



# Consultation Sessions

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# WELCOME

# Introductions



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# Session Objectives

Build knowledge and awareness around the Standard Impact Statement (IS) Guidelines development process

Provide an opportunity for stakeholders and rightsholders to give feedback

Gather input to inform the next iteration of the Draft Standard IS Guidelines

# Agenda

#	Agenda Item	Time
1	Welcome and Opening Remarks	15 minutes
2	Context Setting	15 minutes
3	Seeking Input on Key Themes	130 minutes
4	Comments on Other Themes	15 minutes
5	Closing	5 minutes

- Washrooms are located in the gym and pool area on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor
- Muster station is located in the lobby of the Pinnacle Harbourfront Hotel across the street
- WIFI network: Ambleside II Room - Password: NIRB

# Roundtable Introductions

Please share your name and organization

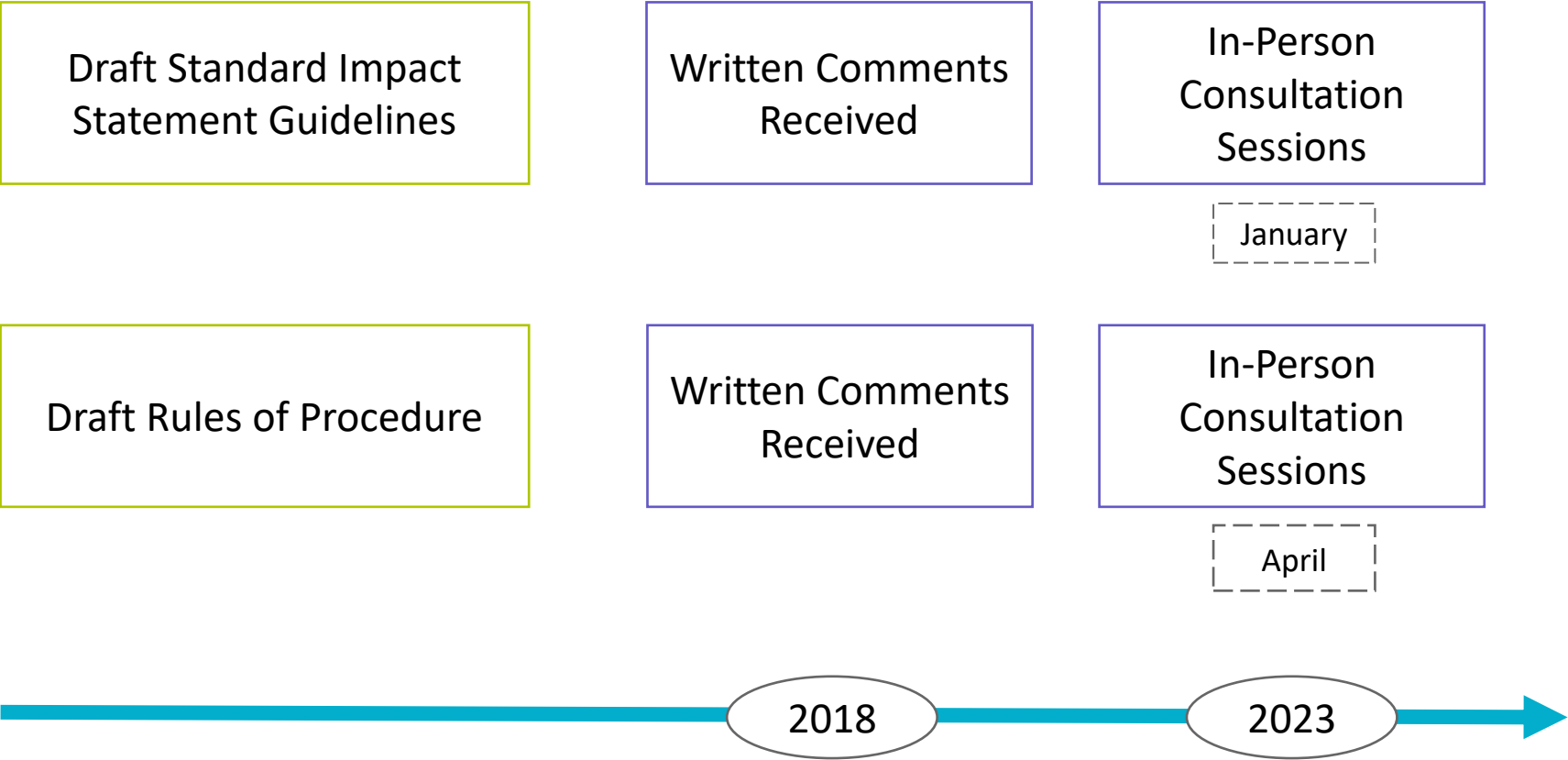




# CONTEXT SETTING



# Parallel Consultation Processes







# Core Principles

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- Inuit and community involvement are to be woven throughout all themes
- Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit needs to inform all stages of the impact assessment
- The proponent must provide reasons for differences in conclusions
- Systems analysis (individual and collective impacts)



# SEEKING INPUT ON KEY THEMES

# Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and Public Engagement

## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- Inuit and community members need to be involved throughout all stages of project development
- Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit needs to inform all stages of the impact assessment
- The Proponent shall share how it has followed all applicable Inuit protocols for the collection, protection, and use of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit
- Inuit need to be involved in both the collection and interpretation of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and other Knowledge shared
- The Proponent must provide reasons for conclusions differing from community views

What do you like or appreciate?  
What uncertainties or gaps remain?  
What additional information or guidance is required?

# Significance Determination

## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- Assessing the significance of potential impacts is the most important aspect of an Impact Statement and must involve potentially affected communities
- The Proponent shall include how it considered different parties' views in determining the significance of potential impacts
- The Proponent shall describe how Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, well-being, and the values of potentially impacted communities are reflected in the determination of significance

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## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- Sufficient information and analysis must be included (for example scientific information, engineering information, Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, Indigenous Knowledge, and Community Knowledge).
- Where conclusions are inconsistent with Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, Indigenous Knowledge, and Community Knowledge, Proponent rationale and plans to address differences shall be included.
- The Proponent shall identify and/or clarify any uncertainties in methods and conclusions.
- Proponents are encouraged to use plain language as much as possible and consider plain language summaries for each chapter.
- The Proponent shall engage with potentially impacted communities on what visuals would be most helpful (for example 3-D models, maps with pictures on them, or photos of the area).



## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- Baseline includes historical background and current baseline conditions
- A description of how the existing environment is expected to change over the life of the project in response to climate change
- Any time limits associated with the validity of data used must be clarified (for example, baseline data may not be valid after a certain time due to changes in sampling techniques)

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## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document (continued):

- Health impact assessments related to Inuit shall include the following considerations: food security; perceived and real risk of contamination and effects of both on country food harvesting and alienation; a Population Health approach; Inuit determinants of health that go beyond the biophysical, and consider the mental, physical, and spiritual aspects of health

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# Climate Change

## Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- The Impact Statement shall include a discussion on global climate change
- The Proponent must assess how potential climate change could affect valued components
- Proponents shall demonstrate how climate change has been considered in the design and planning of the Project including the post-closure period
- Assessments shall address uncertainty and indicate how areas impacted by development are expected to change over time and under different climate change conditions/models

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What uncertainties or gaps remain?  
What additional information or guidance is required?

# Comments on Other Themes

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Any burning comments or questions on the topics we haven't touched on during this session?



# CLOSING



# Tentative Timeline

## January 2023:

Consultations on the Draft  
Standard IS Guidelines

## February – April 2023:

Regional Community Consultations

## June 2023:

Revised Draft Standard IS Guidelines  
for Comment

## October 2023:

NIRB Distributes Finalized  
Standard IS Guidelines

# Thank you!