NOTICE OF SCREENING
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
NIRB File No.: 23UN047

Project Name: The **"**Establishment of Tallurutiup Imanga National Marine Conservation Area**"** project

Proponent Name: Parks Canada

Project Type: Establishment of Conservation Area Region: Qikiqtani (North Baffin) Region

Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125814

Comment Deadline: **August 24, 2023**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed "Establishment of a Marine Conservation Area" project is located within the Qikiqtani (North Baffin) region, and impacts Resolute, Arctic Bay, Pond Inlet, Grise Fiord, and Clyde River. The Proponent intends to establish a Marine Conservation Area as per the *Canada National Marine Conservation Areas Act* (2002) in July 2023 and remain in force permanently. Inuit rights and the exercise of such rights shall continue within Tallurutiup Imanga NMCA. The program is proposed to take place from July 2023 and remain in force permanently. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works, or activities:

- Develop a legal framework for the management of the area
- Management by Parks Canada conducted jointly with the Qikiqtani Inuit Association as well as other Regulatory Authorities including Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and Transport Canada through the Aulattiqatigiit Board

Please visit the NIRB's Public Registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: 23UN047 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 at **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding the proposed project or the NIRB's screening process, please contact Kelli Gillard, Manager, Project Monitoring toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or kgillard@nirb.ca.