

## HISTORY OF TRANSPLANTING MOUNTAIN GOATS AND MOUNTAIN SHEEP — NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

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### MOUNTAIN GOATS

No mountain goats have been transplanted to, from, or within their range in the central Mackenzie Mountains of the Northwest Territories. There is no estimate of the number of mountain goats in the Northwest Territories.

### DALL'S SHEEP

No Dall's sheep have been transplanted to, from, or within their ranges in the Mackenzie and Richardson Mountains of the Northwest Territories.

Comprehensive surveys to estimate numbers of Dall's sheep in the Mackenzie Mountains have never been done; however, Poole and Graf (1985) estimated a minimum of 6500 sheep in the Mackenzie Mountains. The Richardson Mountains were last surveyed in August, 1991 when 1510 sheep were estimated to inhabit the area, which includes portions of both the Northwest Territories and Yukon Territory (Nagy and Carey, 1991).

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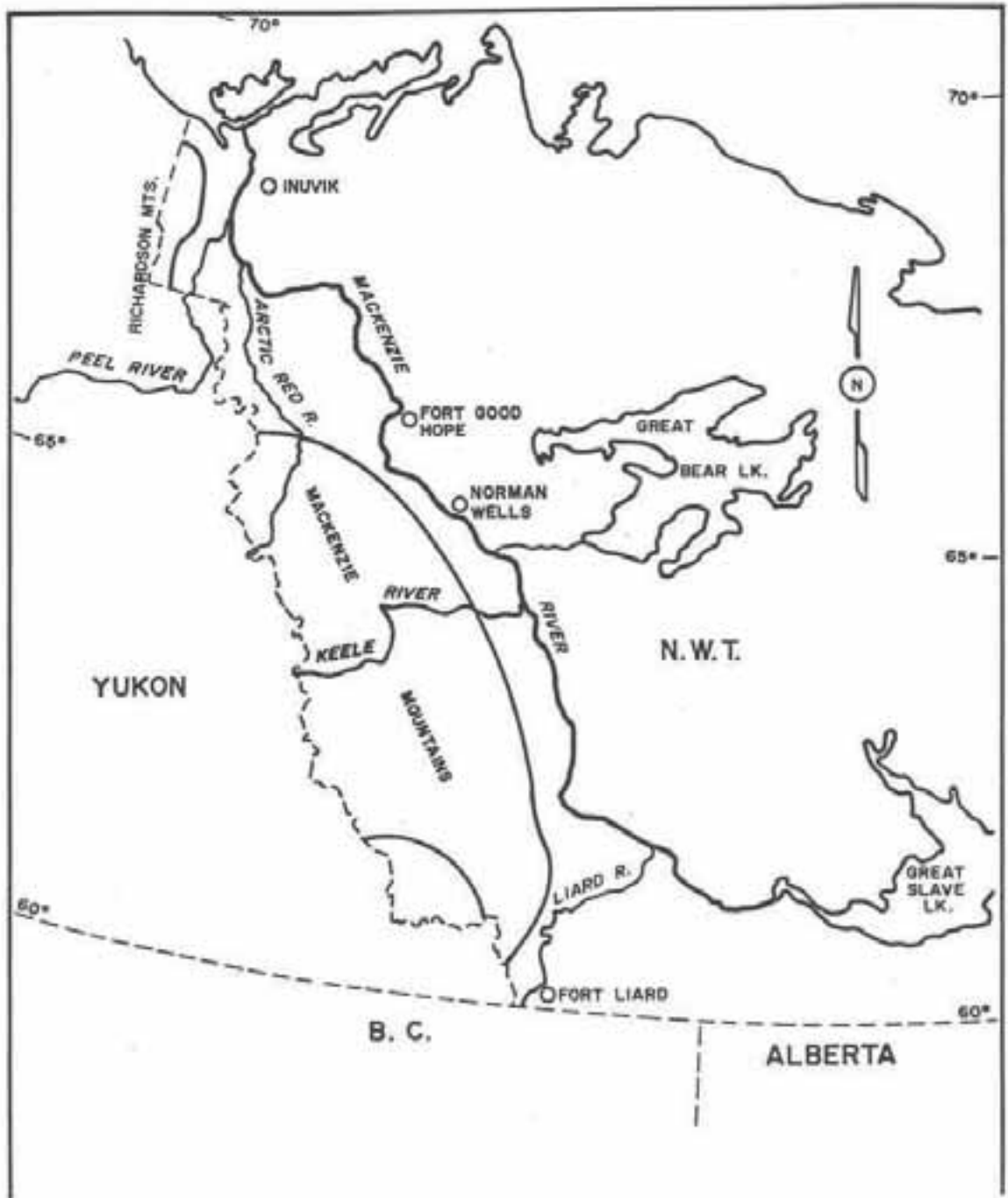


Figure 1. Distribution of Dall's Sheep in the Northwest Territories.