



# CIRNAC Comments to NIRB

Re: Notice of Screening for Parks Canada's "Lake Hazen Barrel Shed Remediation and Replacement" Project Proposal



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Via NIRB public registry

**Re: Notice of Screening and Comment request for Parks Canada's "Lake Hazen Barrel Shed Remediation and Replacement" Project Proposal**

Dear Mia Otokiak,

On April 9, 2021, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on Parks Canada's "Lake Hazen Barrel Shed Remediation and Replacement" project proposal. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and offers the responses below as it pertains to the NIRB's request:

**Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal:**

**CIRNAC #1: Potential for Positive Effects to Inuit Through Employment and Contracting Opportunities**

CIRNAC notes the "Identification of Environmental Impacts" table included in the Proponent's application form (NIRB ID 334185, p. 12) indicates the project proposal will have positive employment effects. It is not clear if this employment effect will reflect local employment.

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent prioritize members of the communities of Grise Fiord and Resolute Bay in an project-related employment, training, and contracting opportunities that may be made available. Such efforts will allow for positive effects to be realized by community members and the local Inuit population.



## **CIRNAC #2: Consultation with Interested Parties**

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent maintain open communication with the Hamlets of Grise Fiord and Resolute Bay, as well as other community members and organizations which may have an interest in project activities. Issues that should be considered as part of any consultation activity include:

- Incorporation of Inuit knowledge or Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit into project activities;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent any disturbance to wildlife and the environment;
- The experience of community members who participate in traditional and non-traditional activities in close proximity to the project area;
- Employment, training, and contracting opportunities; and
- Regular updates on the status of project activities.

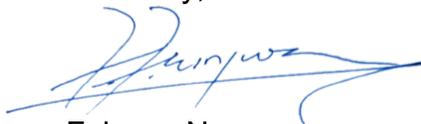
## **CIRNAC #3: Cultural Resource Impact Assessment Report**

The Proponent indicates that they will conduct a Cultural Resource Impact Assessment to determine how the Lake Hazen Barrel Shed, which is identified as a cultural resource, will be documented before its removal and associated site remediation.

Once completed, CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent provide a copy of the Cultural Resource Impact Assessment Report to the NIRB to allow for transparency in project activities, and inform the public on the barrel shed's management.

CIRNAC appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and looks forward to working with the NIRB and the Proponent throughout any further review phases related to this project. Should you have any questions, please contact Richard Bingley at (867) 975-4556 or by e-mail at [Richard.Bingley2@Canada.ca](mailto:Richard.Bingley2@Canada.ca).

Sincerely,



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