



April 17, 2018

Amy Robinson

A/Manager, Land Use and Env. Assessment
Department of Environment (GN-DOE)
P.O. Box 1000, Stn 1360, Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0
By email: arobinson@gov.nu.ca ;
dgissing@gov.nu.ca
Wildlife_research@gov.nu.ca

Stephen Williamson Bathory

Director, Dept of Major Projects
Qikiqtani Inuit Association
P.O. Box 1340, Iqaluit NU X0A 0H0
By email: swbathory@gia.ca
sshoo@gia.ca, jfortier@gia.ca

Alexander Stubbing

Director of Culture and Heritage
Department of Culture and Heritage (GN-CH)
P.O. Box 1000, Stn. 800, Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0
By email: astubbing@gov.nu.ca;
sleblanc1@gov.nu.ca

Jody Kusugak

Commercial Development Officer Trainee
Department of Economic
Development & Transportation (EDT)
P.O. Box 1000, Stn. 1500, Iqaluit NU X0A 0H0
By email: jkusugak@gov.nu.ca

Jane Chisholm

Ecologist Team Leader
Parks Canada (PC)
P.O. Box 278, Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0
By email: jane.chisholm@pc.gc.ca;
Nunavut.ImpactAssessment@pc.gc.ca

Lisa Pirie-Dominix

A/Head
Canadian Wildlife Services (CWS)
P.O. Box 1714, Iqaluit NU, X0A0H0
By email: lisa.pirie-dominix@canada.ca;
cwspermittingnunavut@ec.gc.ca

Natasha Lear

Manager, Technical Administration
Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB)
P.O. Box 1360
Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0
By email: info@nirb.ca

Alicia Johnson

Lindblad Expeditions
1415 Western Ave, Suite 700
Seattle Washington 98101 United States
By email: aliciaj@expeditions.com

Dear Ms. Robinson, Mr. Williamson Bathory, Mr. Stubbing, Ms. Kusugak, Ms. Chisolm, Ms. Pirie-Dominix, Ms. Lear and Ms. Johnson:

RE: NPC File # 148808 [Lindblad Expeditions' National Geographic Cruise Ship 2018 Itinerary]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Marine based Tourism activities: Lindblad Expeditions is operating two itineraries in Canada this year between August 8-September 8, 2018. The activities undertaken during these visits may include walking/hiking, photography, kayaking, Zodiac cruising, scuba diving and operating a remote operated

vehicle.

2. Related NPC File # 148219 and 148473; NIRB File # 13AN020.
3. Location: Qiqiktani Region [various locations in North Baffin]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, and a conformity determination was issued on May 27, 2013, February 24, 2016 and most recently on February 22, 2017 (NPC file # 148219 and 148473) which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 13AN020). This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that it does not change the general scope of the original project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address: <http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148808&sessionid=>

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



Goump Djalogue, MCIP, RPP Senior Planner
Nunavut Planning Commission