

beside the SCH, a new laydown area mooring bollard, harbour lighting, aids to navigation, and upgrades to haul road and river crossing.

- 2. Modifications to the original/amended project proposal:** Upgrade of the existing bridge to accommodate heavy construction equipment instead of the installation of temporary culverts initially planned. The bridge improvement will include the addition of 4 bridge supports made of steel piles to be drilled in the river bed. Each support will be made of 3 steel pile of 8" diameter. Two supports will be installed on each side of the river to secure the existing binwalls. Two other supports will be installed in the first third of the bridge span. The existing wood decking will be reinforced by adding new wood sleepers and new timber deck.

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above-noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal and the most recent conformity determination was issued June 22, 2021, which still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board, including upgrades to haul road and river crossing (NIRB FILE NO.: 19YN031, 21YN032). It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the inclusion of upgrades to the existing bridge does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149866&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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