M.O., 99026

Order of the Minister responsible for Wildlife and Parks dated 31 August 1999

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.O., c. C-61.1)

Regulation respecting trapping and the fur trade

CONSIDERING that section 26.1, section 54.1 and the second, third and fourth paragraphs of section 56 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., c. C-61.1), amended respectively by sections 1, 7 and 8 of Chapter 29 of the Statutes of 1998, provide that the Minister may make regulations on the matters contained therein;

CONSIDERING that section 18 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) provides that a regulation may come into force within a shorter time limit than that prescribed in section 17 of the Act, where the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

CONSIDERING that section 18 of the Act provides that the reasons justifying such coming into force must be published with the Regulation;

CONSIDERING that the Minister responsible for Wildlife and Parks is of the opinion that the urgency due to the following circumstances justifies such coming into force:

— it is expedient to create as soon as possible the trapping licences for the new fur-bearing animal management units, since the licences must be available before the fall trapping season;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to make the Regulation respecting trapping and the fur trade, attached to this Order;

ORDERS:

THAT the Regulation respecting trapping and the fur trade, attached hereto, be made.

Québec, 31 August 1999

GUY CHEVRETTE, Minister responsible for Wildlife and Parks

Regulation respecting trapping and the fur trade

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife

(R.S.Q., c. C-61.1, ss. 26.1, 54.1 and 56, 2nd to 4th pars.; 1998, c. 29, ss. 1, 7 and 8)

CHAPTER I

SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

- **1.** This Regulation governs trapping in Québec, subject to any special provisions of other regulations made under the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., c. C-61.1) that apply to specific territories, and the fur trade.
- 2. In this Regulation,

"fur-bearing animal" means a species listed in Schedule I to the Regulation respecting trapping activities and the fur trade, made by Order in Council 1027-99 dated 8 September 1999;

"trapping implement, implement or type of implement" means one of the trapping implements described in Schedule I:

"fur-bearing animal management unit" or "FAMU" means any fur-bearing animal management unit established by Minister's Order 99025 dated 31 August 1999.

CHAPTER II

TRAPPING

DIVISION I

TRAPPING LICENCES

- **3.** The types and classes of trapping licence are the following:
 - (1) resident's general trapping licence;
 - (2) non-resident's general trapping licence;
 - (3) resident's trapping licence for a new FAMU;
 - (4) non-resident's trapping licence for a new FAMU;
 - (5) professional trapping licence;
 - (6) assistant trapper's licence.
- **4.** The general trapping licence and the trapping licence for a new FAMU are valid from 1 April to 15 May of the following year. The professional trapping licence and the assistant trapper's licence are valid from 1 August to 31 July of the following year.

5. The trapping licence shows the holder's name and date of birth and, in the case of a resident, the hunter's or trapper's certificate number which attests that the holder has the required skills to trap, and the code "P".

It is also numbered.

6. The general trapping licence and the trapping licence for a new FAMU also show the date, time and minute of issue and the FAMU number given upon application for the licence.

The general trapping licence includes two detachable transportation coupons that bear the licence number.

7. The professional trapping licence for a lessee of exclusive trapping rights also shows the territories referred to in paragraphs 1 and 4 of section 16 of the Regulation respecting trapping activities and the fur trade and the number of the FAMU in which is located the territory covered by the lease of exclusive rights of that lessee.

The professional trapping licence issued for the Plaisance Wildlife Sanctuary also shows the part of the territory referred to in paragraph 2 of section 17 of the Regulation respecting trapping activities and the fur trade.

Two transportation coupons bearing the licence number are also attached to the professional trapping licence.

- **8.** The assistant trapper's licence shows, in addition, the territory and the number of the FAMU which is the same as that specified on the professional trapping licence with which it is associated.
- **9.** Any trapping licence bears the signature of the holder and of the issuer, except for the professional trapping licence and the assistant trapper's licence.

Any assistant trapper's licence bears the signature of the holder of a professional trapping licence with which it is associated.

10. A lost, stolen or unusable trapping licence may be replaced upon the holder's request and on payment of the fees prescribed for that licence in the Regulation respecting the scale of fees and duties related to the development of wildlife, made by Order in Council 1291-91 dated 18 September 1991.

DIVISION IITRAPPING CONDITIONS

- **11.** The trapping of fur-bearing animals is permitted for the animals and under the conditions prescribed in Schedule III, except in the Île d'Anticosti Wildlife Sanctuary and the territories shown on the plans in Schedules IV to XII where trapping remains prohibited.
- **12.** Trapping is permitted using the following instruments:
- (1) bait, either food or odorous substances to attract an animal for the purpose of trapping it;
- (2) decoys, that is, inanimate objects or artificial reproductions of the shape of an animal or stuffed animals used to attract an animal or to gain its confidence for the purpose of trapping it;
- (3) a trapping implement shown in Column II of Schedule II for each of the species provided for in Column I of the Schedule.

However, the trapping of black bears is permitted with a Type 2 trapping implement except from 15 May to 30 June.

The holder of a trapping licence who uses a Type 2, 3 or 5 trapping implement must install it so that the trapped animal is never in an entirely suspended position.

13. The holder of a trapping licence may, 30 days before the beaver trapping period starts and during that period, damage a beaver dam to locate a beaver; the licence holder may also, during the beaver trapping period, damage the dam to install a trap.

Furthermore, the holder of a trapping licence may, during the muskrat trapping period, open a muskrat's den to install a trap, except from 25 October to 1 March in the FAMUs number 16, 24, 25, 37 and 79 to 86; however, the licence holder must close up the den immediately after setting the trap.

14. Notwithstanding section 11 and subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of section 12, muskrat and American mink trapping is permitted with a Type 7 trapping implement in the FAMUs specified in Schedule III, from the starting dates of the trapping periods for these species, determined for each FAMU up to 31 December or an earlier date, where the end date of the trapping period for a species is prior to 31 December.

However, the trapping of the species referred to in the first paragraph with a Type 7 trapping implement is not permitted from 1 January to 15 May.

- **15.** For trapping purposes, a dog may be used to locate a muskrat.
- **16.** The holder of a trapping licence may use a firearm to kill a black bear, lynx, wolf, fox, raccoon, coyote or a striped skunk that is caught in a trap.
- **17.** The holder of a general trapping licence or the holder of a professional trapping licence may, in one year, capture two black bears. The bears captured by the holder of a trapping licence for a new FAMU are counted as bears captured by a holder of a general trapping licence.

In each of the FAMUs number 8 to 15, 17 to 22, 26 to 66 and 70 to 78, the holder of a general trapping licence or the holder of a professional trapping licence may, in one year, capture two Canadian lynx. The Canadian lynx captured by the holder of a trapping licence for a new FAMU are counted as lynx captured by a holder of a general trapping licence.

However, a professional trapping licence holder who traps on a territory referred to in paragraph 4 of section 16 of the Regulation respecting trapping activities and the fur trade may use the bag limit of another holder of a professional trapping licence who has given such authorization and has also not reached the bag limit specified in the first and second paragraphs.

For the purposes of this section, the bears and lynx captured by assistant trappers of a professional trapping licence holder are counted as bears and lynx captured by the professional trapping licence holder.

CHAPTER III FUR TRADE

- **18.** The types and classes of licences for the activities referred to in section 53 of the Act are the following:
- (1) a trader's or intermediary's licence to sell or trade undressed pelts for residents or non-residents;
- (2) a licence to dress raw pelts for taxidermy purposes;
 - (3) a licence to dress raw pelts;
 - (4) a public auction licence to sell raw pelts.
- **19.** The licences provided for in section 18 are valid from 1 October to 30 September of the following year.

CHAPTER IV FINAL

- **20.** This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting trapping and the fur trade made by Order in Council 1289-91 dated 18 September 1991.
- **21.** This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

SCHEDULE I

(s. 2)

TRAPPING IMPLEMENTS

- (1) "Type 1": spring traps designed to kill the animal quickly, and whose jaws do not have teeth, hooks, claws, barbs or other projections;
- (2) "Type 2": neck snares equipped with a locking device:
- (3) "Type 3": spring leg-hold traps whose jaws do not have teeth, hooks, claws, barbs or other projections;
- (4) "Type 4": spring leg-hold traps equipped with a device that drowns the animal, and whose jaws do not have teeth, hooks, claws, barbs or other protections, or snares equipped with a device that drowns the animal;
- (5) "Type 5": foot snare equipped with a locking device;
- (6) "Type 6": spring leg-hold traps equipped with a device to prevent self-mutilation and a second device that drowns the trapped animal, and whose jaws do not have teeth, hooks, claws, barbs or other projections;
- (7) "Type 7": a cage equipped with a valve at each opening and that may be equipped with wings or a lead, intended to be submerged by a minimum of 2.5 cm of water; the length of the cage shall be not more than 80 cm. Where the cage is round, the diameter shall be not more than 35 cm; where it is of another shape, the sides shall be not more than 20 cm. The wire netting of the cage may not have a diameter less than 2.5 cm where the meshes are round and it may not have an inside diagonal less than 3.6 cm where the meshes are of another shape.

SCHEDULE II

(s. 12)

TYPE OF TRAPPING IMPLEMENT ACCORDING TO SPECIES OF FUR-BEARING ANIMAL

	Column I Species		Column II Implement type	
	Common name	Scientific name		
1.	Long-tailed weasel	Mustela frenata	1, 2	
2.	Least weasel	Mustela nivalis	1, 2	
3.	Wolverine	Gulo gulo	None permitted	
4.	Beaver	Castor canadensis	1, 4	
5.	Coyote	Canis latrans	1, 2, 3, 5	
6.	Red squirrel	Tamiasciurus hudsonicus	1, 2	
7.	Grey squirrel	Sciurus carolinensis	1, 2	
8.	Ermine	Mustela erminea	1, 2	
9.	Wolf	Canis lupus	1, 2, 3, 5	
10.	River otter	Lutra canadensis	1, 4	
11.	Canadian lynx	Lynx canadensis	1, 2, 3, 5	
12	Bobcat	Lynx rufus	None permitted	
13.	American marten	Martes americana	1, 2	
14.	Striped skunk	Mephitis mephitis	1, 2	
	Polar bear	Ursus maritimus	None permitted	
16.	Black bear	Ursus americanus	5	
17.	Fisher	Martes pennanti	1, 2	
18.	Muskrat (Note 1)	Ondatra zibethicus	1, 4, 6	
	Raccoon	Procyon lotor	1, 2	
20.	Red fox (silver, crossbred or red)	Vulpes vulpes	1, 2, 3, 5	
	Arctic fox (white or blue)	Alopex lagopus	1, 2, 3, 5	
	Grey fox	Urocyon cinereoargenteus	None permitted	
	American mink	Mustela vison	1, 4, 6	

Note 1: Only implement types 1 and 6 may be set in the muskrat's den.

SCHEDULE III (s. 11)

TRAPPING PERIODS IN THE FAMUS

FAMU	Black bear	Muskrat	Long-tailed weasel, least weasel, coyote, grey squirrel (grey or black), red squirrel, ermine, wolf, striped skunk, raccoon, arctic fox (white or blue), red fox (silver, crossbred or red)	Beaver, river otter, American mink	American marten, Fisher	Canadian lynx
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (Note 1), 11, 13, 30, 31, 41	15 05/30 06 18 10/15 12	18 10/30 04	18 10/01 03	18 10/15 03	18 10/01 03	15 11/15 12
8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15	15 05/05 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/30 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	15 11/15 12
16, 79, 80, 81, 82	15 05/30 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/15 04	25 10/01 03	15 11/01 03	25 10/31 01	
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19 (Note 2)	15 05/05 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/25 11 01 03/15 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	15 11/15 12
20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 33, 34, 35	15 05/30 06 25 10/15-12	25 10/30 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	01 12/31 12
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37	15 05/30 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/15 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	01 12/31 12
38 (Note 1), 40	15 05/30 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/30 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	15 11/15 12
39	18 10/15 12	18 10/30 04	18 10/01 03	18 10/15 03	18 10/15 12	15 11/15 12
57, 58, 59 (Note 3), 60 (Note 3), 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66	15 05/30 06 15 09/15 12	11 10/15 05	11 10/01 03	11 10/15 03	11 10/01 03	15 12/15 01
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FAMU	Black bear	Muskrat	Long-tailed weasel, least weasel, coyote, grey squirrel (grey or black), red squirrel, ermine, wolf, striped skunk, raccoon, arctic fox (white or blue), red fox (silver, crossbred or red)	Beaver, river otter, American mink	American marten, Fisher	Canadian lynx
68 (Note 4)		01 11/30 04	01 11/01 03	01 11/15 03		
69			01 12/15 12 (Note 5)			
70, 71, 72 (Note 1), 73	15 05/30 06 18 10/15 12	01 11/30 04	18 10/01 03	01 11/01 03	15 11/15 01	15 11/15 12
74 (Note 1), 75, 76 (Note 1), 77	15 05/30 06 18 10/15 12	25 10/30 04	18 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/31 12	15 11/15 12
78	15 05/30 06 25 10/15 12	25 10/30 04	25 10/01 03	25 10/01 03	25 10/31 01	15 11/15 12

Note 1: In the wildlife sanctuaries of the FAMUs number 7, 38, 72, 74 and 76, bear trapping is permitted only in the fall.

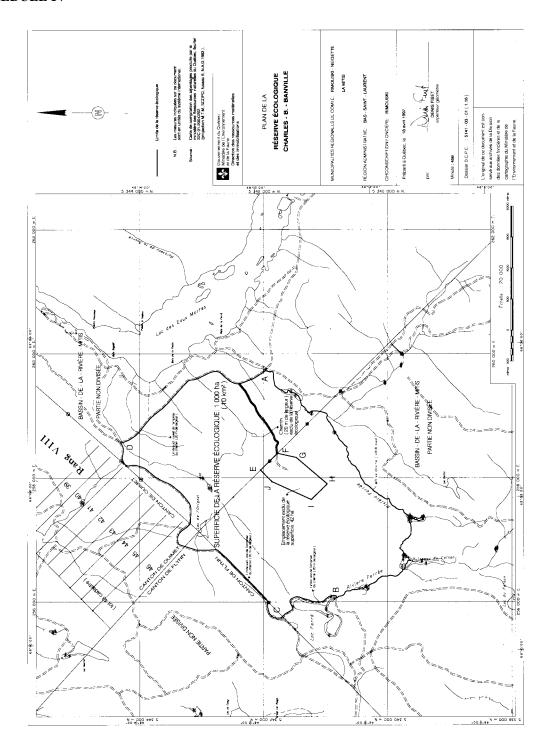
Note 2: In the Plaisance Wildlife Sanctuary (FAMU 19), only the trapping of muskrat, beaver and American mink is permitted.

Note 3: In the Port-Cartier-Sept-Îles Wildlife Sanctuary (FAMUs 59 and 60), the bear trapping period in the fall is from 11 October to 15 November.

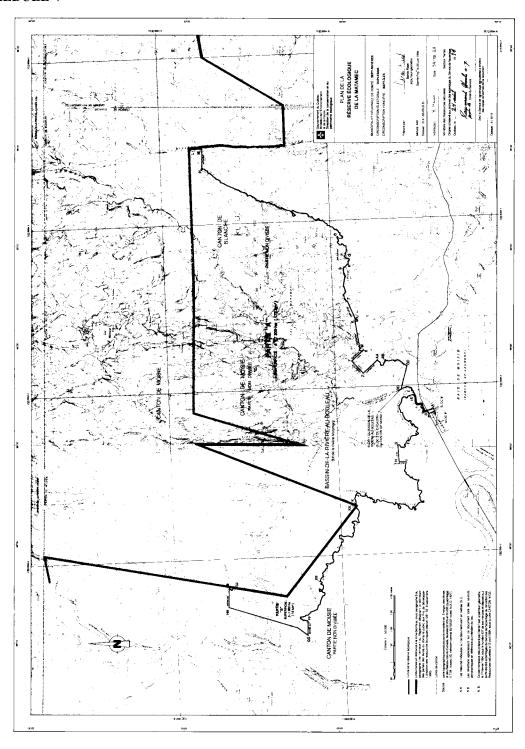
Note 4: In FAMU 68, only the trapping of muskrat, river otter, beaver and red fox is permitted; trapping in the wildlife sanctuary is prohibited.

Note 5: In FAMU 69, only the trapping of red fox in permitted

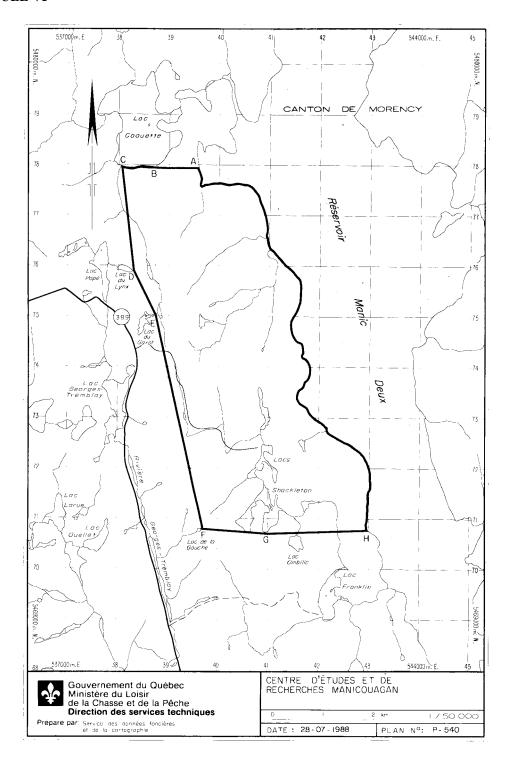
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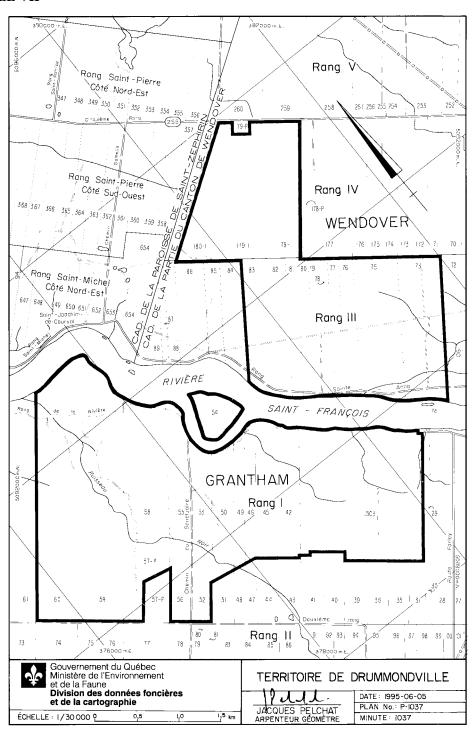
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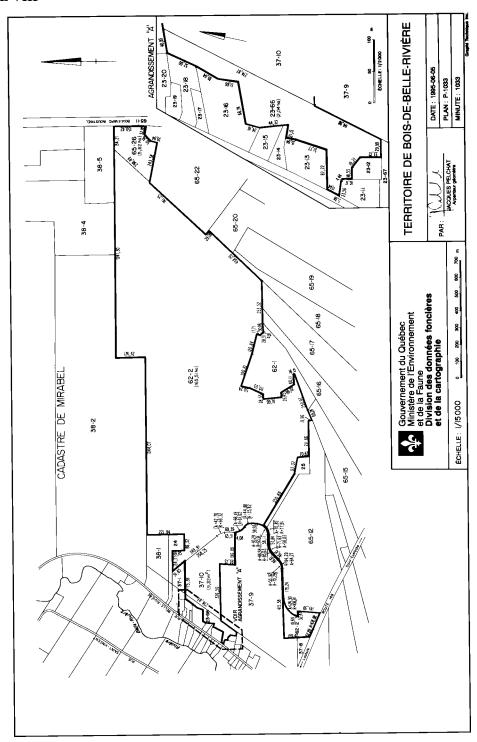
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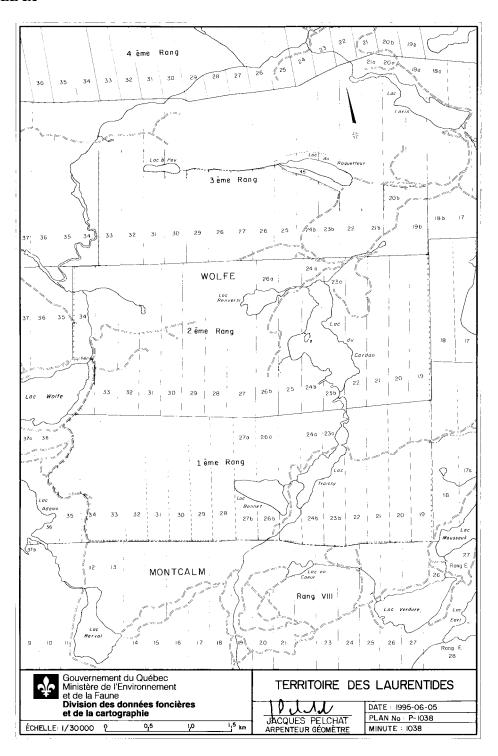
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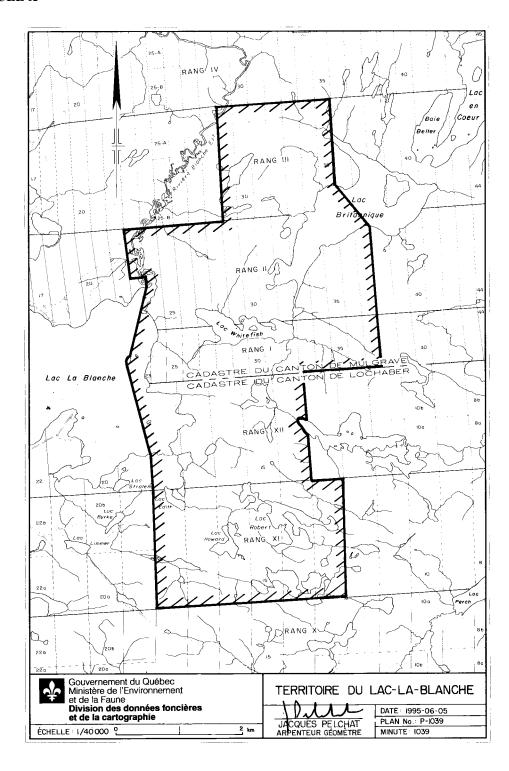
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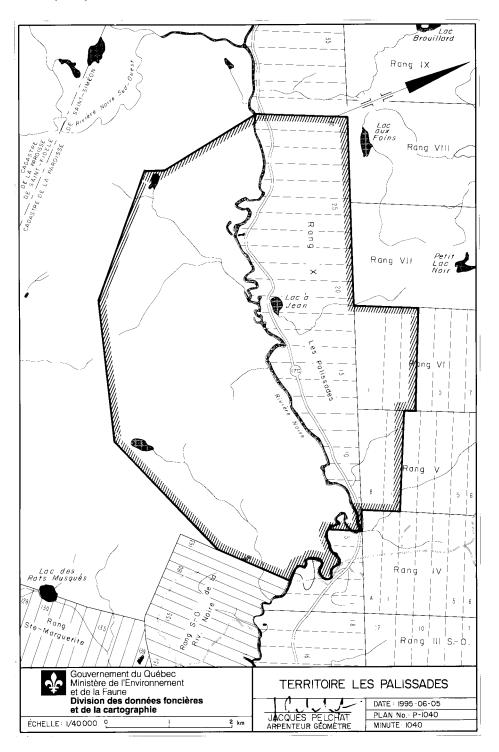
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SCHEDULE XII

