



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 19XN012

Project Name: The “Transmit Array Antenna Farm” project
Proponent Name: Department of National Defence (DND)
Project Type: Infrastructure Region: Qikiqtani (North Baffin) Region
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125419
Comment Deadline: **February 25, 2019**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Transmit Array Antenna Farm” project is located within the Qikiqtani region, approximately 400 km northwest from Grise Fiord at Eureka. The Proponent intends to expand an existing antenna array in order to conduct measurements of the polar ionosphere. The program is proposed to take place from July 2019 to July 2022. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Expansion of an existing antenna array to a 16 x 16 antenna array (256 total) north of the Eureka runway (Phase 3)
- Installation of up to four (4) shipping containers holding electronics to power antennas
- Use of a pickup to transport personnel to and from Eureka Station
- Up to 3-4 people on site for two-week periods up 4 times per fiscal year for operations

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **19XN012** to access all project information, maps, and public comment forms.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

You are invited to provide the NIRB with your comments regarding whether the proposed project is:

- likely to arouse significant public concern and, if so, why;
- likely to cause significant adverse ecosystemic or socio-economic effects and, if so, why;
- likely to cause significant adverse impacts on wildlife habitat or Inuit harvest activities and, if so, why;
- a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and can be prevented/managed appropriately with known technology.

Parties are also invited to recommend any specific mitigation measures they feel would be appropriate, and to bring any other matter of importance related to this project proposal to the NIRB’s attention.

CONTACT INFORMATION

The NIRB has recently launched an updated online public registry, and parties can access project information as well as submit comments directly to the NIRB via www.nirb.ca. Comments can still be submitted directly to the NIRB via email at info@nirb.ca or via fax to (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding the proposed project or the NIRB’s screening process, please contact Keith Morrison, Technical Advisor II toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or kmorrison@nirb.ca.