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Mr. Matthew Bowler  
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Department of Economic Development & Transportation  
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Dear Mr. Matthew Bowler:

**RE: Baker Lake Marine Needs**

On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Baker Lake, please accept this letter as our support for the work of Advisian regarding marine needs in Baker Lake.

Our community has seen steady growth since Agnico Eagle opened its first gold mine outside of Baker Lake some 10 plus years ago; we anticipate this growth to continue. This growth has seen a significant increase in marine traffic over this period and as indicated we expect this to continue.

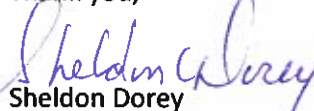
Our current "community sealift docking and staging area", where all the communities annual sealift supplies are offloaded and marshalled is in the center of our community. During the offloading times this area becomes very congested and causes safety concerns for our residents.

Another concern, our community has, relates to the proximity of this docking / staging area to our intake for the potable drinking water supply; the docking area is approximately 1,500 feet away from the water intake.

The Municipality of Baker Lake is in need of new marine infrastructure that can accommodate our community's reliance on the annual sealift to replenish supplies for our growing community as well as reduce the concerns related to our potable water supply by relocating the sealift area to a proposed area some 2 km down the shore.

Our Mayor and Council fully supports Advisian's work and we look forward to continuing the efforts that will improve the marine infrastructure situation in our growing community. If you require any further information, please feel free to contact me at (867) 793 – 2874.

Thank you,

  
Sheldon Dorey  
Senior Administrative Officer  
Municipality of Baker Lake