



Calvin Ehaloak

Acting Manager, Public Registry
Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB)
P.O. Box 1360, Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0
By email: cehaloak@nirb.ca; info@nirb.ca;
kgillard@nirb.ca

Mosha Cote

Manager-Research Liaison
Nunavut Research Institute
959 A Nunavut Dr.
Iqaluit, NU X0A 3H0
By email: mosha.cote@arcticcollege.ca

Cory Barker

a/Director, Lands, Environment & Resources
Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KitIA)
Kugluktuk, Nunavut
By email: cbarker@lands.kitia.ca;
tbolt@lands.kitia.ca; dirlands@kitia.ca;
projectofficer@kitia.ca

Lucianne Marshall

Ocean Networks Canada
University of Victoria
Victoria, British Columbia V8W 2Y2
By email: lucimm@uvic.ca

Dear Calvin Ehaloak, Mosha Cote, Cory Barker, and Lucianne Marshall:

RE: NPC File # 150775 [Cambridge Bay Coastal Community Observatory]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Scientific Research: The Proponent is proposing to continue operation and maintenance of Cambridge Bay Coastal Community Observatory (since 2012). Activities will include annual maintenance and upgrades to underwater and shore-based observatory infrastructure in Cambridge Bay, seawater and sediment sampling in area of observatory, and a community engagement and school program.
2. Associated NPC File Nos: 148440; Related NIRB File Nos:12YN034
3. Location: Kitikmeot Region; [marine areas near Cambridge Bay]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan, and the works and activities listed above were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No.: 12YN034).

This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the continuation of the same marine-related research within the same location does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150775>

This decision applies only to the above-noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of the letters 'S' and 'A' connected by a horizontal line.

Solomon Amuno, PhD
Senior Planner
Nunavut Planning Commission