



June 20, 2023

To: Nunavut Wide Distribution List

*Sent via email*

**RE: Notice of Revised Timelines for the Development of Standard Impact Statement Guidelines and Consultation Summary Reports**

Dear Parties:

On October 12, 2022, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) reached out to parties clarifying the process and next steps for finalizing the development of Standard Impact Statement Guidelines. On January 24 and 25, 2023, the NIRB held in-person consultation sessions in Vancouver with proponents and consultants, Designated Inuit Organizations (DIOs), government and other intervenors, and all parties. The NIRB further held public in-person community consultation sessions in select communities throughout Nunavut throughout April and June 2023. The NIRB would like to provide parties with the enclosed summary reports of verbal comments provided during these consultations. The NIRB is further providing parties with an updated anticipated timeline for the process to develop Standard Impact Statement Guidelines.

The objectives of the consultation sessions were to bring parties together to build knowledge and awareness around the Standard IS Guidelines development process, provide an opportunity to hear perspectives and receive feedback on key themes, and to inform the next iteration of the Draft Standard IS Guidelines. Parties will be provided with the opportunity to comment on the Revised Draft Impact Statement Guidelines. The NIRB would like to thank parties for their participation in the consultation sessions and follow-up discussions as well as providing written clarification of comments. The time and effort taken, and knowledge shared to inform the development of Standard Impact Statement Guidelines is much appreciated. The NIRB would especially like to thank the consultants from Stratos for their work in planning, facilitating, and following up from the Vancouver sessions. The NIRB would further like to thank the consultants

from Stratos Inc., an ERM Group Company for their work in planning, facilitating, and following up from the Vancouver sessions.

As parties are aware, the NIRB is concurrently developing the following separate guidance documents for proponents on: Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit, Public Engagement, and a Socio-Economic Toolkit. To ensure consistency between these documents and the Standard Impact Statement Guidelines, the NIRB has revised the expected dates for the next steps of development the Standard Impact Statement Guidelines as follows:

Activity	Anticipated Date
NIRB distributes updated <i>Revised Draft</i> Standard IS Guidelines for comment	Tentatively September 2023
NIRB distributes Finalized Standard IS Guidelines	Tentatively December 2023

Note: all dates are tentative and may be changed by the Board to reflect circumstances

All information related to the NIRB's development of Standard Impact Statement Guidelines can be accessed from the NIRB's website at [www.nirb.ca/rules-of-procedure](http://www.nirb.ca/rules-of-procedure).

If you have any questions regarding the NIRB's process for developing Standard Impact Statement Guidelines, please contact Heather Rasmussen, Senior Policy Advisor, at (867) 983-4606 or [hrasmussen@nirb.ca](mailto:hrasmussen@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Enclosed: IS Guidelines Community Tour Follow Up Report  
IS Guidelines Parties Consultations Follow Up Report