

Summary Table of Implementation Plan Tasks and Actions
Reviewed and updated at 2025 Annual Harvest Meeting
Based on February 2016 Revised IP

	Activity	Lead	Participants	Timing	Status
1. Harvest Management Assessment					
Task 1.1	Report rigorous and verifiable harvest information for all hunters of Porcupine Caribou at all times of the year.				
1.1.2	Implement a jurisdiction-based harvest reporting/verification program in the communities of Tuktoyaktuk, Inuvik, Aklavik, Fort McPherson, Tsiigehtchic, Old Crow, Mayo, and Dawson City.	All Parties	JS, WMACs, GRRB, HTC's and RRCs	Annually by deadlines outlined in Appendix 1	IGC – Data available for Aklavik; funding secured for harvest data collection in Aklavik, Inuvik, and Tuktoyaktuk; WMAC(NS) is supporting the Joint Secretariat toward obtaining data from Inuvik and Tuktoyaktuk; GTC/GRRB – provided estimated harvest, although data collection for Inuvik continues to be challenging; TH – total harvest reported based on a voluntary survey approach and not an estimate; continue collecting data on harvest effort as well as quantitative data; NND – total harvest reported; VG – minimum count provided for period; using a census-based approach where all harvesters encouraged to report through various means; GNWT – ongoing; three-wave survey to all licensed hunters; harvest estimate a year behind based on current method; exploring ways to increase overall reporting; YG – ongoing, mandatory reporting for licensed hunters; harvest data submitted.

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1.1.3	Implement a harvest reporting/verification program through the use of check stations and field monitoring, as required.	YG, GNWT	Participation/partnerships with individual Parties as agreed to by these Parties	Ongoing	YG – no fall/winter harvest on Dempster Highway so a check station was not opened on south Dempster; CO Services Branch completed two patrols (October and November 2023) on the Dempster and a patrol toward the North Slope with GNWT officer in April 2024; GNWT – nine samples collected in 2023-24; Renewable Resources officers completed 15 Dempster patrols but weather conditions challenging for patrolling in the mountains; No check station for this year, in consultation with Tetlit Gwich'in RRC.
1.1.5	Develop a training module/program for harvest data entry into PCH harvest reporting database.	PCMB	YG, GNWT	Fall 2016	Support for harvest data preparation provided by GNWT/YG technical staff as requested by Parties/GRRB. Staff reached out to various governments to assist through the fall.
1.1.6	Ensure all Parties are trained and are using the current PCH harvest reporting database as required to facilitate the calculation of a total estimated harvest where appropriate.	All Parties	All Parties; GRRB	Fall 2016	Database not currently in use.
Task 1.2	Conduct annual harvest data analysis				
1.2.1	Analyze the harvest information collected and submitted by the Parties annually	Chair PCTC	PCTC members	Completed by October 15 (Annual Summary Report)	Presentation done at 2025 meeting. All Parties reported prior to AHM, almost all reports were later than HMP timelines. Reporting for Inuvik continues to be a challenge for Parties. Completion of the final report will be post-AHM once missing harvest locations are clarified. Alaskan licensed harvest data available for AHM.

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Task 1.3	Conduct annual population analysis				
1.3.1.1	Undertake further work to verify that the population model and predict population size and trends	PCTC	PCMB, PCTC	Winter 16-17	Work presented to PCMB prior to 2016 AHM on population back-casting of the model. Overall results presented to AHM. Model has been adjusted to enable it to be used as an additional tool to inform herd status when no photo-estimate is available. Population estimates provided in PCTC Annual Summary Report with estimates current to June 1, 2024. A second population model is being completed by USGS in collaboration with the PCTC.
1.3.1.2	Present and communicate an updated population model to the co-management boards and then the communities	PCMB	YG, GNWT	Dependent on 1.3.1.1	Ongoing. Some presentations have been made to boards. PCMB to discuss communications around the updated model.
1.3.2	Provide herd population information annually to the GC-CWS, PCTC and PCMB to assist in the preparation of the Annual Summary Report	YG, GNWT, ADFG, USFWS	PCTC, PCMB	As completed	Ongoing. A full reporting of monitoring was provided, including some new indicator information (e.g., calf weights).
1.3.3	Prepare and maintain a long-term database and provide annual summary of biological information to inform the Annual Summary Report and the population model	GC-CWS	PCTC	Updated by November 1 annually	Ongoing. YG in the process of cleaning and building data management solutions to hold all data. Data is being ingested at this time and we expect most data to be stored in the new system during 2025-26. All pertinent data is being provided in the Annual Summary Report and has been integrated into the population models.
Task 1.4	Prepare Annual Summary Report				
1.4.2	Prepare an Annual Summary Report, including a population estimate, with the most current available biological information about the herd and the analysis of the total estimated harvest and submit to the PCMB	PCTC		No later than November 15	Report was completed in early December following significant review and edits to improve the document by all PCTC members. Two public-facing communication documents summarizing the full Annual Summary Report were available for the meeting.

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Task 1.5	Convene the Annual Harvest Meeting and conduct the harvest management assessment				
1.5.2	Distribute the Annual Summary Report to Parties, invite submission of additional information, supplementary to the report, and attendance at the Annual Harvest Meeting	PCMB	Parties register prior to January 20	Annually no later than December 1	Invitation sent on Dec. 17, 2024, and link to Annual Summary Report provided. Report posted on website once received from PCTC. New public-facing summaries also made available the week prior to the AHM.
1.5.3	In response to the Annual Summary Report, each Party will provide written comments and additional information	Parties	WMACs, GRRB	By January 20 for distribution by PCMB prior to AHM	Some Parties (YG, GNWT, GC, VGFN) responded regarding attendance. No further information was provided.
1.5.4	Convene the Annual Harvest Meeting to discuss the Annual Summary Report.	PCMB	Parties	Annually 2 nd week of Feb.	Meeting held in Dawson on Feb. 11-12, 2025. All Parties were represented.
1.5.5	Collectively review the effectiveness of each Party's management actions as reported by each Party at the AHM	PCMB	Parties	Annually during the 2 nd week of Feb.	Done during AHM on Feb. 11-12; PCMB sent out prior to AHM to be updated annually at AHM.
1.5.6	Conduct the harvest management assessment to determine the harvest management (colour) zone and recommend harvest management actions to the Parties	PCMB	Parties, responsible co-mgmt organizations, interested organizations and interested public	Annually 2 nd week Feb.; recommendations by the PCMB to follow within 30 days	Done during AHM, PCMB recommendations sent to Parties March 11, 2024.
1.5.7	Review harvest management recommendations from the PCMB and determine how to implement management actions within respective jurisdictions	All Parties	WMAC (NS), WMAC (NWT), GRRB	Written response to PCMB within 30 days	The following Parties replied to the PCMB's 2024 recommendation report: GC, YG, GNWT, and VGG.

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2. Harvest Management					
Task 2.1	Develop and implement communication and education materials and programs				
2.1.4	Implement youth/hunter education programs including sight-in-your-rifle programs, community-based programs, traditional knowledge-education campaign	GNWT/YG holds sight-in-your-rifle programs. All Parties develop and implement community-based programs and materials	GRRB, HTC's, RRCs	GNWT holds one SIYR per community and two on Dempster prior to March	GNWT – Visit with Fort Mcpherson School with discussions on caribou; YG – Planned activities but no caribou/hunters; completed two hunter education courses in Dawson; TH – Hosted First Hunt camp on the Dempster Hwy in Oct. 2024, and Drin Wedzey in Feb. 2024. Continue to assist and lead other school-based efforts including trapping program together with DDRRC and YG; Land Guardian certificate program in partnership with Yukon U specifically related to field dressing, butchering, and processing workshop in 2023; worked with other partners (e.g., RCMP) to train staff to humanely dispatch road-injured animals and salvage meat to be used for community needs. VGFN – Land Guardian programs active all year: summer 2023 cabin maintenance; Sept. 2023 school fall hunt; early winter trail breaking and hunting; Dagoo Trail trip; Land Guardians maintaining game cameras set up to assess wildlife movements along winter road and adjacent valley; community hunts throughout the year; Big Caribou Days in May 2024; May 2024 Whitestone headwaters trip. AHTC – On-the-land programs throughout the year through the Aullaviat/Anguniarvik programming; increasing land guardian programs. NND – Youth camp in March to work with fur, trap muskrat and bush survival; Mayo community trapline for youth and elders; Road killed moose salvaged and distributed in community; beaver fur hat sewing classes.

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2.1.5	Develop an annual communication work plan that addresses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • herd status • management actions • board activities • hunter education • multi-year, multi-zone considerations • key messaging focus for field monitoring 	PCMB	Parties	By May 31 of each year and implemented prior to August 1	Updates to PCMB website ongoing; continue to maintain Facebook and Instagram platforms; communications planning underway by PCMB during recent meetings; will remind Parties to send communication priorities.
Task 2.2	Develop harvest allocation measures				
2.2.1	Develop a range-wide Native User Access and Consent Agreement	IGC convenes the meetings as required for the participants	TH, NND, VGG, IGC, GTC	Subject to the agreement by participants	NUA completed in 2019 with signing ceremony held in Inuvik in August 2019. Access and Consent Agreement still outstanding.
2.2.2	Develop a Yukon First Nations Native User Agreement	VGG convenes the meetings as required for the participants	TH, NND, VGG	Completed by spring 2017	Completed together with 2.2.1.
2.2.3	Develop a Yukon First Nations/Yukon Government Agreement that addresses, at minimum, the allocation of Annual Allowable Harvest in the orange zone between licensed and native users	YG convenes the meetings as required for the participants	TH, NND, VGG, YG	On completion of Yukon First Nations Native User Agreement	YG sent out initial letter to Parties on March 9, 2021 and to YFNs on July 21, 2024 to let them know YG is ready to work with YFNs to complete this task. YFNs were not available to meet but will attempt to schedule a meeting in the next year. The PCMB will be kept apprised of discussions.

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2.2.4	Develop a NWT Native User Agreement that addresses at minimum, the allocation of the NWT Native Annual Allowable Harvest in the orange zone	IGC, GTC convene bi-lateral meetings as required		Initiate in 2016	Completed together with 2.2.1.
2.2.5	Develop a NWT/Yukon/PCA administrative arrangement to recognize a range-wide Porcupine Caribou Herd tag	YG convenes discussions as required	GNWT, PCA	Upon completion of the Native User Agreement	Outstanding and still needs to be addressed.
Task 2.3	Implement harvest management measures				
2.3.1	Develop and implement jurisdiction-based harvest management measures.	All Parties	JS, WMACs, GRRB, HTC's, and RRCs	Fall 2010	Done as required in green zone; Two male tags for licensed hunters in NWT. Yukon regulations now aligned so that licensed harvest bag limit coincides with the colour zone management actions as recommended by the PCMB.
3. Monitoring, Evaluation and Adaptive Management					
Task 3.1	Evaluate the population model and modify as required				
3.1.1	Review and evaluate the population model and indicators, including the quality and reliability of the information they use and relative confidence in the estimates they produce. Modify as required.	PCTC	PCMB, Parties, Expert Contractor	As required	COMPLETED Further steps for education on the model under activity 1.3.1.1 and .2.

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Task 3.2	Evaluate the quality and reliability of the harvest data and associated reporting program and methodology and modify as required				
3.2.2	Conduct an independent review and evaluation, with recommendations where required, on the methodology, and quality and reliability of the reported and estimated total harvest (including sex ratios) of Porcupine Caribou	PCMB	PCTC, PCMB, Parties	Completed and provided prior to 2021 Annual Harvest Meeting	Harvest data collection programs not ready for review yet. Timeline revised during 2016 review of IP. Revisit this recommendation during an IP review. (New lead: PCMB instead of GC-PCA)
3.2.3	Based on the evaluation completed in Activity 3.2.2, formally review the effectiveness of harvest reporting methods and programs. Modify as required.	All Parties	PCMB, PCTC, WMACs, GRRB, HTC, RRCs	Periodically as agreed to by the Parties at the AHM	Dependent on 3.2.2
Task 3.3	Review and evaluate the PCH Harvest Management Plan and Implementation Plan and modify as appropriate				
3.3.1	Evaluate the effectiveness and need for any revisions of the HMP and Implementation Plan	PCMB coordinates the evaluation. All Parties approve revisions that may be required	WMACs, GRRB	Review in 2021	Administrative review of IP completed in 2015-16. Parties will review HMP and IP following completion of the PCH Conservation Plan or as needed, pending herd status.