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**RE: Changes to Streamline Natural Resource Permits: Fish and Wildlife Modernization
(ERO Policy Proposal 026-0539)**

Dear Jamie:

On behalf of the Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters Association (NOTO), thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Ministry's proposal to modernize certain fish and wildlife approvals to improve service delivery and support economic development opportunities by streamlining statutory and regulatory processes for low-risk activities, as detailed in [ERO policy posting 026-0539](#).

Founded in 1929, NOTO is dedicated to proactive planning, development and promotion of a strong nature and outdoor tourism industry in Ontario. NOTO supports the resource-based tourism (RBT) industry through advocacy, information services and business support. We work with Government on policies that will support a strong and vibrant outdoor tourism industry in Ontario.

NOTO members and the broader RBT sector rely heavily upon access to Ontario Crown land and waters to deliver important economic benefits to the economy of northern Ontario. In doing so, the RBT sector works closely with MNR and other ministries to help manage and sustain the lands, waters, fisheries and wildlife on Crown lands. For these reasons, we have a keen interest in all matters related to the management of Ontario's fish and wildlife resources and populations.

We have reviewed this proposal in detail and we wish to advise that NOTO is not opposed to any of the proposals as described.

Please do not hesitate to contact NOTO for further engagement. We look forward to continuing to work with MNR as the policy and permitting review process continues.

Take care,

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