



DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS

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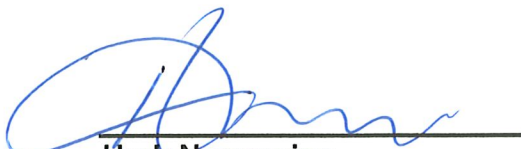

Gabe Hardisty, Elder
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Seconded by:


Lisa Lafferty, Proxy
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CARRIED
No Abstentions
None Against

Certified copy of Resolution
made in Fort Providence
dated October 15, 2025


Herb Norwegian
Grand Chief

**RE: Jurisdiction over Wildlife on Dehcho
Lands**

WHEREAS the draft Dehcho Agreement-in-Principle (AiP) would recognize Dehcho Citizens' Treaty harvesting rights throughout the traditional territory of the Dehcho First Nations; and

WHEREAS DFN and the GNWT remain deadlocked over the question of which government will have primary jurisdiction to legislate in relation to the management and harvesting of wildlife on Dehcho lands; and

WHEREAS the Dehcho People have exercised the right to govern, manage, and protect the wildlife of their lands since time immemorial, guided by Dene Laws, knowledge, and responsibilities to the land; and

WHEREAS it is essential that Dehcho Citizens and the Dehcho Government retain full authority and responsibility to manage wildlife in accordance with Dehcho values, practices, and the spirit and intent of Treaty 11;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Dehcho Agreement-in-Principle and the Dehcho Treaty will recognize that the Dehcho Government holds primary jurisdiction and authority to legislate in relation to the management, protection, and harvesting of wildlife within Dehcho traditional territory, consistent with Treaty 11, Dene Laws, and the inherent right of self-government.