

Info at NIRB

From: C.J. Mundy <Cj.Mundy@umanitoba.ca>
Sent: March-02-17 8:02 AM
To: Davin St. Pierre
Subject: Re: NIRB 10YN014 - Questions

Hi Davin,

Thanks for this straight forward email. I believe we have been too ambitious to get this working in time and your email helped highlight this. Thus, we will not seek to do the Bathurst Inlet expansion of our sea ice work this year. I believe they still hope to deploy the M-MAG labs (at least the ones close to Cambridge Bay), and therefore, you should likely expect the separate NPC application to be forwarded your way before long. We will likely push forward the Bathurst Inlet sea ice work next year and if we are successful with funding I expect to submit a similar amendment request closer to fall. Therefore, please terminate the assessment of our proposed amendment.

Sincerely, CJ Mundy

On Mar 1, 2017, at 5:00 PM, Davin St. Pierre <dstpierre@nirb.ca> wrote:

Hi CJ,

If you are proposing to keep the three research labs (containers) mounted on trailers for the duration of the project, with delivery back to Cambridge Bay along with the rest of the Cat-train, I would suggest that you proceed with a modified scope procedure. Because this would be outside of the scope both we and the NPC have been presented, this would involve you requesting that we terminate the current assessment of your file and contacting the NPC with the revised scope of your project so that they can issue a modified screening referral. I understand the rationale behind linking the proposals, however, there still remains inconsistencies behind who would be deploying the research labs, how they would be deployed, when they would be deployed, and how they would be managed/recovered. This information is obviously necessary for your project if you are to make use of the labs, so without concrete details and separation between the two proposals it is difficult to discern what is actually being presented as part of each project.

Therefore, based on the information you've provided, to proceed you will need to formally request (to me through email is fine) that we terminate the assessment of your current proposal so that you can submit a modified project proposal to the NPC to include the additional components we've discussed. As you do this, please note that in your modified NPC submission you should clearly and consistently illustrate the following:

- What trailers would be used as part of the Cat-train for *your* proposal;
- Details on all trailers that would be used (functions, power generation, capacity, etc.);
- If any lab trailers are to be deployed (temporarily in this case), where they would be deployed, for how long, and where would they be returned to;
- If you do want to have an alternatives clause that includes the potential use of the research labs should they be approved and deployed as part of NPC 148434 *instead* of transporting and returning them as part of your project, please clearly illustrate that they would be transported and deployed *separate* from your project and that you would only be using them in-transit; and

- Ensure that maps detail what is being proposed as well as any contingencies you would also like scoped in.

Please respond as soon as possible so that we may proceed with the necessary steps. If you have any questions just let me know.

Thanks,

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Hi Davin,

Just heard from Matt. He has been busy teaching and not able to finish the submission, even though he has the submission ready in terms of material. Below are the lab-related previously-screened NPC numbers that he gave me. A bit of confusion on the labs. The labs are sea containers that will be mounted on a trailer as part of the cat-train. For our purposes, they will be used while still mounted on the trailer bed of the cat-train. We had tied it with the other NPC numbered project for the purposes of linking the files in some form. Would it be more appropriate just to remove citation of the other NPC file number and the locations of lab deployments?

Also note that Matt confirmed he will submit the NPC file tonight or tomorrow at the latest.

Previous File #: 148312 Titled: Temperature tolerance of migratory Arctic Char
Previous File #: 148210 Titled: Polar Knowledge Canada (POLAR) camp on Greiner Lake, Cambridge

Many thanks....CJ

On Mar 1, 2017, at 12:27 PM, Davin St. Pierre <dstpierre@nirb.ca> wrote:

Hi CJ,

Thanks for your reply. I think part of the confusion here is that within your application (Details Part 2 Camp and Equipment sections) you note that the Cat-train for your project would include 1 Snowcat and 5 trailers, and that the three N-MAG-N trailers would be "distributed at different locations along the track, which are part of a separate CAT-TRAIN land use NPC Application (#148438)." This leads me to believe that your

Cat-train would be deploying the research trailers that would require approval as part of a separate (unknown) project.

However, based on your reply you note that you do not plan to directly deploy the labs themselves, but to only use them during transit, which leads me to believe that the research labs would already be in place for your use during your project, and would therefore not be part of your Cat-train or application. You also noted that should the approvals required for the lab deployments as part of 148438 not be in place, you would cart and temporarily deploy the labs for use during your project and they would be returned to Cambridge Bay as part of the rest of the Cat-train. Firstly, these details will need to be clarified before we proceed. Secondly, if you are proposing this contingency, you will need to revise the scope of your project so that we can discuss this detail with the NPC to determine whether their referral included this type of modification and what additional information would be required.

I hope that my explanation is clear enough, please let me know if you need me to clarify any additional details.

Thanks,
Davin

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Hi Davin,

Thanks for your questions. Sorry, I am busy working on a proposal that is due on Monday, so I am trying to multitask on everything...

The other NPC application is separate as ours is focussed on marine sampling along and close to the cat-train path during the sea ice period, whereas the other is on the long-term deployment of these labs on land. The science/community-based work to be accomplished in the long-term deployment of the labs is much different than that in ours, which is purely focussed on the oceanography and the influence of tides. For example, they plan to use the trailers as fish physiology labs, in some places, as safe havens for locals and areas that artists can work, etc. It is much more broad and long-term of a focus than our specific goals. Actually, if their licence is not approved, then we would track the labs back to Cambridge Bay. That is, I hope our application is not dependent on theirs as we do not plan

to directly deploy the labs themselves. We only plan to use them during transit. As for the kitchen and accommodations trailers, these will remain part of the cat-train and brought back to Cambridge Bay along with all waste, etc. as stated in the application. The trailers themselves will be part of the cat-train rented through Kitnuna. I am currently tracking more information down on them.

I am still waiting on a reply from Matt r.e. a previously screened NPC#.

CJ

On Feb 28, 2017, at 5:58 PM, Davin St. Pierre
<dstpierre@nirb.ca> wrote:

Hi CJ,

Just wondering if you could provide some additional information regarding the three (3) mobile lab trailers, the kitchen trailer, and the accommodations trailer that would be used as part of the proposed project. Based on what I can gather from the proposal, the labs would be deployed at the locations identified on the map, presumably on land, while research activities are being conducted. The kitchen and accommodations trailers would remain on the train for the duration of the project and would be returned to Cambridge Bay following the completion of field work. Would the lab trailers remain at their respective sites for future research projects associated with this file, or others, or would they be recovered as part of this project and delivered back to Cambridge Bay with the kitchen and accommodations trailers?

I'm just trying to differentiate between the two NPC files that are being referenced as part of this proposal (148434 and 148452) to see why the deployment of the mobile labs was submitted under a separate application. Do you know if the 148434 application is tied to a previously-screened NIRB file number? As it is currently an incomplete application on the NPC's system, I cannot see any information associated with their prospective submission.

Thanks in advance for the information – if you need me to clarify any of my questions just let me know.

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