



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 16DN004

Project Name: The “**Operation Nunaliut**” project
Proponent Name: Joint Task Force North (JTFN)
Project Type: Defense Region: North Baffin Region
Public Registry: <http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/>
Comment Deadline: **March 17, 2016**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Operation Nunaliut” project is located within the North Baffin region, based out of Resolute Bay. The Proponent intends to conduct Military Exercises. The program is proposed to take place from April 3 to April 22, 2016. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Establish a Task Force Headquarters in Resolute Bay for approximately 80 persons
- Conduct overland and over ice travel by snowmobile and qamutiik, Snow Cat, and/or Argo for transport of personnel and various exercises
- Establishment of a temporary camp on Little Cornwallis Island for approximately 110 persons
- Dive Operations to evaluate the Royal Canadian Navy’s Fleet Diving Unit’s (Atlantic) cold weather diving ensembles and ice diving tactics, techniques and procedures

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: 16DN004 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 Kelli Gillard, Technical Advisor II toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or kgillard@nirb.ca.