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TITLE: Community – Based Monitoring of Sea Ice and Eider Duck Populations Around the Belcher Islands, Nunavut

OBJECTIVES OF RESEARCH:
This project has been providing significant capacity building for community driven research in Sanikiluaq addressing major long outstanding gaps related to changing wildlife populations, oceanography and sea ice. The program has helped provide the first baseline data demonstrating the large scale impact of changing oceanography in the region providing a basis for future research and monitoring. Additionally, the project is contributing a development of a novel approach to meaningfully incorporating Inuit knowledge and observations through the SIKU platform and mobile app. The program contributes to development of long term research and monitoring for the region that will have a lasting positive impact as the community moves forward with further development of these programs and establishing long-term protection and conservation measures for the region. In 2026-2027 ongoing work will continue with an increased scope of work in Salikuit, Innalikuit (King Georg Islands) and Quumiutait (Sleeper Island) (herein Quumiutait-Salikuit Region) to establish additional baseline data for Inuit-led conservation in this area based on the evolving priorities of Sanikiliarmiut.

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DATA COLLECTION IN NU:
DATES: January 28,2026 to December 31,2026
LOCATION: Belcher Islands

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