



Species At Risk Act (SARA) Consultation, Cooperation, and
Accommodation Virtual Workshop Series

Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Planning—In-depth Virtual Workshops

Hosted by:

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)
The Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources (CIER)

Registration

Please register for your preferred date at the appropriate Zoom registration link below. The six workshops will follow a similar format, but the content may vary based on the interests of the participants at each session. Attendance at multiple sessions is okay, but not necessary (all times listed in Pacific Time):

Thursday Feb 25 - 1:00pm-4:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtceuppj0iE9wHKThySwrV4uJU98SzPd5E>

Wednesday March 3 - 1:00pm-4:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0lcuytpjopE9TKN-OZrx3KSkxQshc7wOxd>

Thursday March 4 - 9:00am-12:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApdeCorTgrHNQ-wtfRvfnkkUroYwK4ZfGN>

Tuesday March 9 - 9:00am-12:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtcuyorj0oHNfC00MjvzakjMcR631JSBB5>

Tuesday March 16 - 1:00pm-4:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEufu-qrijvHNQQWL53edirWCKIAvjikJ9d>

Wednesday March 17 - 9:00am-12:00pm:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEuc-2trT8iE9IJdxsFqe-Frq3Bo1BkvzR5>

Workshop Purpose

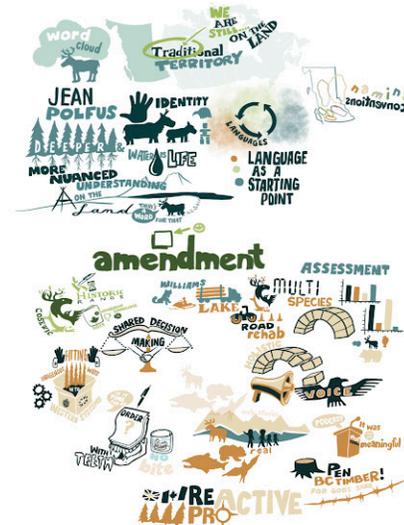
The purpose of this series of in-depth caribou workshops is to collaborate with communities to find meaningful ways to increase Indigenous representation in the federal Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Strategy. We will build on the conversations that were initiated during the full-day virtual overview workshops held January 26th, 27th, and February 2nd (the caribou components are summarized visually below with additional materials available on the [CIER website](#)).



Day 1
TUES January 26 2021



Day 2
WED January 27 2021



Day 3
TUES February 02 2021



Objectives and Proposed Agenda

In this workshop, we hope to begin co-developing the **engagement approach (process)** for amending the federal Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Strategy and to begin discussing how **content** related to Indigenous knowledge and language can be meaningfully and respectfully included in the update. We will be building on the dialogue from the previous sessions where we discussed how a biocultural diversity approach has the potential to decolonize the language used to describe caribou by recognizing and empowering the voices of Indigenous peoples to shape caribou recovery efforts.

The three hour virtual workshops will be held in either the morning (9:00am-12:00pm PST) or the afternoon (1:00pm-4:00pm PST) depending on which of the six dates you attend.

TOPIC	KEY QUESTIONS	OUTCOMES
<p>Opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Virtual housekeeping Opening words Round of introductions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would you benefit from more opportunities to work with or talk to other Indigenous communities about caribou recovery? How would you like to connect with other communities or organizations? What are the current challenges to working or collaborating with other Indigenous communities on caribou recovery? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Build connections and help encourage network Support community needs around caribou recovery
<p>Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation on the 2014 Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Strategy and the current opportunities for updating/amending the strategy to meaningfully include Indigenous knowledge and language Direction from the Species at Risk Act on cooperation Timeline going forward 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can ECCC facilitate community involvement in the next steps of the recovery strategy update? What is the best way to collaborate (emails, more workshops, online forums, others)? How can ECCC make communication easier and make real progress to support community needs and caribou recovery efforts? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> ECCC would like to hear direction from communities on how to set up the next phase of collaborative work (starting April 2021).
<p>Break and Networking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Networking option 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build connections and community of practice

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<p>Content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on the biocultural diversity approach to including Indigenous languages in the Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Strategy • Other potential opportunities for including Indigenous knowledge, languages, stories and concepts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can ECCC respectfully represent the range of deep and meaningful relationships with caribou of all ~110 Indigenous communities in the Recovery Strategy? • Would communities like the Recovery Strategy to include tables of Indigenous words for caribou? • Would communities be comfortable with maps that represent Indigenous words for caribou? • Are there ideas for how to represent the importance of the historic range of caribou, perhaps including relevant placenames? • Are there recommendations for how IK, stories and concepts might be respectfully included in an appropriate way? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ECCC would like direction from communities on how to include language and Indigenous knowledge in the Recovery Strategy amendment. 2. ECCC would like to start working to verify Indigenous words for caribou and collaborate to develop appropriate representations of communities historic and robust relationships with caribou. 3. ECCC would like to understand other IK topics that should also be included in future discussions?
<p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recap • Closing 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Close with a commitment to share, after all 6 workshops, a draft for the next steps of this collaborative engagement approach, for review.

Background Materials

Materials from the first set of virtual overview workshops, including the agenda, presenter bios, pdfs of the presentations, and the full set of illustrations captured during the graphic recording can be found on CIER's website:

<http://www.yourcier.org/sara-consultation-cooperation-and-accommodation-project-in-british-columbia.html>

Southern Mountain Caribou Recovery Strategy on the Species at Risk Public registry:

https://wildlife-species.canada.ca/species-risk-registry/virtual_sara/files/plans/rs_woodland%20caribou_bois_s_mtn_0614_e.pdf

Principles for Participation

This workshop will provide a safe virtual environment for discussions and listening to occur using the principles of ethical space to co-create a space for collaboration and to move the conversation meaningfully towards reconciliation.

- Ethical space respects the integrity of all knowledge systems
- Ethical space creates a place for knowledge systems to interact with mutual respect, kindness, and generosity
- Ethical space provides a venue for collaboration, sharing and providing advice
- Ethical space principles include the concept that one system of knowing or one language does not have more legitimacy than another and one system does not need another to achieve internal validity
- Ethical space requires flexibility

The virtual space will be respectful of diversity, equity and inclusion.

Hosts

Environment and Climate Change Canada - Canadian Wildlife Service

ECCC is the federal department of the Government of Canada responsible for coordinating environmental policies and programs and preserving and enhancing the natural environment and renewable resources. The Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) is a branch of ECCC that is responsible for (within jurisdictional constraints) the protection and management of migratory birds, species at risk, and their nationally important habitats, the management of National Wildlife Areas and Migratory Bird Sanctuaries, the review of environmental assessments, the review and issuance of permits under the Migratory Bird Regulations, Migratory Bird Sanctuary Regulations, Wildlife Area Regulations, and Species at Risk Act, Bird Conservation Region Plans under the North American Bird Conservation Initiative, and Recovery Strategies and Management Plans under the Species at Risk Act.

The Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources

CIER is Canada's first, national Indigenous-directed environmental charitable organization. CIER's mission is to work in partnership with Indigenous Nations to support and build sustainable Indigenous communities and a healthy environment. Our work focuses on "Building Sustainable Communities" and "Protecting Lands and Waters" through capacity building, training, and collaborative research using traditional, local, and Western science methods. CIER works across political boundaries and cross-cultural settings on environmental issues, recognizing and respecting Indigenous rights.



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