

Mitigative measures taken to minimize the negative effects of IQP-ASR research activity on the environment

Potential Negative Impact	Mitigative Measure
Waste	We expect waste to be minimal, limited to small amounts of garbage from sampling equipment. Sampling equipment will be unpacked in the South to reduce waste brought to Nunavut. Any waste produced while sampling will be packed out and transported South for disposal.
Wildlife disturbance	All sampling activities will be accompanied by local residents and/or vessel operators trained in the local marine and terrestrial wildlife, in order to reduce any potential disturbances.
Environmental disturbance	All research staff are trained in sampling protocols in order to minimize any potential disturbance to the environment. Physical samples taken will be small, and we will not be taking more than is needed for laboratory analysis.
Local residents	Our research is being conducted in partnership with local organizations and relies on IQ in order to be of maximum benefit to local residents. Before any research activities are undertaken, we will consult with our Inuit partners, local hunters, and local residents to ensure our activities will not disrupt any traditional practices (e.g. hunting activities).