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Re: Additional Information addressing comments from CIRNAC

Dear Talia:

Please find below is our response addressing the comments received by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) with regards to the Iqaluit Quarry Area 1 and Area 2 (NIRB# 19QN021).

Reclamation and Closure

Vegetation will be removed from the surface as the area will be excavated. Should an organic and root rich soil be present, it will be stockpiled for use in the reclamation of the pits.

The area of loss is reasonably small and of low habitat value. The City will use revenues from the resources to re-contour slopes if needed and to manage any water pooling in depressions left in the pits.

Pioneer species are expected to colonize the pits once they are no longer in use and once the slopes are re-contoured. Revegetation of disturbed areas with similar soils has been observed in other areas of Iqaluit.

If you have any questions or require clarification, please contact me directly at (867) 982-7661 or dzita@gov.nu.ca.

Sincerely,

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