

Industry

Watching the Caribou: What We Can Do

- Research and develop mitigation measures and best practices to reduce disturbance effects of their activities on caribou.
- Support caribou research and monitoring programs related to climate change impacts, disease and parasites, predator management programs and contaminants.
- Involve Indigenous communities in monitoring, research, and if applicable, management decisions about conservation of barren- ground caribou and their habitat.
- Invite and engage with Indigenous Knowledge-holders to discuss their knowledge on caribou and caribou habitat.
- Promote, support and/or participate in community-based monitoring programs including Guardians programs and other monitoring /research that studies what affects caribou health, productivity, and abundance.
- Support and fund community initiatives and educational programs directed at reducing effects of human activities on caribou.
- Implement BQCMB vulnerability assessment recommendations and encourage others to do the same.

Respecting the Caribou: What We Can Do

- Share respectful hunting information on social media and with peers.
- Develop Indigenous-led caribou stewardship plans and/or support them.
- Fund youth and Elder programs to assist communities in educating their young people about respectful harvest.

Respecting the Land: What We Can Do

- Conduct, fund and/or participate in research about caribou habitat and seasonal range use, factors that can have negative effects and cumulative effects on caribou habitat, and actions that can be taken to reduce those effects.
- Not propose and/or oppose developments proposed on calving grounds, post-calving ranges, spring migration range, and important water crossings.
- Work with industry and/or governments to develop mitigation methods and best practices to reduce the negative effects of human activities on caribou habitat and recommend these actions to regulatory agencies, project proponents, communities, and others.

Community Connections: What We Can Do

- Post BQCMB information in public buildings and schools.
- Support and/or continue to fund youth and elder attendance at each BQCMB meeting.
- Fund, promote, and/or apply for On-The-Land camp funding to educate youth about traditional knowledge.
- Continue to provide scholarships for students doing research to learn about barren-ground caribou and their habitat.

- Incorporate Indigenous Knowledge (IK) into caribou management plans, strategic plans, wildlife monitoring and management plans, operational and mitigation planning, and others as appropriate.
- Use proper protocols for using Indigenous Knowledge and recognize intellectual property rights.
- Air charter companies should maintain minimum flight heights and apply strong penalties for non-compliance.
- Meet with range communities, leadership, and wildlife organizations (such as HTO boards) to exchange information.