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**Re: Notice of Inclusion of the Scope for Hamlet of Naujaat's "Community Access Trail" project proposal**

Dear Mayor of Naujaat:

On January 14, 2019 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received a referral to screen the Hamlet of Naujaat's "Community Access Trail" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission), with an accompanying positive conformity determination with the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **19PN003** - please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

All documents and materials received by the NIRB in support of this project proposal can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at [www.nirb.ca/project/125448](http://www.nirb.ca/project/125448).

The documents and materials received include:

- *NPC Screening Referral and Conformity Determination*
- *NPC Application and Conformity Questionnaire*
- *NIRB's Online Application Form*
- *Non-technical Project Proposal summary in English, French, and Inuktitut*
- *Maps noting proposed community access trail route, bridge, culverts, borrow/quarry sites*
- *Supplemental information*

On January 14, 2019 the NIRB requested that the Proponent complete the online application form through the NIRB's public registry system and ensure, pursuant to s. 144(1) of the NuPPAA, that the information provided is sufficient to determine the scope of the project activities being proposed and facilitate the public screening process. Following a preliminary completeness check of the proposal as submitted, the NIRB determined that the proposal did *not* contain the necessary information for the NIRB to carry out its screening. On February 8, 2019 and March 05, 2019 the NIRB requested that the Hamlet of Naujaat provide additional information in support of this

proposal. On March 11, 2019 the NIRB received an amended application which is currently undergoing a preliminary completeness check.

**Project Scope:**

The proposed “Naujaat Community Access Trail” project is located within the municipal boundaries of Naujaat, in the Kivalliq region, up to 15 kilometres (km) northeast from the community. The Hamlet of Naujaat (the Proponent) intends to develop a 15 km all-weather access road following an existing all-terrain vehicle (ATV) trail, including the construction of a bridge, multiple culverts, and borrow sources along the route. The construction is proposed to take place from August 2019 to October 2019.

Pursuant to s. 86(1) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*), the NIRB has identified the following works or activities as comprising the scope for this proposed project:

- Construction of a 15 km all weather access road;
- Construction of a clear span bridge;
- Installation of ditches, diversion channels, riprap and approximately six (6) culverts along road;
- Use of erosion and sediment control methods (e.g., application of mulches, erosion control products in ditches, topsoil re-application and seeding, rock and or sandbag check dams, polyethylene sheeting and other soil covers, sediment fencing, berms or earth dykes, sediment retention ponds, pumps and sediment filter bags, flocculents or chemical additives)
- Use of heavy equipment (dump trucks, bulldozer, excavators, grader, crusher, compactor and water truck) to conduct general earth works and the development of the road; and
- Use of local facilities in Naujaat for accommodations, water source and waste management.

In addition to the scope as described above, pursuant to *NuPPAA* paragraph 86(1)(a), the NIRB has identified the following additional works or activities as being sufficiently related to the project to form part of it:

- Borrow sites and other gravel quarries along the road alignment; and
- Potential for blasting of bedrock exposures to make riprap and rock fills.

Prior to making a determination with respect to the scope of the project proposal, the NIRB invites Hamlet of Naujaat to comment on the above identified inclusions to the scope of the project. **Please provide your comments directly to the NIRB no later than April 1, 2019.** The NIRB will take into account any comments the proponent may provide in respect of the potential inclusions identified above.

In accordance with s. 86(3) of the *NuPPAA*, if the NIRB makes an inclusion of any additional works or activities to the scope of a project proposal, the Board will forward its determination to the NPC and responsible Ministers to exercise their powers and perform their duties and functions.

Please send your comments to the NIRB at [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca), through the online public registry at [www.nirb.ca](http://www.nirb.ca) or via fax at (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or require clarification, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4609 or [johokannoak@nirb.ca](mailto:johokannoak@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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