

Project Dashboard

Muskox (*Ovibos moschatus*) distribution and abundance of Central Mainland, Nunavut

(MX11) (149527)

Proposal Status: Conformity Determination Issued

KEEWATIN QUESTIONNAIRE

GENERAL

Environmental Protection:

s2.4.9: The applicant undertakes to prevent any new occurrences of pollution, garbage and contamination at the site of the development.

YES

Removal of Fuel Drums:

s2.4.9: The applicant undertakes to remove all drums safely from the site and dispose of the drums in a safe manner.

YES

New Site Restoration and Clean Up:

s2.4.15 and Appendix 2,s1: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its natural condition to the greatest extent possible.

YES

Old Site Restoration and Clean Up:

s3.13.2: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its original condition to the greatest extent possible, including any work required due to the applicant's action prior to this application.

YES

Low Level Air Flights:

s5.4.4 and Appendix 2, s3: Will the applicant avoid low-level flights?

NO

i. If not, explain why such flights are or may be absolutely necessary.

This is a muskox aerial survey where low-level flights are a requirements of the methodology.

ii. If such flights are or may be absolutely necessary, will they avoid disturbance to people and wildlife?

YES

iii. If not, explain why it is not possible to avoid such disturbance.

Caribou Protection Measures:

s2.4.6 and Appendix 3: Will the applicant comply with the Caribou Protection Measures outlined in section 2.4.6 and in Appendix 3?

YES

Caribou Water Crossings:

Will the applicant avoid, between May 15 and September 1, to construct any camp, cache any fuel or conduct s2.4.6 and map: any blasting within 10 km of any Designated Caribou Water Crossing identified

YES

ARCHEOLOGY

Reporting of Archaeological Sites:

s4.4.3 and Appendix 3, s2 and s8: Will the applicant immediately report the discovery of all suspected archaeological sites to the Government of Nunavut?

YES

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Scientific Research:

s6.4.2: Does the project proposal involve scientific research?

YES

If yes, will the applicant integrate all available and relevant local and traditional knowledge when conducting its research?

YES

Local Services and Local Employment:

s6.4.3: Will the applicant rely on local services and employment where possible?

YES

Describe the services retained and people to be employed.

Yes, we will work with the community and HTOs to hire community members as observers (4 to 8 people).

Communication on Scientific Research:

s6.4.4: Will the applicant communicate with communities in language that is clear, non-technical, in Inuktitut and English and communicate to the affected communities the results of all scientific res

YES

Consultation with Nunavut Research Institute:

s6.4.5: Has the applicant made all reasonable efforts to consult with the Nunavut Research Institute about research that would benefit or interest local residents?

NO

If no, explain why.

Since this is a Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment lead project, extensive consultation with the community and co-management partners occurred in the preparation of this project. Direction and community support was given at the 2017 September muskox work shop and at the 2017 and 2018 KRWB AGM. HTOs have been involved in the review of permit application, as well as in the survey design in May 2019. In addition, community members will be hired as observers during the survey.

PARTICULAR AREAS

Game Sanctuary:

s2.4.1: Is the project proposal located, in whole or in part, within the Thelon Game sanctuary?

YES

Bird Sanctuary:

s2.4.1: Is the project proposal located, in whole or in part, within the Mc Connell River Migratory Bird Sanctuary, the Harry Gibbons Migratory Bird Sanctuary or, the East Bay Migratory Bird Sanctuary

NO

Southern Southampton Island and Coats Island:

s3.4.5: Is the project proposal located, in whole or in part, in southern Southampton Island and Coats Island?

NO

If yes, does the project proposal involve hydrocarbon exploration?

YES

Municipal Lands:

s1.4.3: Is the project located, in whole or in part, within municipal boundaries?

YES

PARTICULAR ACTIVITIES

New Land Use:

Does the project proposal involve a new type of land use never engaged in before in the region?

NO

Code of Good Conduct for Land Users:

Appendix 2: The applicant undertakes to adhere to the Code of Good Conduct at all times.

YES