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Dear Mr. Emigakk, Mr. Cote, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Pirie-Dominix, Mr. Ottenhofr, Ms. Kuiktana, Ms. Chisolm, Ms. Wynja:

RE: NPC File # 150122 [OPP 2.0 Baseline Shoreline Mapping]

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

1. Scientific Research: collection of baseline shoreline data for oil spill preparedness in the Arctic. Works and activities involve low-altitude helicopter overflights at the study sites to capture geotagged video and photos of the shoreline characteristics.
2. Proposed modified activities include:
 - Change project location from Gjoa Haven to Cambridge Bay and to work in that area in August. The new areas would include part of Coronation Gulf to the west, part of Queen Maud Gulf to the east, and the

northern part of Bathurst Inlet). The timing of this work will remain the same. Fuel cache and bulk fuel storage at the Cambridge Bay airport and other locations (potentially Walker Bay and maybe at Jenny Lind Island).

- There are no proposed modifications to the September study site - Lancaster Sound
- 3. Related NPC File No: 149937; Related NIRB File No: 23YN025.
- 4. Location: Kitikmeot and Qikiqtani Regions; [Lancaster sound area; Cambridge Bay including Coronation Gulf, Queen Maud Gulf and Bathurst Inlet)

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 previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal (conformity determination issued May 9, 2023). This conformity determination still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (*NIRB File No.: 23YN025*).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification because of the change of one of the project locations from Gjoa Haven to Cambridge Bay and its surrounding areas. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal requires screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was not part of the original or previously amended proposal and its inclusion is a significant modification of the project.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening.

Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=150122&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination 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. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 447-4563.

Sincerely,



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