



NOTICE OF SCREENING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 21YN036

Project Name: The “Acoustic Monitoring for Community Empowerment at Clyde River, Nunavut” project
Proponent Name: Ittaq Heritage and Research Centre (IHRC)
Project Type: Research Region: Qikiqtani
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125622
Comment Deadline: **July 22, 2021**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “Acoustic Monitoring for Community Empowerment at Clyde River, Nunavut” project is located within the Qikiqtani region, approximately 100 kilometres (km) from Clyde River. The Proponent intends to conduct an acoustic monitoring program to gain a baseline understanding of the ocean sounds by installing two acoustic monitoring devices. The program is proposed to take place from July 2021 to December. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Installation of two acoustic recorders to monitor underwater noise at locations identified in consultation with the Hamlet, Mayor’s office and Hunter and Trappers Organization;
- Transportation of a team of four (4) by a local boat; and
- Activities and research done by Ittaq staff with support of Jasco.

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **21YN036** 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. Comments can still be submitted directly to the NIRB via email at 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 Guillaume Daoust, Technical Advisor I, toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or gdaoust@nirb.ca.