

WILDLIFE ACT

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**BATHURST CARIBOU HERD
TOTAL ALLOWABLE HARVEST ORDER**

Whereas there has been a precipitous decline in the population of the Bathurst Caribou Herd since the 1980s, from more than approximately 500,000 to approximately 20,000 animals;

And whereas the Minister has accepted a decision of the NWMB on the total allowable harvest and non-quota limitation for the Bathurst Caribou Herd;

And whereas the NWMB has not yet made a decision respecting the basic needs level for the Bathurst Caribou Herd;

And whereas the Minister is of the opinion that urgent and unusual circumstances exist requiring an immediate modification in harvesting activities with respect to the Bathurst Caribou Herd;

The Minister, in accordance with the accepted decision of the NWMB, under sections 120, 121, 150, 156, and 157, and paragraph 121(b) of the *Wildlife Act* and every enabling power, makes the annexed *Bathurst Caribou Herd Total Allowable Harvest Order*.

1. In this Order,

“harvest year” means an annual period commencing on July 1 of each year and ending on June 30 of the following year. (*année de récolte*)

“Bathurst Caribou Herd” means all caribou found within the boundaries of the Bathurst Caribou Herd Harvest Management Area set out in the schedule. (*herde de caribous de Bathurst*)

2. (1) A total allowable harvest is established for the Bathurst Caribou Herd in accordance with this Order.

(2) The total allowable harvest from the population of the Bathurst Caribou Herd is 30 caribou for each harvest year.

(3) It is presumed that Inuit have a basic need for at least the full amount of the total allowable harvest set in subsection (2).

(4) The full amount of the total allowable harvest for each harvest year is allocated to Inuit.

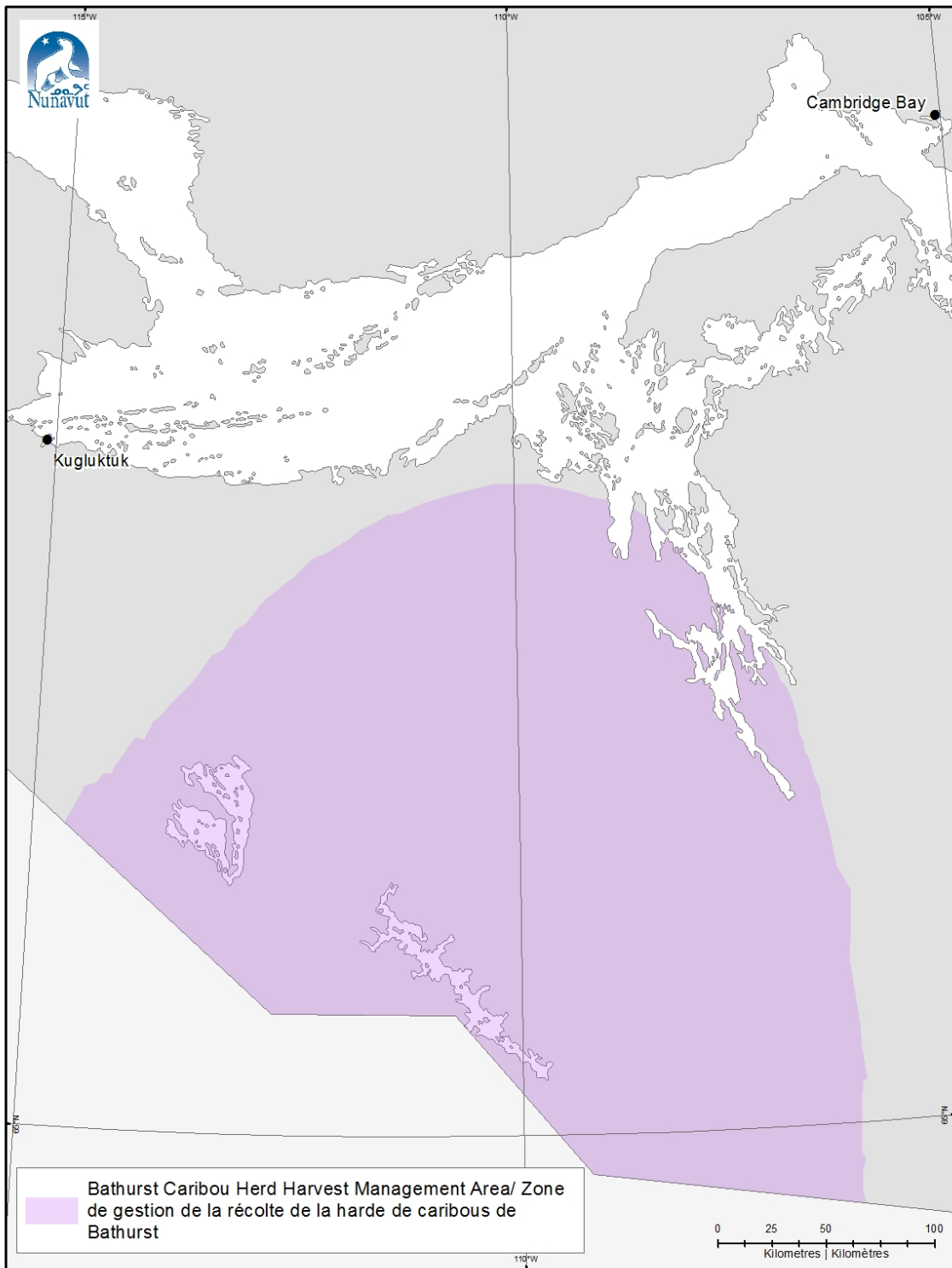
3. No person shall harvest female caribou from the Bathurst Caribou Herd.

4. Subsections 2(3) and (4) are subject to review as soon as practicable by the NWMB in accordance with section 158 of the Act, but remain in effect until the earlier of:

- (a) the coming into force of an Order to implement an accepted decision of the NWMB respecting the basic needs level for the Bathurst Caribou Herd; or
- (b) the coming into force of a subsequent Order of the Minister respecting the basic needs level for the Bathurst Caribou Herd.

SCHEDULE

(Section 1)



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