



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 24AN029

Project Name: The “**Filming cetaceans in Admiralty Inlet**” project
Proponent Name: Silverback Films
Project Type: Access Region: Qikiqtani Region
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125976
Comment Deadline: **July 8, 2024**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Filming cetaceans in Admiralty Inlet” project is located within the Qikiqtani region, approximately 53 kilometres (km) from Arctic Bay. The Proponent intends to conduct filming activities on two whale species in Admiralty Inlet, narwhals and killer whales. They will have a small field camp on the west side of Admiralty Inlet and will be working each day from a boat. The program is proposed to take place from August to September 2024. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Use of two (2) boats and local boat guides to haul equipment and camping gear to filming sites;
- Use of a temporary camp with at least eight (8) personnel;
- Use of two generators to charge filming equipment, batteries, computers and other electronics;
- Combustible waste, all dry waste from food packaging and cooking will be collected and stored in black bin liners and taken back to Arctic Bay to be disposed of

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **24AN029** 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, Screening Officer toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or femingak@nirb.ca.