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# WILDLIFE VIEWING

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## Concern 1

### A wildlife viewing site at Devil's Elbow should be developed.

The Devil's Elbow site is easily viewed from the Silver Trail highway, along the Stewart River. It is locally known as an important moose calving area, and is further identified in the Yukon Wildlife Viewing guide as site to see moose and nesting waterfowl. Wildlife viewing sites often highlight special habitat areas and have been found to be a useful way to protect sites through public focus and attention.

The RRC initiated the wildlife viewing project at Devil's Elbow as a result of the 1997-2001 plan. There have been preliminary contacts with the student summer program, Y2C2 for site preparation.

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### Solution Plan to develop a wildlife viewing pullout at Devil's Elbow.

A location for the pullout off the highway needs to be identified. Interpretive signs should convey the importance of the area as habitat for cow moose, and provide information on the culture of the NND as part of the information.

#### Commitment

By who? By when?

RRC/YTG/NND  
2002-2005

Develop a site, viewing platform, information boards, and a pullout. [78]

The YTG wildlife-viewing program is committed to developing the site, in collaboration with NND and the RRC.

## Concern 2

### Wildlife viewing needs to be promoted in the NND traditional territory.

In the 1997-2001 plan, interest in wildlife viewing as a non-consumptive use was highlighted. There has been progress made since then, with the development of the Keno City Alpine Interpretive Centre, and the publication of a pamphlet on viewing alpine wildlife in the Keno City area. During the review of the 1997-2001 plan, the plan partners agreed there is an ongoing need for promotion of wildlife viewing in the area.

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### Solution Provide wildlife viewing opportunities for the public in NND traditional territory.

While the plan partners recognize this is an ongoing need, there are also limited resources for planning and site development to get this work done. Site identification will continue and be revisited at plan review to determine if more work is possible in the NND traditional territory

#### Commitment

By who? By when?

RRC/YTG/NND  
2002-2007

Work with conservation organizations to promote establishment of wildlife viewing areas in NND traditional territory. [79]

At the mid-term review of the plan, the plan partners will assess other wildlife viewing sites and work with the relevant groups for establishment as necessary.

RRC/YTG/NND  
2002-2007

Produce and distribute pamphlets to tourists and residents on wildlife viewing opportunities in NND traditional territory. [80]

This is an ongoing need to be undertaken by the RRC, in consultation with NND and YTG as necessary.