



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 25TN010

Project Name: The “Roald Amundsen Arctic Cruise 2025” project
Proponent Name: F.K. Warren Ltd.
Project Type: Tourism Region: Kitikmeot and Qikiqtani Regions
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 126152
Comment Deadline: **April 21, 2025**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Roald Amundsen Arctic Cruise 2025” project is located within the Kitikmeot and Qikiqtani regions, approximately within the communities of Cambridge Bay, Gjoa Haven, Clyde River, Resolute, Grise Fiord, Pond Inlet, Qikiqtarjuaq, Pangnirtung. The Proponent intends to conduct vessel-based tourism activities that would provide passengers opportunities to engage sightseeing, zodiac cruising, wildlife watching, shore landings for guided interpretive walks, and organized community visits. The program is proposed to take place from August to September 2025. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Use of cruise vessel, the MS ROALD AMUNDSEN, for transportation and accommodation of up to 500 passengers/tourists, 150 crew members and approximately 20 expedition team members;
- Use of 10-12 zodiacs to transport passengers and expedition leaders for sightseeing;
- Tourism expedition visits include: Jenny Lind Island, Coningham Bay, Fort Ross, Prince Leopold Island, Beechey Island, Croker Bay, Dundas Harbour, and Isabella Bay to visit sites and conduct wildlife viewing
- Use of 600 liters in 30-liter containers for use on zodiacs sourced from the cruise ship

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **25TN010** 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.