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Dear Francis,

QIA has reviewed the documents associated with Bronzite Exploration Corp's application and while the Proponent has stated in communications with QIA that no activities will be undertaken on Inuit Owned Land (IOL), QIA is concerned about activities taking place over IOL and nearby surrounding sensitive areas in Creswell Bay.

Environmental Concerns:

Section 2.7 of BEC's Environmental Protection Plan states that the project will use helicopter and fixed wing aircraft to conduct airborne surveys and notes that "Aircraft can cause disturbance to land users, and cause stress to wildlife or force them to migrate away from natural habitat." As a mitigation, the company declares that travel routes will be planned to avoid sensitive wildlife areas and minimize the likelihood of encountering wildlife. QIA's IOL parcels RB-01 and RB-02 were selected by Inuit due to their importance for wildlife populations and Inuit harvesting. Due to the importance of wildlife and harvesting to Inuit, QIA is requesting that the company avoid undertaking airborne surveys over the IOL until such time as the company applies to QIA to have the project reviewed by the Community Lands and Resource Committee in Resolute. See Image 1 below.

Potential Cumulative Effects:

QIA understands that if approved, this project will be occurring directly adjacent to another project undertaken by Aston Bay Holdings (the Storm Project). QIA is concerned about the potential cumulative impacts with both projects occurring over this area on Somerset Island. If NIRB deems this project acceptable as currently planned, special attention to cumulative impacts must be considered while developing Terms and Conditions. See image 2 below.



IOL Access:

As mentioned, currently the company does not have a permit to conduct activities on IOL and has declared no intent to access the surface of IOL. We would like to take this opportunity to remind BEC that without a valid land use authorization, mineral exploration activities are not permitted on IOL prior to receiving approval from QIA. In the future, we expect that if BEC wishes to conduct its activities on IOL, they will do so only in compliance with a valid land use authorization issued by QIA. If the Proponent wishes to access IOL in the future, they can contact our office directly.

Sincerely,

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Image 1: Bronzite Project Plans over IOL

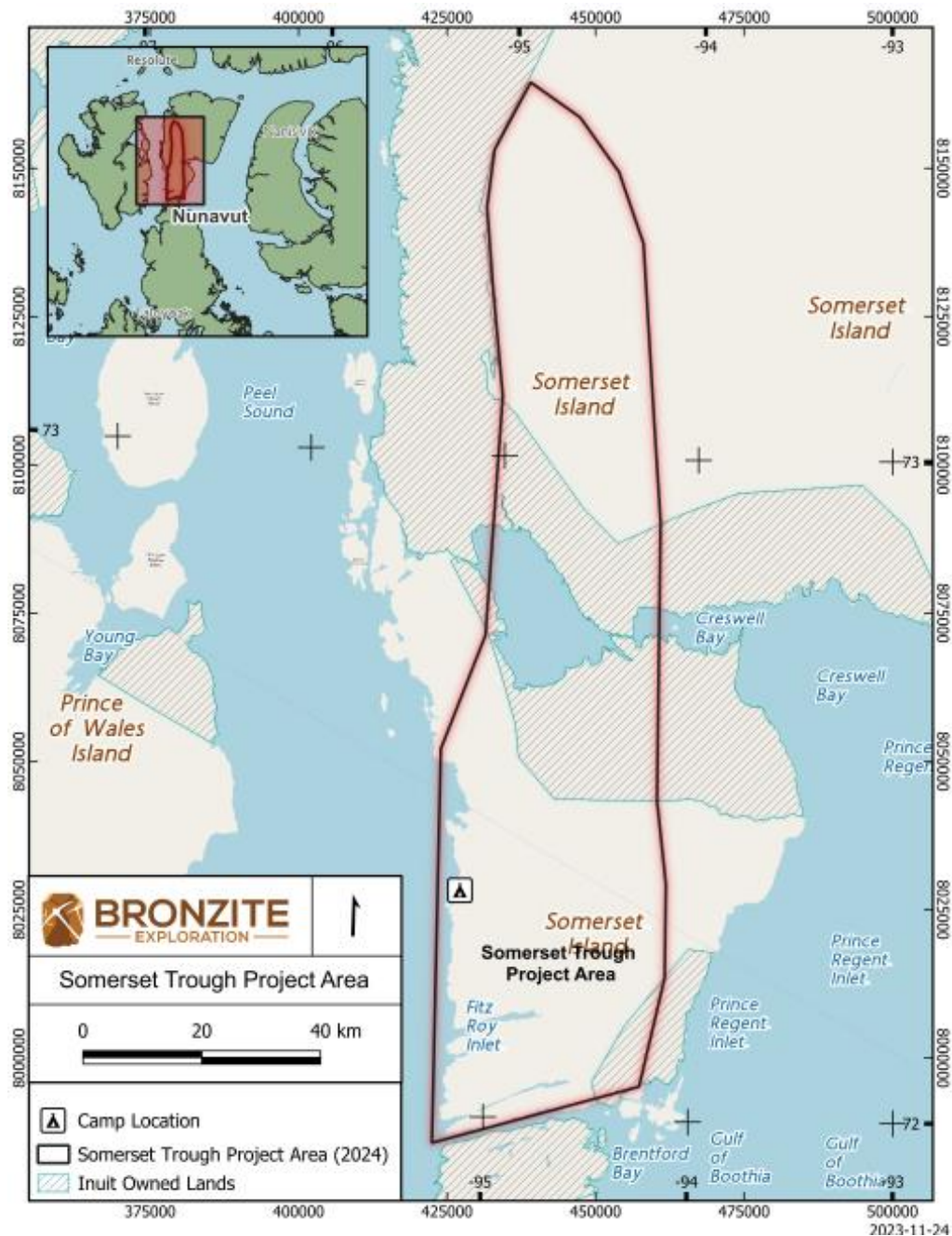




Image 2: Location of Storm Project

