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Yukon Water Board
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RE: Water Use Application – Miscellaneous Undertaking MS09-287, Yukon Government, Transportation Engineering Branch, Haunka Creek. Our File 2010-031

Hello Water Board Members,

My name is Bill Barrett Jr C/TFN's Land Manger. Our Land Use Team met yesterday March 22nd, and had some concerns with the upcoming undertakings at Haunka Creek. Although, there is no adjacent Settlement land along side the Creek, there is S-15B, some distance to the South, approximately 400-500m. The Atlin Road ROW, when established, will be bordered to the East by C/TFN's Agay Mene Special Management Area, where the planning committee has begun working towards a management plan. I realize the late submission and do apologize. The LUT wanted the Water Board to consider:

The Whitefish that spawn in Haunka early October if their spawning habitat can remain undisturbed, and assurances given as to their fall return. As C/TFN is not fully made aware, at this point, of the actual engineering plans and undertakings to re-do the bridge, with the possible stream diversion that may take place.

The LUT also recommends that a study be considered along the remaining creeks, that YTG engineers plan for the rest of the Atlin Road with Bridge Re-Aligning and Restructuring. There are fish bearing and possible un-documented spawning areas within the rest of the Road Re-Aligning project.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at 821-8233, or via email.

I thank the Board for their time and consideration in this submission.

In Unity, Gunalchise.

~Kagone Ick Laa~ Bill Barrett Jr.
C/TFN Land Manager.