

Draft Dawson Regional Plan Engagement

Date: June 16, 2021

Attendees:

- **DRPC: Tim Sellars, Nicole Percival, Charlotte Luscombe**
- **KPMA: Brooke Rudolph, Neil Loveless (Vice President), Stuart Schmidt (Director)**

Notes

- KPMA recognizes the hard work of the commission and the work to try and achieve balance
- Offer to DRPC to attend the KPMA AGM – present to the board and have a booth targeting the broader membership as well as interested public for in-person engagement
- Asked about implementation and what this might look like. How will the parties use the plan?
- Need to be clear in the plan that existing claims can be worked
- Some of the points in the Draft Plan around caribou don't make sense
- Miners have experienced that mining disturbances do not impact caribou, as long as they have a safe path through the operations, they don't seem to be bothered
- KPMA asked about the science supporting a pause on work when caribou are in the vicinity of activities. There is data that suggest that many activities do not interfere with caribou migration.
- Concerned about increasing government – more regulation without significant partnership with industry will hurt industry
- Adaptive management needs to be considered
- Where there is development, should consider doubling up – For example, an area used for placer could be cleared for timber use and later used for agriculture.
- New placer reclamation initiatives are underway e.g. KPMA 101 training program, RESOLVE Canada