



# NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 20YN019

Project Name: The “Qikiqtaaluk Inshore Fisheries Research” project  
Proponent Name: Qikiqtaaluk Corporation  
Project Type: Research Region: Qikiqtani (South Baffin)  
Public Registry: [www.nirb.ca](http://www.nirb.ca) Application No.: 125615  
Comment Deadline: **July 2, 2021**

## PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Qikiqtaaluk Inshore Fisheries Research” project is located within the Qikiqtani (South Baffin) region, within the community boundaries of Kinngait, Sanirajak, Igloodik and Sanikiluaq. The Proponent intends to conduct research to determine the fishery potential of marine resources in these communities. The program is proposed to take place from July 2021 to October 2021 (with community consultation happening in 2025). The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Use of *RV Ludy Pudluk* for research purposes
- Five Inuit from each community will actively join the research efforts and be trained on the equipment and research operations; o Two Inuit will fly to Newfoundland to join *RV Ludy Pudluk* while it transits North.
  - o Two community vessels will work in tandem with the *RV Ludy Pudluk* to increase efficiency.
- Storage and use of 3,000 litres (L) diesel fuel and 40 gallons of gasoline for the life of the project; and
- Combustible and non-combustible waste will be stored until disposed of properly in the communities.
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Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **20YN019** 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).