



# NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 21UN003

Project Name: The “Clyde River Small Craft Harbour – Clyde River Geotechnical and Sampling Program” project

Proponent Name: Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours (DFO-SCH)

Project Type: Other Region: Qikiqtani (North Baffin) Region

Public Registry: [www.nirb.ca](http://www.nirb.ca) Application No. 125577

Comment Deadline: **March 10, 2021**

## PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Clyde River Small Craft Harbour – Clyde River Geotechnical and Sampling Program” project is located within the Qikiqtani (North Baffin) region, in Clyde River. The Proponent intends to evaluate the ocean bottom sediments in the harbour area, obtain sediment samples for physical and chemical analysis, and obtain bedrock core (if encountered). The program is proposed to take place for 15 days in March/April 2021. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Use of a CCME 55 Drill Rig to conduct geotechnical coring/sampling for drilling up to 25 boreholes (7 on land and 18 in the harbour area through the sea-ice)
- Use of a portable, heated shack at each drilling location
- All hazardous waste to be packaged securely and transported south for proper disposal
- Hiring of local community members for support

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **21UN003** 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](http://www.nirb.ca).** Comments can still be submitted directly to the NIRB via email at [info@nirb.ca](mailto: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 Mia Otokiak, Junior Technical Advisor toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or [motokiak@nirb.ca](mailto:motokiak@nirb.ca).