

# BOREAL CARIBOU RANGE PLANNING

CONSERVING BOREAL CARIBOU TOGETHER

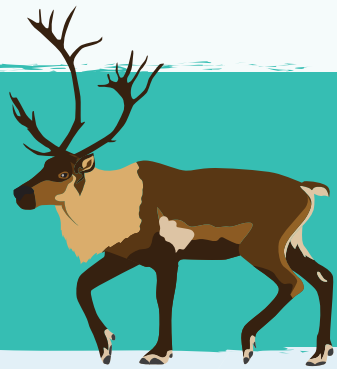
Across the Northwest Territories, people co-exist with the land and wildlife. Many people feel a strong connection to wildlife like caribou. When people are on the land, they notice where the caribou are, where they are not, and how healthy they are.

Boreal caribou are known by many names in different Indigenous languages:

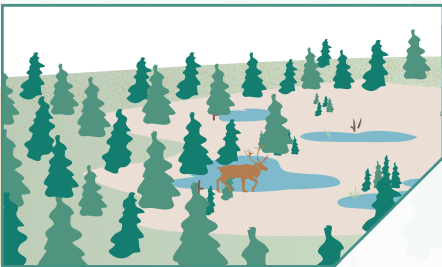
Chipewyan: tǎdzié  
Cree: sakaw atihk  
Gwich'in: vadzaih

Inuinnaqtun: tuktu  
Inuktitut: tuttu  
Inuvialuktun: tuktu  
or tuttu

Tlicho: tǎdzi  
South Slavey: mbedzih or medzih  
North Slavey: gop'í gotǎdzi or  
deshwǎnéǎ tǎdzi



## Boreal caribou habitat NEEDS



Large, continuous, connected forest and muskeg habitats

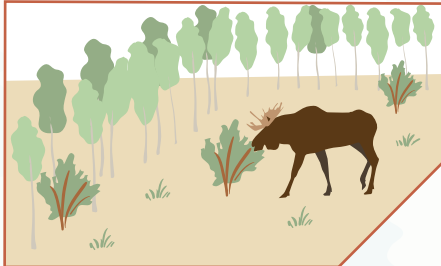


Space to avoid predators like wolves

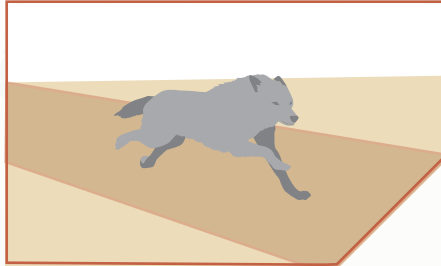
## Boreal caribou habitat THREATS



Intense wildfires, development or land clearing remove old forests that are important for caribou



Young forests may support more moose, which then brings more predators



Roads and cutlines allow predators to travel faster and access remote habitats

### Shared range planning

Together, we can find out:

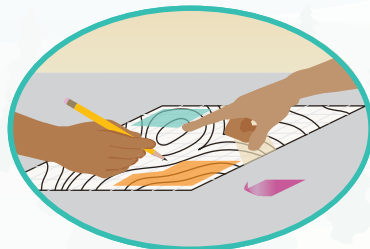
What areas are important to boreal caribou?

What areas are important to communities?

What areas are important for development?



Community plans and values



Where caribou are and what places are important to them



Needs related to land use and development

### This information is used to develop Management classes

#### Basic

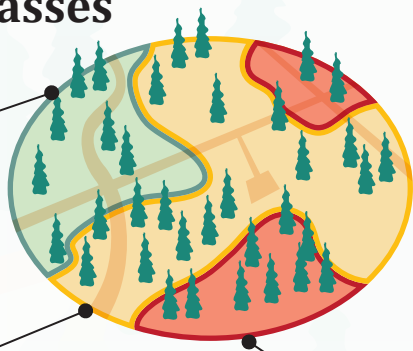
- Best practices are encouraged but there are few constraints.
- Less needed by caribou.

#### Enhanced

- Disturbed areas should be used if possible for new developments.
- Any new disturbances are to be restored.
- Forests are somewhat protected from fire.
- More needed by caribou.

#### Intensive

- Disturbed areas must be used for new developments.
- Higher levels of restoration are required.
- Key forest areas are protected from fire.
- Most needed by caribou.



Managing boreal caribou together for the future

As we create and carry out range plans, the Government of Northwest Territories will work with its partners to monitor boreal caribou. Over time, the way boreal caribou respond

to our actions will tell us how well we are doing. This way we can adjust our actions and ensure a healthy boreal caribou population for generations to come. To learn more, visit [www.enr.gov.nt.ca](http://www.enr.gov.nt.ca)



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