

Co-management of Traditional Foods: Opportunities and Limitations for Food Security in Northern First Nation Communities

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APPENDIX 1: SEMI-STRUCTURED INTERVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

For First Nations Government Representatives:

- 1) What are the main sources of traditional foods consumed in your community?
- 2) How would you describe your community's access to food from the land (traditional food)?
- 3) What are the biggest challenges to your community's access to traditional food?
- 4) What do you think about your First Nation government's ability to control what happens to your lands and waters to protect your food sources?
- 5) What kind of influence does your First Nation government have over territorial policies that may impact your lands and waters and the food sources they provide?
 - a) Is this level of influence sufficient? Why? Why not?
 - b) If not, in what areas does your First Nation government need more influence to achieve food security?
- 6) Does your community have a food security strategy? Why/why not?

Additional Questions for Members of Kluane First Nation:

- 1) Why did Kluane First Nation develop a food security strategy?
- 2) What challenges did Kluane First Nation face during the development of its food security strategy?
- 3) What challenges do you expect to face as you continue with the implementation?
- 4) How might the strategy alter your approach to policy development, both locally and at the territorial level?

For Yukon Government Representatives:

- 1) How does your territorial government consider First Nations access to traditional food sources when developing policy? (This question may be adjusted according to which department the interviewee is from (i.e., how is First Nations food security considered in land use planning or wildlife management?))
- 2) What opportunities do First Nations governments have to influence policy decisions that may impact their access to lands and waters (for traditional food procurement) (e.g., mining, new roads)?

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- 3) What opportunities do First Nations governments have to influence the proactive development and implementation of policies at the territorial level to protect traditional food sources (e.g., if a First Nation noticed a significant decline in its local moose population, how could it influence the territorial hunting limits to allow that moose population to recover)?
- 4) If policies are implemented that will negatively impact a First Nation's access to traditional food sources, does the Yukon Government offer compensation or work with the First Nation to find alternative food sources? How?

For Representatives of Yukon Government Boards and Agencies (eg., Yukon Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment Board and Yukon Water Board):

- 1) How does your organization consider First Nations access to traditional food sources during your assessment process?
- 2) What opportunities do First Nations communities have to provide feedback on potential food security impacts of projects being assessed by your organization?
- 3) If the First Nation is unable to provide feedback due to capacity issues, does your organization assess/evaluate the potential impacts on access to traditional foods?
- 4) How important is the enhancement of food security to your organization? Are projects ever rejected due to threats to food security? If so, what are the trigger points?

For Members of Regional Land Use Planning Commissions:

- 1) How was access to traditional foods considered during the land use planning process?
- 2) What importance was protecting access to traditional food sources given during the process?
- 3) How did the final plan/final recommended plan respect First Nations concerns and feedback about access to traditional food?

For Parks Canada Employees:

- 1) How would you describe the nature of co-management of Kluane National Park and Reserve?
- 2) How are KFN and CAFN involved in Park management?
- 3) What are some of the key challenges you face with co-management?
- 4) How do you think the co-management structure could be improved?
- 5) How do you think co-management is working generally in the territory?
- 6) What do you think about the Yukon Government's decision to remove the no hunting corridor along the North Alaska Highway?