



## COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. To assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project proposal, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project proposal application:

<b>Project Proposal Title:</b> <u>Turquetil-Esker Drilling Program</u>	
<b>Proponent:</b> <u>MPH Consulting Limited</u>	
<b>Location:</b> <u>Kivalliq Region</u>	
<b>Comments Due By:</b> <u>May 18, 2021</u>	<b>NIRB #:</b> <u>21EN009</u>

**Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:**

<input type="checkbox"/> no concerns <input type="checkbox"/> water quality <input type="checkbox"/> terrain <input type="checkbox"/> air quality <input type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area	<input type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities <input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation <input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area <input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area <input type="checkbox"/> human health issues <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ _____ _____
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**Please describe the concerns indicated above:**

Your proposal has been reviewed to determine whether it is likely to result in the death of fish by means other than fishing and the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat which are prohibited under subsections 34.4(1) and 35(1) of the *Fisheries Act*; and, effects to listed aquatic species at risk, any part of their critical habitat or the residences of their individuals in a manner which is prohibited under sections 32, 33 and subsection 58(1) of the *Species at Risk Act*.

**Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?**

Fisheries and Oceans Canada recommends the proponent review the Interim Code of Practice for End-of-pipe fish screens (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/codes/screen-ecran-eng.html>) and the Measures to Protect Fish and Fish Habitat (<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/measures-mesures-eng.html>). If the project is able to comply with the conditions and measures set out in the Interim Code of Practice, the Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program (the Program) is of the view that your proposal will not require an authorization under the Fisheries Act or the Species at Risk Act; however, we recommend that a Notification Form be submitted. Should your plans change, if you have omitted some information in your proposal, or if the project is unable to comply with the Interim Codes of Practice or the Measures to Protect Fish and Fish Habitat, we recommend that the proponent submit a Request for Review (<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/reviews-revues/forms-formes/request-demand-eng.pdf>) of the project. It remains the responsibility of the proponent to remain in compliance with the *Fisheries Act*, avoid prohibited effects on listed aquatic species at risk, any part of their critical habitat or the residences of their individuals, and prevent the introduction of non-indigenous species.



**Do you support the project proposal? Yes ☐ No ☐ Any additional comments?**

It is the proponent's Duty to Notify DFO if they have caused, or are about to cause, the death of fish by means other than fishing and/or the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat. Such notifications should be directed to [FisheriesProtection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto:FisheriesProtection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca) or 1-855-852-8320.

If you have any questions please contact Rick Kiriluk at our Burlington office at 289-230-1327 or by email at [Rick.Kiriluk@dfo-mpo.gc.ca](mailto:Rick.Kiriluk@dfo-mpo.gc.ca).

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