

**NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION
APPLICATION TO DETERMINE CONFORMITY
WITH THE NORTH BAFFIN REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN**

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*All applicants for a project proposal shall comply with the requirements listed below.
The relevant sections of the plan are noted in each requirement.*

GENERAL

2. **Environmental Protection:** s3.13.8: The applicant undertakes to prevent any new occurrences of pollution, garbage and contamination at the site of the development.

Yes

No

3. **Removal of Fuel Drums:** s3.13.8: The applicant undertakes to remove all drums safely from the site and dispose of the drums in a safe manner.

Yes

No

4. **New Site Restoration and Clean Up:** s3.13.1 and Appendix H, s1: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its natural condition to the greatest extent possible.

Yes

No

5. **Old Site Restoration and Clean Up:** s3.13.2: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its original condition to the greatest extent possible, including any work required due to the applicant's action prior to this application.

Yes

No

6. **Low-Level Air Flights:** Appendix H, s3: Will the applicant avoid all low-level flights?

Yes

No

- i. If not, explain why such flights are or may be absolutely necessary.

One of the main objectives of the research is to measure the sea ice thickness of the vast region of the Arctic and to do this accurately, low level flight at about 200 ft offshore will be necessary, but only over sea ice area and not in the real coastal area. Flight over land areas will be 1000' above ground or higher.

- ii. If such flights are or may be absolutely necessary, will they avoid disturbance to people and wildlife?

Yes

No

Low level flights will be performed offshore over sea ice only and will avoid areas of protected wildlife and people.

- iii. If not, explain why it is not possible to avoid such disturbance.

HERITAGE RESOURCES

10. Reporting of Archaeological Sites: s3.11.3 and Appendix H, s2 and s8:

Will the applicant immediately report the discovery of all suspected archaeological sites to the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth (GN)?

Yes

No

11. Carving Stone Deposits: Appendix H, s9. Will the applicant report any discoveries of carving stone deposits to the Qikiqtani Inuit Association?

Yes

No

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

17. Scientific Research: s3.9.3: Does the project proposal involve scientific research?

Yes

No

If yes, will the applicant integrate all available and relevant local and traditional knowledge when conducting its research?

Yes

No

18. Consultation with Nunavut Research Institute: s3.9.5: Has the applicant consulted with the Nunavut Research Institute about research topics that would benefit or interest local residents?

Yes

No

i. Describe the results of your consultation.

The Nunavut Research Institute (NRI) thinks the research on sea ice thickness and the Arctic Meteorology is of benefit and will be of interest to the local residents as these are real issues that affect the local people. The NRI is providing advice to us and we have an ongoing dialogue as to how to best disseminate the results of our findings to the local people.

ii. If no, explain why.

19. Local Services and Local Employment: s3.9.4: Will the applicant rely on local services and employment where possible?

Yes

No

i. Describe the services retained and the people to be employed.

ii. If no, explain why it is not possible.

The Polar-5 aircraft will be based out of airports for short periods (~1 week or less)
in Resolute, Eureka, and Alert, so there is there is little opportunity to use local
services and employment

20. Communication on Scientific Research: s3.2.8: The applicant will, at minimum, translate a summary of its work into Inuktitut and communicate with communities using language that is clear and non-technical. The results of all scientific research shall be made available to the affected communities as soon as possible.

Yes

No

22. Code of Good Conduct for Land Users: Appendix H: The applicant undertakes to adhere to the code of Good Conduct at all times.

Yes

No

I, Walter Strapp (name of applicant), certify that the information I have given in this application is true and correct and hereby make the above undertakings which form part of my application for a project proposal within the meaning of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement.

Date: February 12, 2011

Signature of Applicant: 

North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan
Appendix H
Code of Good Conduct for Land Users

1. The landscape of each camp and other land use sites will be restored to its original condition to the greatest degree possible. Water quality will be preserved and no substances that will impair water quality will be dumped in water bodies. When possible and feasible, old sites will be restored to the natural state.
2. All land users shall assist communities and government(s) in identifying and protecting archaeological sites and carving-stone sites, as required by law.
3. Generally, low-level flights by aircraft at less than 300 metres should not occur where they will disturb wildlife or people. If such flights are necessary, they should only take place after consultation with the appropriate communities. All land users are responsible for reporting to the land managers any illegal or questionable low-level flight.
4. All activities on the land will be conducted in such a fashion that the renewable resources of the area in question are conserved.
5. Whenever practicable, and consistent with sound procurement management, land users will follow the practice of local purchase of supplies and services.
6. Land users will establish working relationships with local communities and respect the traditional users of the land.
7. During the caribou calving, post-calving and migrating seasons, land use activities should be restricted to avoid disturbing caribou, in general, and activities will be governed more specifically by caribou protection measures such as those contained in Appendix I.
8. Artifacts must be left where they are found. All land users are responsible for reporting the location of, or any removal or disturbance of artifacts, to CLEY.
9. The mining industry is encouraged to assist in identifying local carving-stone deposits and report any discoveries to the QIA. Industry is also encouraged to identify and report old waste sites that need to be cleaned up.
10. All land users shall obey the laws of general application applying to land use.

