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ISSUE: Kugluktuk Angoniatit Association (HTO) written response to Government of Nunavut's submission for 2023 Beverly Caribou population estimate and herd status

**BACKGROUND:**

- Kugluktuk harvesters have been accessing the Beverly caribou since 2019. But it is believed that Beverly caribou have always been harvested
- Bluenose East caribou is the main caribou herd Kugluktuk harvesters use. This herd has seen a decline and an increase in the last several years
- Bathurst Caribou has been in decline
- Kugluktuk hunters have been stating that some Bathurst Caribou have been joining the Beverly Caribou

**CURRENT STATUS:**

- The Government of Nunavut conducted population estimate and herd status in 2023. The whole herd abundance shows an increase since the last survey

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- The Kugluktuk HTO would like to be involved in any meetings/groups regarding Beverly Caribou
- The Kugluktuk HTO would like both the Government of Nunavut and Northwest Territories to coordinate barren ground caribou surveys. They should be done at the same time to get a better picture of all herd estimates

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