



**NIRB File No.: 21UN004**

NPC File No.: 149437

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**Re: Suspension of Assessment Activities for Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours’ “Arctic Bay Small Craft Harbour Development” Project Proposal, pursuant to NuPPAA s. 143(2)**

Dear Eleanor McEwan:

On February 25, 2021 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the enclosed correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours’ (DFO – SCH) in which a request has been made for the suspension of the NIRB’s assessment of the “Arctic Bay Small Craft Harbour Development” project proposal, NIRB File No.: 21UN004. Having taken into consideration the Proponent’s comments in respect of the requested suspension, pursuant to s. 143(2) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*) the Board is hereby suspending the assessment of the “Arctic Bay Small Craft Harbour Development” project proposal as requested, effective **March 5, 2021**.

Should the Proponent wish to resume the assessment in the future, a written request must be filed directly with the NIRB; please note that if such a written request has not been filed within three years of the suspension date (March 5, 2021), the assessment of the project will be terminated as per s. 143(4) of the *NuPPAA*.

Should you have any questions regarding the suspension of this assessment or require clarification regarding how to address the outstanding information requirements for this file, please contact the NIRB’s Manager, Impact Assessment, Keith Morrison, directly at (867) 983-4617 or [kmorrison@nirb.ca](mailto:kmorrison@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure (1): Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours Suspension Request Letter (February 25, 2021)

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