



CIRNAC Comments to NIRB

Notice of Screening for University of Saskatchewan's "Assessment of Population Dynamics of Waterfowl in the Central Arctic" Project Proposal



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Francis Emingak
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P.O. Box 1360
Cambridge Bay, NU, X0B 0C0
via NIRB public registry

Re: Notice of Screening and Comment Request for University of Saskatchewan's "Assessment of Population Dynamics of Waterfowl in the Central Arctic" Project Proposal

Dear Francis Emingak,

On May 21, 2025, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on University of Saskatchewan's "Assessment of Population Dynamics of Waterfowl in the Central Arctic" Project Proposal. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and offers the responses below as it pertains to the NIRB's request:

Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal

CIRNAC #1 Consultation with interested parties

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent continue consulting with the Ekaluktutiak Hunters and Trappers Organization, the Municipality of Cambridge Bay, and any other relevant organizations or individuals regarding the project proposal. As part of these consultation activities, several issues should be considered, including, but not limited to:

- Incorporation of Inuit Qauijimajatuqangit into project activities;
- Mitigation measures to prevent any disturbance to wildlife and the environment;
- Mitigation measures to prevent disturbance to sites of cultural, archaeological, and/or environmental significance;
- Training and employment opportunities for Inuit and community members;
- Procurement opportunities for local and Inuit-owned businesses; and
- Regular updates on the status of project activities.



CIRNAC appreciates the opportunity to provide comments. Should you have any questions, please contact Muhammad Arslan by e-mail at muhammad.arslan@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca or David Abernethy by email at david.abernethy@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard Bingley".

Richard Bingley
Manager, Impact Assessment

