



COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. To assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project proposal, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project proposal application:

Project Proposal Title:	Resolute Bay Community Harbour Project		
Proponent:	Government of Nunavut – Community Services		
Location:	Qikiqtani Region		
Comments Due By:	May 27, 2025	NIRB #:	24XN058

Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:

<input type="checkbox"/> no concerns	<input type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land
<input type="checkbox"/> water quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities
<input type="checkbox"/> terrain	<input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation
<input type="checkbox"/> air quality	<input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area
<input type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area
<input type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> human health issues
<input type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area	_____

Please describe the concerns indicated above:

The Tallurutiup Imanga National Marine Conservation Area (TI NMCA) is an important designated area located in the Canadian Arctic, specifically in Lancaster Sound and its adjacent waterways. This conservation area was established to protect and preserve the unique and ecologically important marine environment for Inuit and all Canadians.

The Project includes construction of the following components:

- Breakwater
- Dredging of a harbour basin and entrance channel
- Boat launch ramp(s)

The community harbour encompasses a permanent footprint that is approximately 30,000 m². The seaward extent is approximately 170 m from shore (perpendicular) to a depth range of approximately 8.5 m Chart Datum (CD).

Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?

This comment is an acknowledgement of the review of the NIRB File No: 24XN058, Resolute Bay Community Harbour Project. Based on the information that was submitted, DFO recommends the proponent to complete and submit a request for review form (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/reviews-revues/request-review-demande-d-examen-004-eng.html>) as the application meets the



criteria for a site specific review, as described on DFO's website (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/reviews-revues/request-review-demande-d-examen-003-eng.html>).

In order to comply with the Fisheries Act, it is recommended that the Proponent follow DFO's protective measures for fish and fish habitat and standard codes of practice which can be found on DFO's website (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/measures-mesures-eng.html> and <https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/practice-pratique-eng.html>).

DFO asks that the proponent to please review and implement any relevant Measures to protect fish and fish habitat (dfo-mpo.gc.ca). By doing so, you ensure that any works, undertaking or activities where impacts to fish and fish habitat can be avoided.

It is also the proponent's Duty to Notify DFO if they have caused, or are about to cause, the death of fish by means other than fishing and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat. Such notifications should be directed to DFO.ARCENTriage-TriageGEARC.mpo@dfo-mpo.ca.

Do you support the project proposal? Yes ☒ No ☐ Any additional comments?

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program has no additional comments at this time.

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