bears were located from aircraft and immobilized in order to remove collars for conclusion of this study.

240 Wildlife

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Reference No: 988 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Walker Bay area of Kent Peninsula

Waterfowl of the Central Arctic

Birds, Geese, Ducks, Swan

The productivity of geese and swans was determined and a sample of plants and insects was collected.

241 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Anteater Lake, North of Inuvik Lake in "Esker Project" area

Environmental Baseline Study, Esker Project Northwest Territories

Mammals, Birds

The wildlife use of the area was documented prior to any future mine development. The wildlife examined included caribou, grizzly bear, furbearers, and raptors. Their distribution, abundance and movements were also investigated.

242 Wildlife

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Reference No: 998 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Slave Geological Province

Population Ecology of Grizzly Bears in the Slave Geological Province

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bear

This study forms part of the grizzly bear population, habitat use, and nutrition research in Slave Geological Province. Thirty bears were captured and fitted with satellite telemetry collars to be tracked along with those from 1996. The collars from 1995 were removed.

243 Wildlife

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Reference No: 972 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Calais Lake, Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary

Mackenzie Bison Sanctuary Lynx Study

Furbearers, Lynx

As part of multi-year lynx study, lynx were captured, marked, and released.

244 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1539 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Dewey Soper Migratory Bird Sanctuary on West Baffin Island

Habitat Mapping and Assessment of Dewey Soper Migratory Bird Sanctuary

Habitat, Wetland Vegetation

Habitat mapping was carried out using LANDSAT TM and RADARSAT SAR imagery and ground sampling

245 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1540 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: West Hudson Bay - Manitoba border to Whale Cove; West Baffin - Cape Dominion to Koukdjuak River

Distribution and timing of fall migration of TGP Canada, Ross and snow geese

Waterfowl, Canada Goose, Ross Goose, Snow Goose

Ross and snow geese were banded and collared in order to study their distribution and migration chronology.

246 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1541 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: West Hudson Bay, Geillini River to Wallace River

Role of Snow Goose in Changes to Coastal Wetland Habitats

Habitat, Snow Goose, Ross Goose, Wetland Vegetation

Changes in West Hudson Bay coastal wetland habitat were monitored in response to changes in snow goose populations.

247 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1542 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: West Hudson Bay - Manitoba border to Dawson Inlet

Role of Climate Change and Uplift in Destruction of Coastal Wetlands

Habitat, Snow Goose, Ross Goose, Wetland Vegetation

This study was designed to research the role of climate change and isostatic rebound in the changes to West Hudson Bay coastal wetland habitat.

248 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1529 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: West Hudson Bay - Thaane River to Arviat

Ground Truthing of Goose Colonies for Aerial Photo Census in Area

Waterfowl, Ross Goose, Lesser Snow Goose

Ground surveys were conducted of lesser snow geese and Ross geese in order to assess the ratios of the two species nesting in colonies south of Arviat. These surveys will enable later photo surveys to estimate each species.

249 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1531 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Inuvik-Tsiigehtchic area

Moose Habitat Assessment Project

Large Mammals, Moose

A preliminary vegetation classification for study area was carried out, as well as a winter browse survey. Snow measurements were taken, and hunter/kill samples were collected for research in the diet, condition, age, sex, and genetics of moose in the study area.

250 Wildlife

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Reference No: 999 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Slave Geological Province - Lac de Gras, Lupin mine area

Analysis of Esker Use by Wolves Denning in the Central Arctic, NWT

Large Mammals, Wolf

Eskers were surveyed for wolf dens, and wolves were collared at 12 dens in order to monitor their movements

251 Wildlife

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Reference No: 974 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Pan arctic

Microsatellite Variation in Muskoxen

Large Mammals, Muskox

Muscle samples were collected from hunter killed muskox and analysed for genetic structure as part of a study of evolutionary divergence and variation among muskox.

252 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1520 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Kagloryuak River valley on Victoria Island

Satellite Telemetry to Find Moulting and Winter Areas of Victoria Island King Eiders

Birds, King Eiders

Satellite transmitters were implanted in 10 king eiders in Kagloryuak River valley and tracked to their moulting and wintering areas.

253 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1521 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Coronation Gulf, Bathurst Inlet, Melville Sound, Elu Inlet, Queen Maude Gulf, Dolphin and Union Strait

Distribution and Abundance of Pacific Common Eiders in the Central Arctic

Birds, Pacific Common Eider

The size of the breeding population of Pacific common eiders in Central arctic was estimated, and nests were sought on islands where colonies are known to exist.

254 Wildlife

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Reference No: 995 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Holman Island and northwest of Holman

Eider Migration and Harvest at Holman

Birds, King Eider, Pacific Common Eider

Eiders migrating near Holman were surveyed and characteristics of the harvest were studied.

255 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1522 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Northern Baffin Island

Variability in Calving by North Baffin Caribou

Large Mammals, Caribou, Wolves

Aerial surveys were carried out for calving caribou, and dead caribou specimens were collected and necropsied. Evidence of wolves in the Pond Inlet area of North Baffin was also recorded.

256 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1551 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: 5km W of Cape Pembroke, Coats Island

Canadian Wildlife Service Seabird Monitoring Program, North Hudson Bay and Hudson Strait

Birds, Thk-bl murre, GL Gull, Ice. gull, b guillemt

Population numbers and survival were studied, and genetic sampling was carried out for relatedness study.

257 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1547 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Fort Providence area

Population and Disease Monitoring of the Mackenzie Wood Bison Herd

Large Mammals, Bison

The study included a composition survey for bison, as well as field research on anthrax contamination of the bison range. Specimens were collected from hunter-killed bison and analysed for the presence of antibodies to brucella.

258

Wildlife

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Reference No: 977 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Hook Lake and Fort Resolution

Salvage and Propagation of Hook Lake Wood Bison

Large Mammals, Bison

Twenty newborn bison calves from the Hook Lake herd were captured and hand reared. They were treated for diseases in order to maintain the captive breeding herd in Fort Resolution.

259

Wildlife

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Reference No: 984 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: South West Bylot Island

Breeding Ecology of Greater Snow Geese and Interaction with Their Habitat.

Birds, Greater Snow Goose, Snowy Owl, Arctic FOX, Lemming, Longspur

This project is part of long term study of gosling growth and survival, the effects of fox predation on goose population, and the effect of geese on their habitat.

260

Wildlife

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Reference No: 1533 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Coburg Island

Comp studies of seabird foraging & repro ecol at Northwater polynya

Birds, Thick-billed Murre, Black-Legged Kittiwake

Thick-billed murre and black-legged kittiwake foraging and reproductive ecology on Coburg Island.

261 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1537 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: South Baffin between Cape Dorset and Lake Harbour

Distribution and Abundance of Common Eider off South Baffin Island

Birds, Northern Common Eider

The breeding population of common eiders on and near south Baffin Island was censused, and hunters were interviewed about the population.

262 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1530 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Belcher Islands

Population Studies of the Hudson Bay Common Eider in the Belcher Islands, 1997

Birds, Common Eider

The breeding population of common eiders on the Belcher Islands was censused and hunters were interviewed about the population.

263 Wildlife

Gilchrist, Grant

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Reference No: 1506 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: East Bay area of Southampton Island

Population Studies of King and Common Eiders in East Bay, Southampton Island

King Eider, Common Eider

Adult survival, philopatry, migration, and reproductive ecology of king and common eiders in East Bay was studied.

264 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1553 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Thor Lake project area

Environmental Baseline Study, Thor Lake Beryllium Deposit, NWT

Large Mammals, Birds, Caribou, Moose, Raptors

Environmental baseline wildlife studies were carried out in order to document wildlife use of the project area prior to any mine development. The distribution, abundance, and habitat use of caribou, moose, and raptors was investigated as well.

265 Wildlife

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Reference No: 987 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Rae, Kugluktuk, Umingmaktok, Cambridge Bay, Snare Lakes, Wha Ti, Rae Lakes, Lutsel k'e

Movements of the Bathurst Caribou Herd

Large Mammals, Caribou

Collared caribou were located, the caribou distribution around them was described, and the movements of satellite collared caribou were mapped.

266 Wildlife

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Reference No: 986 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Lutsel k'e, Gjoa Haven, Umingmaktok, Cambridge Bay

Movements of Queen Maude Gulf Caribou.

Large Mammals, Caribou

The movements of adult female caribou collared in 1996 were tracked by aerial methods.

267 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1512 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Bathurst caribou calving ground

Bathurst Caribou Calving Distribution and Summer Range Ecology

Large Mammals, Caribou

The distribution of Bathurst caribou on calving grounds was determined, ecological conditions were estimated, and the proportion of breeding females was established using aerial and ground based surveys.

268 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1519 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Lupin mine.

Bathurst Caribou Behaviour at Lupin Mine

Large Mammals, Caribou

Caribou behaviour at the mine site was described and traditional techniques that might guide caribou away from tailings ponds and airstrips were tested.

269 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1548 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Melville, Prince Patrick and Bathurst Islands

Melville, Prince Patrick and Bathurst Islands Caribou and Muskox Survey

Large Mammals, Peary Caribou, Muskox

Aerial surveys of the islands were made in order to determine the abundance of Peary caribou and muskox.

270 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Lac de Gras, BHP diamond project area

Wildlife Monitoring Program - 1997

Mammals, Birds

Wildlife monitoring under Environmental Agreement.

271 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1546 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Rideout Island, islands in Surrey and Pellatt lakes

Long Term Recovery of Arctic Plants After Heavy Grazing

Habitat, Dwarf Birch, Willow, Heather

The recovery of vegetation grazed heavily by caribou or muskoxen was monitored.

272 Wildlife

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Reference No: 973 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula, deltas of the Anderson, Kugulak, and Smoke/Moose Rivers, Campbell Island

Distribution, Abundance, and Survival of Pacific Brant from Mainland of Inuvialuit Settlement Region

Birds, Black Brant

The distribution of black brant from mainland of Inuvialuit Settlement Region was determined, as well as their annual survival rates. The abundance and productivity of mainland brant was also established, and 600 white-fronted geese were banded in order to complete a 6 year project studying them.

273 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1517 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Yellowknife study area (Rae highway from 15km to 45km out of Yellowknife, 400m each side)

Abundance and Productivity of Waterfowl Breeding in the Boreal Forest

Waterfowl, Ducks, Loons, Grebes

A determination was made of the factors that limit the size, composition, and productivity of the breeding populations of ducks in the Yellowknife study area. This information was used to improve and develop new survey designs for censusing duck populations.

274 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Resolute, Cornwallis Island, Polar Bear Pass, Bathurst Island, Alexander Fjord, Eureka, Ellesmere Island

Evolutionary Divergence of North American Rock Ptarmigan

Birds, Rock Ptarmigan

Blood was collected from live ptarmigan, or tissue was salvaged from dead ptarmigan. These samples were used to study rock ptarmigan genetics, part of North America wide study of the evolutionary divergence of rock ptarmigan.

275 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1526 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Ulu mine area and winter road route connecting to Lupin

Wildlife Monitoring in Area of Ulu Mine Site and Related Winter Road

Large Mammals, Birds, Caribou, Grizzly Bear, Raptors

Wildlife activity and abundance in the Ulu mine area, and along the winter road route from there to Lupin mine, was monitored and documented.

276 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1528 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Prince Charles, Air Force, and Foley Islands

Bird Distribution and Abundance in Northwest Foxe Basin

Shorebirds, Waterfowl, Gulls

The distribution and abundance of shorebirds, waterfowl, and other migratory birds in the Northwest Foxe Basin was determined, and the preferred habitat of migratory birds in this area was also established. Background information for the potential designation as a protected area was provided.

277 Wildlife

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Reference No: 979 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: The Ramparts-Hume River Basin

Distribution, Abundance, and Nesting Success of Waterfowl in the Ramparts-Hume River Basin

Waterfowl,

The distribution, abundance, and reproductive success of boreal forest waterfowl in the Ramparts-Hume River Basin was determined through the use of traditional knowledge interviews and aerial, canoe, and ground surveys.

278 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: SEEDS research site near Tulita

Studies of the Environmental Effects of Disturbances in the Subarctic

Small Mammals,

The project was part of the SEEDS ecosystematic study of disturbances in subarctic. Small mammals were live trapped and marked for later recapture and identification.

279 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Anderson River, Breakwater Island, Cockburn Island, Hope Bay, Horton River DEW line site, Hurd Island, Inuvik, Jameson Islands, Nicholson Point, North Star Harbour, Tuktoyaktuk, Walker Bay, Wilmot Island

Brown Lemming, Collared Lemming, rb and tundra Vole

The timing of lemming cycles west and east of the Mackenzie River was studied in order to find out how lemming cycles in the Cambridge Bay area are synchronized with those in the west.

280

Wildlife

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Reference No: 1556 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Mainland Keewatin, Sahtu, and Inuvialuit regions.

Survey Keewatin, Sahtu, and Inuvialuit Regions for Muskox Lungworm.

Large Mammas, Muskoxen, Barren Ground Caribou, Moose, Dall's Sheep

A determination was made of the geographic and species range of *Umingmakstrongylus pallikuukensis* in mainland Keewatin, Sahtu, and Inuvialuit regions through the examination of specimens from hunter kills of muskoxen, caribou, moose, and Dall's sheep.

281 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1509 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Banks Island

Banks Island Range Study

Large Mammals, Small Mammals, Muskox, Peary Caribou, Hare, Lemming

Banks Island muskox and caribou research on diet, vegetation and habitat analysis was carried out, in addition to the monitoring of snow conditions. The health and condition of animals was monitored by analysing urine samples collected non-invasively. Samples from dead or harvested caribou and muskox were collected, and hare, lemming, and any other animals that appeared critically ill were also collected.

282 Wildlife

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Reference No: 981 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Mills Lake

Assessment of Mills Lake Staging Area for Migrating Geese, Swans, and Shorebirds

Birds, Shorebirds, WF, Canada Goose, Snow Goose, Tundra Swan

The abundance and distribution of staging waterfowl and shorebirds at Mills Lake during spring and fall migration was determined, and its importance as a staging area for goose populations was evaluated.

283 Wildlife

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Reference No: 990 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Creswell Bay

Assessment of Creswell Bay, NWT for Future Protected Area Designation.

Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Greater Snow Geese, Sea Ducks

Ground survey methods were used to determine the nesting abundance, distribution, and migration chronology of shorebirds at Creswell Bay. This was part of an assessment of the importance of Creswell Bay to nesting and staging shorebirds and waterfowl, and its potential for designation as a protected area.

284

Wildlife

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Reference No: 964 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Slave Geological Province - Lac de Gras/Daring Lake/Contwoyto Lakes

Wolverine Ecology in the Central Arctic

Furbearers, Wolverine

Wolverine were trapped and radio collared to determine survival, home ranges, number of young produced, and denning sites. Harvest information was also collected.

285

Wildlife

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Reference No: 997 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Eureka area, Ellesmere Island

Behavioural Ecology of an Arctic Wolf Pack

Large Mammals, Small Mammals, Caribou, Muskox, Wolf, Hare

Wolf behaviour was documented through direct observation, video taping, and photography. Minor manipulation was undertaken by presenting baits, odours, and howling. Caching responses of wolves were tested.

286 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1559 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Ranger Oil Well sites 1-3 (Nota Creek, Bear Rock, Little Bear River)

Wildlife and Habitat Survey for Ranger Oil Exploratory Drilling in Sahtu

Mammals, Birds

Helicopter and ground surveys were used to carry out the environmental baseline survey of wildlife in vicinity of 3 Ranger Oil exploratory drilling sites near Nota Creek, Bear Rock and north of Little Bear River.

287 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1554 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Damoti Lake

Wildlife Survey in Damoti Lake Gold Project Study Area.

Mammals, Birds

Environmental baseline work on wildlife was conducted in the Damoti Lake project area. Surveys were designed to search for wildlife and their signs including droppings, dens, and nests. Surveys were made by boat and on foot to document wildlife use of the area prior to any future mine development.

288 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1552 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Ikhil Gas Project area near Inuvik

A Wildlife Survey for the Ikhil Gas Project

Mammals, Birds

Environmental baseline work on wildlife in the Ikhil Gas Project area was carried out prior to development. There were on site ground surveys, as well as an analysis of the Inuvialuit Harvest Study data for historic wildlife utilisation in area.

289 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1563 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Near Fort Liard in the proposed Paramount Resources Gas Project area

Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat Reconnaissance

Mammals, Birds

Mammal and bird use of the area was documented through track surveys and direct observation. Habitat in vicinity of proposed drill locations was also described.

290 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1524 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Walker Bay camp on Kent Peninsula and Hope Bay

Habitat Selection and Competition Among Arctic Rodents

Small Mammals, Arctic Rodents

A study was made of the habitat selection and competition among arctic rodents. Rodent density in different habitats was estimated and analysed for habitat selection and interspecific competition.

291 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1543 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Alert, Ellesmere Island

Studies of Migration, Ecophysiology, and Energetics of High Arctic Shorebirds

Shorebirds, Other Birds

Migration strategies, ecophysiology, and energetics of high arctic shorebirds was studied. This included banding birds to monitor weight changes, abdominal profiling, radio tracking, and general bird observations.

292

Wildlife

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Reference No: 992 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: South East of Umingmaktok and on Western and Eastern sides of Bathurst Inlet

Vegetation and Habitat Characteristics of Bathurst Caribou Calving Area

Large Mammals, Habitat, Caribou, Plants

Biological research on habitat and vegetation on the Bathurst caribou calving ground was continued. Aerial surveys were flown, vegetation and habitat studies were conducted, and caribou behaviour was observed.

293 Wildlife

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Reference No: 983 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Doris Lake and Boston property near Hope Bay

Hope Bay Belt Project, Baseline Environmental Studies

Mammals, Birds,

Baseline data on the presence and abundance of wildlife and the degree of habitat use in the Hope Bay area was provided through observation surveys only.

294 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1504 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: 80 miles SW of Rankin Inlet

Keewatin Grizzly Bear Study

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bear

The last radio collar from a grizzly bear was removed, and information continued to be collected on the grizzly bear harvest. This study was intended to increase public awareness about this species.

295 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1505 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Within 12 mile radius of Rankin Inlet

Rankin Inlet Peregrine Falcon Study

Raptors, Peregrine Falcon

Population data was collected and pesticide contamination in peregrine falcons was monitored. This was part of the research project designed to establish production and population parameters, determine population growth and mortality rates, and to monitor contamination by pesticides.

296

Wildlife

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Reference No: 963 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Southampton Island

Southampton Island Caribou Study

Large Mammals, Caribou

Samples were taken from commercial harvest abattoir and examined. Sixty caribou were collected for sampling. Ground and aerial surveys were conducted for classification and census, and range vegetation studies were done.

297

Wildlife

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Reference No: 970 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Qamanirjuaq range, Keewatin District

Qamanirjuaq Caribou Spring Composition and Satellite Collaring

Caribou,

Aerial and ground classification counts were made in order to determine survival and recruitment rates. Six radio collars were recovered and 6 new ones were put on female caribou to obtain information on distribution and timing of movements. Biological specimens from hunter kills or dead or dying caribou were also collected.

298

Wildlife

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Reference No: 1549 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Banks Island

Banks Island Caribou and Muskox Census

Large Mammals, Peary Caribou, Muskox

A census of muskoxen and Peary caribou on Banks Island was done using aerial survey methods.

299 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1564 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Pangnirtung polar bear hunting area, Arctic Bay, Resolute, Pond Inlet

Isolation and Characterisation of Brucella Bacteria from Polar Bears

Large Mammals, Polar Bear

Tissue specimens were obtained from hunter killed polar bears for the isolation and analysis of brucella bacteria

300 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1518 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Southern Victoria Island and adjacent coastal and mainland areas

Distribution of Caribou Calving on Southern Victoria Island

Large Mammals, Caribou

Aerial surveys and collar location flights were flown over South Victoria Island and adjacent areas. The remaining collared cows were collected in October 1997.

301 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1516 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Cambridge, Kugluktuk, Holman, Gjoa Haven, Pelly Bay, Taloyoak, Umingmaktok, Bathurst Island

Wildlife Disease and Contaminants in Furbearers, Ungulates, Herbivores, and Raptors

Large Mammals, Small Mammals, Furbearers, Raptors, Muskox, Caribou, Wolf, Wolverine, Fox, Bear, Hare, Raptors

The presence of wildlife diseases and contaminant levels of all wildlife in the Kitikmeot region were monitored and examined.

302 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1510 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Basil Bay area and between Kugluktuk, Bloody Falls, Hope Lake

Larval Development of a Muskox Lungworm in a Terrestrial Slug

Large Mammals, Parasites, Lungworm Larvae, Terrestrial Slug, Muskox

Larval development of muskox lungworms in terrestrial slugs was studied and a determination was made of when they are infective to muskoxen.

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Lac de Gras area - Diavik project

Wildlife Baseline for the Diavik Diamond Project at Lac de Gras

Large Mammals, Birds, Caribou, Grizzly, Wolf

Ecological features were classified and mapped, and caribou were surveyed and observed. Data was gathered on carnivores, small mammals were surveyed and trapped, and the breeding populations of birds was also surveyed.

304 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Wekweti, Snare Lake

Management Plan to Reduce Human-Bear Conflicts in Snare Lake, NWT

Large Mammals, Grizzly Bear, Black Bear

Preventative and deterrent measures to reduce bear interactions with humans at Wekweti were evaluated. There were also observations, discussions, and a literature review.

305 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Brackett (Willow) Lake area, Oscar Lake, Ramparts River area

Beaver Lodge Survey - Sahtu Settlement Area

Furbearers, Beaver

Aerial surveys of beaver lodges in the Brackett and Oscar Lakes and Ramparts River areas were carried out in order to determine the number of active lodges.

306 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Cambridge Bay (CAM-M), Cape Dyer (DYE-M), Cape Hooper (FOX-4), Nicholson Peninsula (BAR-4), Pelly Bay (CAM-4), Sarcpa Lake (CAM-F)

Terrestrial Food Chain Contaminants Study

Small Mammals, Lemmings, Voles

Small mammals were collected in order to assess the potential level of chemical contamination to the terrestrial food web associated with former military installations.

307 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Cambridge Bay, Mount Pelly area

1997 Groupe de Recherches en Ecologie Arctique expedition

Small Mammals, Collared Lemming

Collared lemming winter ecology was determined through a description of their winter nests which become visible in summer. Lemming densities and population fluctuations were also studied.

308 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Arviat, Baker Lake, Coral Harbour, Daring Lake, Fort Liard, Fort Simpson, Fort Smith,
Kugluktuk, Norman Wells, Pond Inlet, Rankin Inlet, Repulse Bay, Yellowknife

NWT Small Mammal Survey

Small Mammals, Lemmings, Mice, Vole

Small mammals were snap trapped to quantify a density index for small mammal populations which in turn was used to determine population cycles.

309 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: George Lake area (south of Bathurst Inlet)

Wildlife Baseline Study in Area of Arauco's George Lake project

Large Mammals, Raptors, Waterfowl, Caribou, Grizzly, Muskox

Large mammals were censused by aircraft and ground observations, nesting areas were verified, and habitats were evaluated. Both resident and migratory birds were documented.

310 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: Mills Lake

Western Canada Cooperative Waterfowl Banding Program - Mills Lake Station

Waterfowl, Mallard, Pintail, gw & bw Teals

Up to 2000 mallards, 1500 northern pintails, and 1000 of all other waterfowl species were caught using barley bait traps and then banded.

311 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1508 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: Near Walker Bay on Kent Peninsula

Extent to Which Weasels Cause the Summer Decline in Lemmings

Furbearers, Small Mammals, Brown & coll. Lemming, Weasel

Weasels were live trapped, marked, and radio tagged for population, home range, and mortality study.

312 Wildlife

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Year of Research: 1997
Location: Radstock Bay

The Behaviour of Undisturbed Polar Bears

Large Mammals, Polar Bear

The undisturbed behaviour of polar bears in the Radstock Bay area was observed and documented by continuous observation with telescopes.

313 Wildlife

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Reference No: 980 (RWED)
Year of Research: 1997
Location: High arctic and Baffin Bay

Inventories of High Arctic and Baffin Bay Polar Bear Populations

Large Mammals, Polar Bear

As many polar bears as possible were captured and marked for capture-recapture sampling and population estimation. As many of the remaining satellite collars as possible were removed, and polar bears were filmed and photographed for use in educational materials. Two polar bear cubs/yearlings were collected for contaminant analysis.

314 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1557 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Resolution Island, Akpatok Island, North Labrador, Akamiski Island, Twin Islands

Davis Strait and Southern Hudson Bay Polar Bear Telemetry Project

Large Mammals, Polar Bear

Helicopters were used to capture and mark as many polar bears as possible, and to radio collar 5 adult females in Davis Strait and 4 in southern Hudson Bay. Work was also carried out on population inventory and boundary definition.

315 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1513 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Ellesmere Island in vicinity of National Park Reserve

Ellesmere Island National Park Reserve Wildlife Study

Large Mammals, Caribou, Wolf

In the vicinity of Park Reserve on Ellesmere Island, the distribution and movements of Peary caribou, wolves, and muskoxen were studied.

316 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1561 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Fort Good Hope area

Population Size and Composition of Moose in Fort Good Hope Area November 1997

Large Mammals, Moose

An aerial survey was conducted of the Fort Good Hope area moose population.

317 Wildlife

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Reference No: 969 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Colville Lake, Kugluktuk, and Crossley Lakes areas

Bluenose Caribou Herd Identification and Range Use

Large Mammals, Caribou

Bluenose caribou were captured and satellite collared in the Colville and Crossley Lakes areas, as well as the Kugluktuk, Inuvik, and Tuktoyaktuk areas.

318 Wildlife

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Reference No: 985 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Katherine Creek, Mackenzie Mountains

Demography of Dall's Sheep in Mackenzie Mountains, NWT

Large Mammals, Dall's Sheep

A ground survey of Dall's sheep in Katherine Creek area was conducted. Groups of sheep were classified, hunters were surveyed, and recruitment and mortality was estimated.

319 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1550 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Willow Lake (Brackett Lake) about 40 km N of Tulita

W. Canada Cooperative Banding Program at Willow Lake, NWT - 1997

Waterfowl,

Dabbling ducks were caught using barley baited traps and then banded.

320 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1544 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Between Yellowknife and Rae

Experimental Waterfowl Banding Station

Waterfowl, Ducks

A representative sample of ducks from the Yellowknife banding reference area was banded to provide information from the under represented bush area.

321 Wildlife

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Reference No: 989 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: Mackenzie River drainage- Fort Smith to Tuktoyaktuk

Cooperative US/Canada Waterfowl Population Surveys

Waterfowl,

The size and species composition of breeding population of ducks and other waterfowl in the Mackenzie River drainage was determined and monitored by conducting aerial surveys.

322 Wildlife

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Reference No: 1515 (RWED)

Year of Research: 1997

Location: King William Island near Gjoa Haven

King William Island Small Mammal Study

Small Mammals, Collared Lemming, Brown Lemming

Small mammal snap trapping survey was carried out following NWT standard protocol.

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Year of Research: 1997

Location: near Walker Bay on Kent Peninsula

Effects of Predation on Lemming Cycle and on Nesting Success of Geese*Furbearers, Small Mammals, Arctic Fox, Weasel, Arctic Ground Squirrel*

Arctic foxes were live trapped and ear tags were applied. Ground squirrels and weasels from an 11 hectare study area were removed (trapped and euthanised) in order to determine the effects of predators on lemming population fluctuations.

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-003 and SLI-97/98-009 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta, East Channel

Year of Research: 1997

Monitoring of Inuvik Sewage Lagoon Effluent

The project was designed to investigate any changes in the composition of benthic invertebrates and fish due to outflows from the Inuvik Sewage Lagoon.

325 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-019 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Unnamed lakes of Campbell Creek

Year of Research: 1997

Overwintering Potential of Lakes in the Campbell Creek Drainage

A determination was made of the overwintering potential for fish in the lakes of the Campbell Creek drainage.

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-016 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Rat River, Peel River, Snake River

Year of Research: 1997

Inconnu Studies - Rat, Peel, and Snake Rivers

The study was designed to confirm and describe inconnu spawning locations in three river systems.

327 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-015 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Firth River, Ivvavik National Park

Year of Research: 1997

Firth River - Arctic Charr Studies

A count of the Dolly Varden charr migrating upstream in the Firth River (Ivvavik National Park) was conducted. The project was undertaken in conjunction with Parks Canada and used high frequency (120 kHz) hydroacoustic techniques.

328 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-012 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Tuktoyaktuk Harbour

Year of Research: 1997

Tuktoyaktuk Harbour - Arctic Cisco Studies

A test-netting program was conducted using standard gang net and a random dead sample (n=600) was collected from four locations in Tuktoyaktuk Harbour. There were also 500 Arctic cisco in Tuktoyaktuk Harbour which were measured and had Floy tags applied.

329 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-011 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Rat River

Year of Research: 1997

Rat River Charr Studies

An estimation was made of the number of spawning charr at the Rat River Fish Hole through a Petersen mark recapture method. Information was also obtained on the size, sex, and maturity of charr at Fish Hole, particularly as a means of monitoring the status of the spawning component of the stock. Floy tags were applied that would be available for recapture in the 1998 subsistence fishery which would then provide additional information on the exploitation rate, size of stock and movement of stock. A contribution was also made of some of the necessary biological information for the development, implementation, and updating of the Rat River Charr Fishing Plan.

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-008 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Pearce Point, Paulatuk

Year of Research: 1997

Pearce Point (Paulatuk) Charr Studies

Through a community-based Floy tagging program, an estimation was made of the relative contribution of the Arctic charr which was caught by the residents of Paulatuk at Pearce Point, to the Hornaday River charr run. Biological samples from charr caught in the subsistence fishery at Pearce Point were obtained.

331 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-013 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Hornaday River

Year of Research: 1997

Hornaday River Charr Studies

The location of spawning areas was confirmed and a retroactive examination of the life history of Hornaday River charr was carried out. This was done to provide more evidence that charr within the Rummy Lake, Seven Islands Lake, and Hornaday Lake systems are of the non-anadromous life history type.

332 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-004 (DFO)

Region: ALL Location: NWT West, all areas

Year of Research: 1997

General Program Sampling - NWT West Area

General program sampling included the collection of data for the purpose of stock assessment through mark/recapture studies, weir counts, sampling for age and growth, and Catch Per Unit Effort. Stocks were delineated through stock identification programs, and community surveys were conducted to gather traditional knowledge of stocks and fishing patterns. The various communities were also involved in developing solutions to fishery management programs.

333 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-010 (DFO)

Region: NS, SS, DC Location: Great Slave Lake

Year of Research: 1997

Experimental Netting to Estimate Biomass - Great Slave Lake

Experimental netting was used to estimate the biomass distribution of whitefish amongst length, weight, and frequency classes in the Great Slave Lake. A determination was also made of the short and long-term effects of reducing commercial mesh size from 133 mm (5 ¼ in) stretched mesh to 127 mm (5 in) stretched mesh on lake whitefish and other by-catch species in the Great Slave Lake.

334 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-014 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Beaufort Sea

Year of Research: 1997

Fish Collection - SHEBA/JOIS Northwest Passage Transit

As part of the region's SHEBA/JOIS program during the transit of the *CCGS Louis St. Laurent* through the Northwest Passage, field research and fishing activities were conducted which included: population dynamics, genetics, diet, contaminants, and related biological sampling in support of other projects being conducted (eg. physical, chemical, and biological oceanography).

335 Fisheries

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-006 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Aulavik National Park, Banks Island

Year of Research: 1997

Charr Genetic Diversity Studies in Aulavik National Park

Charr were collected opportunistically from as many water bodies as possible. Morphological data was collected from individual fish and muscle tissue was preserved in DMSO salt solution for genetic studies.

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Reference No: SLI-97/98-007 (DFO)

Region: IN Location: Mackenzie Delta and east Beaufort Sea

Year of Research: 1997

Beluga/Narwhal Live Capture - Tagging and Satellite Tracking

Belugas and narwhals were captured so that satellite tags and flipper band tags could be attached. During the restraint period, the animals were sexed, skin and blood samples were taken, and morphometric data was collected.

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