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**Re: Notice of Screening for North Country Gold Corp.'s "Gibson MacQuoid Gold Project" Proposal**

Dear Ms. Otokiak,

On May 8, 2018 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on North Country Gold Corp.'s "Gibson MacQuoid Gold Project" proposal. Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and offers the responses below as it pertains to the NIRB's request:

***Whether the project proposal is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures);***

In addition to the mitigation measures provided in the Proponent's Spill Prevention and Response Plan, *Section 5.2.2. Transfer Risk Mitigation*, INAC recommends including the following mitigation measure: re-fueling of any equipment should occur at a minimum of thirty-one (31) metres away from the high water mark of any water body.

INAC appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and looks forward to working with the NIRB and the Proponent throughout any further review phases related to this project. Should you have any questions, please contact Julia Prokopick at (867) 975-4567 or by e-mail at [julia.prokopick@canada.ca](mailto:julia.prokopick@canada.ca).



Sincerely,

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