



NIRB File No.: 14EN033

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Sent via email: inukshukexploration@shaw.ca

Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for WPC Resources Inc.'s "Hood River" project proposal

Dear Bruce Goad:

On July 17, 2014 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received WPC Resources Incorporated's (WPC) "Hood River" project proposal from the Kitikmeot Inuit Association. NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **14EN033** - please reference this file number in related future correspondence.

Following a preliminary completeness check, the NIRB determined that the proposal as submitted did not contain sufficient information for the NIRB to permit proper screening. On July 30, 2014 the NIRB requested that the WPC provide additional information in support of this proposal, which was received by the NIRB on July 31, 2014.

The proposed project is located in the Kitikmeot region, approximately 125 kilometres (km) northwest of Bathurst Inlet, and 210 km southeast of Kugluktuk. The Proponent intends to conduct a 5-year base metals and diamonds exploration program in the Hood River area which is proposed to take place seasonally from 2014 to 2019.

The proposed project activities and components include:

- Seasonal accommodation of up to 25 personnel in the previously existing Ulu mine camp and use of site infrastructure¹;
- Conduct an exploration program:
 - 2014: initial prospecting, mapping, and sampling with up to 4 personnel,
 - 2015-2019: drilling program and ground geophysical surveys with up to 20 personnel,

¹ The NIRB notes that the existing Ulu mine camp and infrastructure had been allowed to proceed subject to authorizations in place prior to the establishment of the NLCA and the NIRB processes. These components are not subject to the current assessment.

- Transportation of personnel and equipment to and from the Ulu mine camp by fixed wing aircraft, and daily transportation of personnel to sample and/or drill sites by helicopter or snow machine;
- Movement of drills and supplies by helicopter;
- Use of fuel at the Ulu camp²;
- Transportation, caching, and use of approximately 355 drums of fuel (total of 72,775 Litres fuel), and twenty 100-pound cylinders of propane; and
- Water use and waste deposition at Ulu camp under licencing for that facility, and for drilling activities managed under separate water licence.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from the NIRB's online public registry at:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/14EN033-Inukshuk%20Exploration-Hood%20River/> including:

- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun;*
- *Maps;*
- *Non-technical Project Proposal summary in English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun;*
- *Kitikmeot Inuit Association Application in English;*
- *Nunavut Water Board Application in English;*
- *Emergency Response Plan;*
- *Environmental Plan;*
- *Fuel Management Plan and Fuel Spill Contingency Plan;*
- *Waste Management Plan;*
- *Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring Plan;*
- *Email from the Nunavut Planning Commission re no conformity required.*

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the NIRB shall proceed to screen this project proposal. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process. The NIRB will copy you on screening process related correspondence and upload related documents to the above ftp site for public access.

Be advised that the NIRB is copying parties and municipalities potentially affected by this project proposal. Interested parties are encouraged to comment directly to the NIRB by **August 26, 2014**.

The NIRB would like parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;

² The NIRB notes that some fuel storage infrastructure to be utilized at the Ulu camp is not subject to the current assessment as its prior approval pre-dates the NIRB assessment process and the NLCA.

- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca or via fax at **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or require clarification, feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4611 or tarko@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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cc: Distribution List
 Geoff Clark, Kitikmeot Inuit Association
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Enclosures (3): Comment Forms (English, Inuktitut, and Inuinnaqtun)