



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 23YN074

Project Name: The “Mapping Pearya Terrane” project
Proponent Name: Geological Survey of Canada
Project Type: Research Region: Qikiqtani Region
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125873
Comment Deadline: **March 7, 2024**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Mapping Pearya Terrane” project is located within the Qikiqtani region, approximately 400 kilometres (km) from Grise Fiord. The Proponent intends to conduct field activities such as collecting rocks samples, peat samples, and study the origin, evolution and the opening of the Arctic Ocean and the distribution of oceans, lands and mountain ranges. The Proponent plans to setup camp at Yelverton Inlet. The program is proposed to take place from February 2024 to August 2024. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Use of a helicopter to transport personnel on a daily basis
- Disposal of greywater in pit dug by shovel and back filled with soil
- Use of 8320 liters (40 drums) of aviation fuel for helicopter
- Use of a temporary camp nine (9) personnel on site

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **23YN074** 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 Francis Emingak, Technical Advisor I toll-free at (867) 983-4616 or femingak@nirb.ca.