



Dehcho Land Use Planning Committee

April 7, 2006

To: Chief Eric Betsaka, Nahanni Butte Dene Band
Chief Harry Deneron, Acho Dene Koe Band
Chief Dennis Deneron, Sambaa K'e Dene Band

RE: Proposed Revisions to Southwest Dehcho Overlap Area

Dear Chiefs,

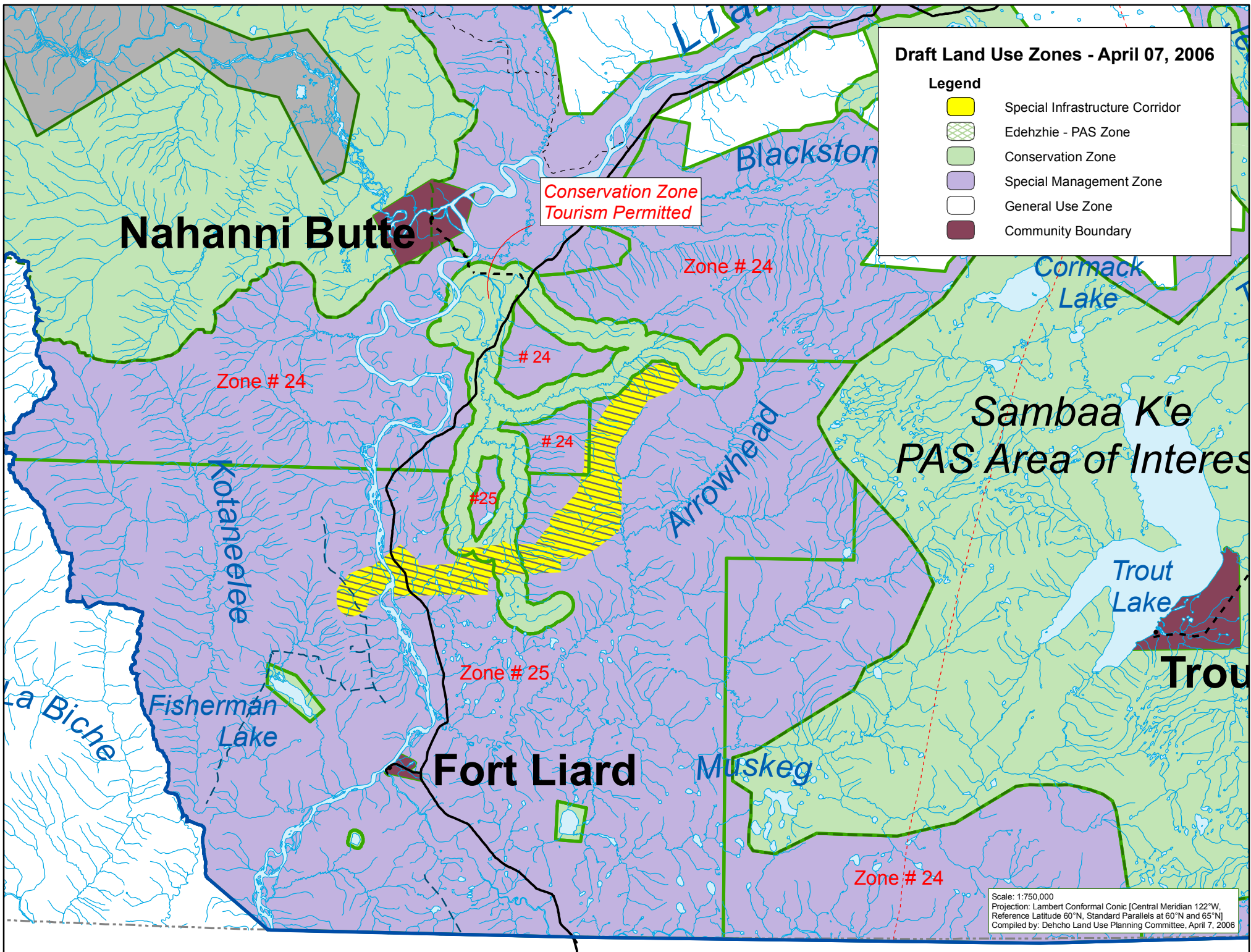
Please find attached a map illustrating proposed revisions put forth by Nahanni Butte Dene Band earlier today. Peter Marcellais visited our office on behalf of his community to identify areas along the Netla River and important tributaries and lakes requiring protection. The associated comments are attached. The area mapped would be a new Conservation Zone with only tourism permitted. It would modify the boundaries of Special Management Zones 24 (the new one) and 25 (formally Zone 26).

Nahanni Butte feels that protection of the river system would allow them to move forward with development in the remaining areas, subject to their continued consultation and support as described in the attachment. The Netla-Arrowhead Special Infrastructure Corridor will continue to float over this new Conservation Zone. Additional wording may be added to the Term and Zone Descriptions to recognize the importance of minimizing impacts across this river. Final wording on the Term and Zone descriptions of these areas is still being developed and will be circulated to you for comment upon completion.

Please review the attached map and send any additional comments to my attention by next Thursday, April 13th. If you have any questions, please contact me at (867) 699-3164 or hwiebe@dehcholands.org.

Sincerely,

Heidi Wiebe, Executive Director
Dehcho Land Use Planning Committee



ALL RIVERS, CREEKS, AND TRIBUTARIES SHOULD BE PROTECTED, AT
LEAST 50 m ^{7/100} 100 m ALONG THE SIDES
OUR GREATEST CONCERN WOULD BE THE PROTECTION OF
THE NETLA RIVER ^{FR} WATERSHED, THERE ARE NESTING AREAS
FOR WATERFOWL, SWANS AND ALSO WHERE WE HARVEST
FISH, (PIKE, SUCKERS, PICKERLS, WHITE FISH, RIVER TROUT, WACAN)
IN THE SPRING TIME, WHEN WE ALSO HUNT BEAVER ALONG
THE NETLA RIVER, CREEKS.

WE HAVE VERY DETAILED INFORMATION SURROUNDING ALL
OUR TRADITIONAL LANDS, IF MORE INFO IS REQUIRED,
NAMES OF FAMILIES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN THESE
AREAS ARE LISTED BELOW

Proposed SIC - BETSAKA/KONISENTA

Proposed Development Zone - BETSAKA / KONISENTA

X-2 - BETSAKA / KONISENTA

" 2 - EKOTLA / BETSAKA / KONISENTA

THE NAMAWN BUTTE DENE BAND HAS A GREAT DEAL OF
INFORMATION ON OUR TRADITIONAL LAND USE, OUR TRADITIONAL
BOUNDARY IS FROM YUKON BORDER, ^{EAST} TO 122 DEGREES LONGITUDE
AND NORTH OF 60 DEGREES 40 MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE.

ANY OIL AND GAS RIGHTS ISSUANCE IN THE NAMAWN BUTTE
DENE BANDS TRADITIONAL LAND USE AREA WILL HAVE
TO BE APPROVED BY NDB, AND CONSULTATION SHOULD
BE DONE BEFORE ANY RIGHTS ISSUANCE. ALSO NDB
SKDB, AND ADK SHOULD ALL AGREE TO THE RIGHTS
ISSUANCE

IF ALL PARTIES AGREE THAT THE COMPANIES THAT
ARE INTERESTED SHOULD FIRST CONSULT WITH NDB
ITS OUR TRADITIONAL AREA AND WE SHOULD HAVE
THE FIRST, AND LAST SAY!