



## NIRB Uuktuutinga Ihivriuqhikhamut #126176

### Western Hudson Bay beluga population abundance estimate

**Uuktuutinga Qanurittuq:** New

**Havaap Qanurittunia:** Scientific Research

**Uuktuutinga Ublua:** Tuesday, April 22, 2025

**Period of operation:** from 2025-07-18 to 2025-08-03

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Operations Phase: from 2025-07-18 to 2025-08-03

## Hulilukaarutit

Inigiyia	Hulilukaarut Qanurittuq	Nunannga Qanurittaakhaanik	Initurlinga qanuritpa	Initurlinga utuqqarnitat unaluuniit Ingilraaqnitat Uyarannnguqtut akhuurninnga	Qanitqiayuuq qanitqiamut nunallaat kitulluuniit ahiruqtailiyainnit nuna
Area surveyed to estimate the abundance of the WHB beluga population	Scientific/International Polar Year Research	Marine	N/A	N/A	Nunavut communities: Arviat, Whale Cove, Rankin Inlet, Chesterfield Inlet. Nunavut protected area: Kuugaarjuk Migratory Bird Sanctuary

### Nunaliin Ilauyun, Aviktuqhimayuniitunullu Ikayuuhiarunguyun

Nunauyuq	Atia	Timiuyuq	Upluani Uqaqatigiyaungmata
Arviat	Alex Ishalook	Arviat Hunters and Trappers Organization	2025-01-15

# Angiuttauvaktunik

**Naunaiqlugu nunanga talvani havauhikhaq ittuq:**

Angiuttauvaktunik

Munariniqmut Ayuittaqtuq	Angirutinga Qanurittuq	Tadja Qanurittaakhaanik	Ublua Tuniayuyuq/Uuktuqtuq	Umikvikhaa Ublua
Kaanatami Huradjat Munariniq	MBS permit application sent on 2025-01-31	Applied, Decision Pending		
Pulaarviit Kaanata	Wapusk National Park was contacted and since we won't be landing in the Park we don't need a permit	Active		
Hunters and Trappers Associations/Organizations	Letters of support have been received from 2 of the 4 Hunters and Trappers Organizations to date	Active		
Hunters and Trappers Associations/Organizations	We are waiting for letters of support from 2 of the 4 Hunters and Trappers Organizations. They were contacted on 2025-01-15.	Applied, Decision Pending		

## Project transportation types

Transportation Type	Qanuq Atuqtauniarmangaa	Length of Use
Air	Twin Otters will be used to fly systematic survey lines	

## Project accomodation types

Nunayuyuq

## Ihuaqtivaluin Atuqtauyukhan

Hanalrutit atuqtaunahuat (ukuallu ikuutat, pampiutainnik, tingmitinik, akhaluutinik, hunaluuniit)

Hanalrutit Qanurittuq	Qaffiuyut	Aktikkulaanga – Qanurittullu	Qanuq Atuqtauniarmangaa
Airplane: DeHavilland Twin Otter (DH-6)	2	65ft wingspan	We will use 2 twin otters to fly transect lines over survey strata across western and southern Hudson Bay.

### Qanurittuq Urhuqyuaq unalu Qayangnaqtut Hunavaluit Aturninnga

Qanurittuq urhuqyuaq hunavaluit aturninnga:	Urhuqyuaq Qanurittuq	Qaffiuyut qattaryut	Qattaryuk Aktikkulaanga	Atauttimut Qaffiuyut	Ilanga	Qanuq Atuqtauniarmangaa
Aviation fuel	fuel	15	205	3075	Liters	Fuel will be cached by PCSP at airstrips prior to the survey.

### Imaqmik Aturninnga

Ubluq qanuraaluk (m3)	Aturumayain imavaluin utiqtittagaani qanuq	Atulirumayain imavaluin utiqtittagani humi
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## Iqqakuq

### Ikkakunik Munakgiyauyunik

Havauhikhaq Hulilukaarut	Qanurittuq Iqqakut	Ihumagiayuq Qanuraaluktut Atuqtait	Qanuq Iqqakuurniarlungaa	Halummaqtirarnirutikhan piyutin
Aerial surveys	Anaagun (inuin anaagun)	2L	Left on the land	Staff and observers may need to go to the washroom while landing to refuel.

### Avatiliriniqmut Ayurhautingit:

There will be no environmental impacts on the land as we will use airports to refuel, and already demarcated landing strips where fuel is regularly cached as needed. There will be minimal noise disturbance to wildlife as we fly at an altitude of 1000-2000ft.

# **Additional Information**

**SECTION A1: Project Info**

**SECTION A2: Allweather Road**

**SECTION A3: Winter Road**

**SECTION B1: Project Info**

**SECTION B2: Exploration Activity**

**SECTION B3: Geosciences**

**SECTION B4: Drilling**

**SECTION B5: Stripping**

**SECTION B6: Underground Activity**

**SECTION B7: Waste Rock**

**SECTION B8: Stockpiles**

**SECTION B9: Mine Development**

**SECTION B10: Geology**

**SECTION B11: Mine**

**SECTION B12: Mill**

**SECTION C1: Pits**

**SECTION D1: Facility**

**SECTION D2: Facility Construction**

**SECTION D3: Facility Operation**

**SECTION D4: Vessel Use**

**SECTION E1: Offshore Survey**

**SECTION E2: Nearshore Survey**

**SECTION E3: Vessel Use**

**SECTION F1: Site Cleanup**

**SECTION G1: Well Authorization**

**SECTION G2: Onland Exploration**

**SECTION G3: Offshore Exploration**

**SECTION G4: Rig**

**SECTION H1: Vessel Use**

**SECTION H2: Disposal At Sea**

**SECTION I1: Municipal Development**

**Qanurittuq Ittunik Avatinga: Avatingalluanga**

**Qanurittuq Ittunik Avatinga: Inuuhimayunut Avatinga**

**Qanurittuq Ittunik Avatinga: Inungit-maniliurutingit Avatinga**

**Miscellaneous Project Information**

**Naunaiyainiq ukuninnga Ayurhautingit unalu Piumayaat Ikikliyuumiutinahuarutit**

**Tamatkiumayunik Ihuikgutivaktunik**

# Impacts

## Iilitariyauniq Avatiliriniqmut Ayurhautingit

PHYSICAL		Designated environmental areas		Ground stability		Hydrology / Limnology		Water quality		Climate conditions		Eskers and other unique or fragile landscapes		Surface and bedrock geology		Sediment and soil quality		Tidal processes and bathymetry		Air quality		Noise levels		BIOL OGIC AL		Vegetation		Wildlife, including habitat and migration patterns		Birds, including habitat and migration patterns		Aquatic species, incl. habitat and migration/spawning		Wildlife protected areas		SOCIO-ECONOMIC		Archaeological and cultural historic sites		Employment		Community wellness		Community infrastructure		Human health	
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<b>Aulapkaininnga</b>																																															
Scientific/International Polar Year Research		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	-	-	-	-	-								
<b>Piqauniq</b>																																															

(P = Nakuuyuq, N = Nakuungittut unalu mikhilimaittuq, M = Nakuungittut unalu mikhitaaqtuq, U = Naluyauyuq)

## Havaariyauukhamut Nayugaa



### List of Project Geometries

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| 1 polygon | Area surveyed to estimate the abundance of the WHB beluga population |
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