



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 25TN072

Project Name: The “Adventure Canada 2026 Expeditions – Ocean Nova” project
Proponent Name: Adventure Canada (AC)
Project Type: Tourism Region: South Baffin
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 126232
Comment Deadline: **November 11, 2025**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Adventure Canada 2026 Expeditions – Ocean Nova” project is located within the Qikiqtani (South Baffin) region. The Proponent intends to conduct vessel-based tourism activities that would provide passengers with 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 13 days between July 10th and October 1st, 2026. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Sail to Nunavut on the cruise ship Ocean Nova with a maximum of 74 passengers and 13 crew members;
- Use of up to eight (8) zodiacs to facilitate shore landings, wildlife observations, guided hikes and excursions at:
- Use of ten (10) sea kayaks for tourist excursions
- Management and treatment of sewage, greywater, and non-combustible and combustible wastes on board the cruise vessel according to Canadian legislation

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **25TN072** 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 Mia Beattie, Impact Assessment Officer at (867)983-4622 or mbeattie@nirb.ca.