

Sept. 29, 2023

Nunavut Impact Review Board  
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Cambridge Bay, NU  
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Attention: Ryan Barry, Acting Executive Director, via email

Dear Mr. Barry,

**RE: MARY RIVER PROJECT CERTIFICATE 005 APPENDIX B COMMITMENTS, INTERIM STATUS UPDATE**

Further to our joint update to NIRB filed March 30, 2023, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (**Baffinland**) and the Qikiqtani Inuit Organization (**QIA**) are writing to report on performance of the commitments listed in Appendix B of the Nunavut Impact Review Board (**NIRB**) Project Certificate 005 for the Mary River Project, as required by Term and Condition 189. We are also providing a status update on the current initiatives underway towards establishment of interim and permanent project monitors.

**A. Current Status of Project Certificate No. 005 Appendix B Commitments**

Baffinland and QIA jointly prepared the attached table reporting on the current status of fulfillment of commitments listed in Appendix B to Project Certificate 005. Should the NIRB require supporting documentation in relation to any of the items in the attached table, we would be pleased to provide it.

Significant progress has been made since the amended Project Certificate was issued on Nov. 4, 2022. Currently, 29 of the Appendix B commitments are now “Complete” while 47 are “In Progress”.

We will continue to report regularly to the NIRB in order to support transparency and understanding that commitments made during the Production Increase Proposal Renewal (**PIPR**) NIRB process during 2022 are being implemented by Baffinland and QIA.

**B. Current Status of Interim Project Monitor (referenced in Project Certificate Term and Condition 189)**

Baffinland and QIA are working together to designate an Interim Project Monitor to provide future reports to NIRB on the performance of the Appendix B commitments. Significant progress has been made on this initiative and we anticipate that an Interim Project Monitor may be in place as early as November 2023.

**C. Current Status of Project Monitor (referenced in Minister’s letter to NIRB of October 4, 2022)**

In parallel with the items described above, Baffinland, QIA, and the Government of Canada have been working together since November 2022 to discuss the role, scope and mandate of the permanent independent Project Monitor, as required by Minister Vandal’s October 4, 2022 letter to the Board approving the 2022 Production Increase Proposal. Since the March 2023 joint Baffinland/QIA update to NIRB, meetings on this topic have continued to occur at least bi-weekly and both in person and virtually.

A further status report (including on community engagement initiatives) will be provided to NIRB in the coming months.

Please let Baffinland and QIA know if you require any additional information regarding any of the topics discussed in this letter or the attachments.

Sincerely,



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Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation



Jeremiah Groves  
Executive Director  
Qikiqtani Inuit Association

cc. Terry Audla, Regional Director General, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada  
Lisa Dyer, Director General, Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency

BIM ID	Commitment Description	September 31 Bi-Annual Report	Compliance Status	Qualifier
001	Baffinland will continue to implement the mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts to marine mammals (Relevant species: Ringed Seal, Bearded Seal, Walrus, Beluga, Narwhal, Bowhead Whale, Polar Bear) as a result of shipping in the Shipping and Marine Wildlife Management Plan.	Mitigations continue to be included in the Shipping and Marine Wildlife Management Plan	Compliant	Complete
002	Baffinland will continue to implement the following mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts to terrestrial wildlife (Relevant species: Caribou, Wolf) as a result of operations (Mine site, Tote Road, and Milne Port) in the Terrestrial Environment Mitigation and Monitoring Plan.	Mitigations continue to be included in the Terrestrial Environment Mitigation and Monitoring Plan	Compliant	Complete
003	Baffinland will conduct aerial caribou surveys in Fall 2022 or 2023.	Aerial surveys completed in March 2023. Preliminary analyses shared with QIA on June 19, 2023. Program to be discussed in December 2023 TEWG Meeting and reported on through the 2023 Annual Report to NIRB.	Compliant	Complete
004	Baffinland will continue to implement the following mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts to marine mammals, terrestrial wildlife, fish and fish habitat, water quality, air quality, etc. as a result of operations (Mine Site, Tote Road, Milne Port) in the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.	Mitigations continue to be included in the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.	Compliant	Complete
005	Baffinland will work with the Hamlets and HTOs of Igloolik and Sanirajak to carry out additional baseline studies for marine, terrestrial, and avian wildlife related to Steensby. This could begin as early as 2023.	Igloolik and Sanirajak have been engaged in offsetting workshops related to freshwater and marine fish. Engagements happened between May 8 to 19. Additional workshops are planned from Oct 2 to 6. Monitoring program development workshops will be held after SOP review process is complete. Baffinland is working with QIA to prepare for additional Steensby related engagements.	Compliant	In Progress

006	<p>If approval is granted for 6 Mtpa for 2022, Baffinland commits to not lay off any Inuit employees during this production year (excepting employment matters that could give cause for termination on an individual basis, should they arise). We also confirm future applications will give due consideration to the need for adequate time for procedural matters.</p>	<p>Following the Ministers approval of the PIP Renewal on October 4, 2022, Baffinland was able to rescind all termination notices that had previously been issued, including those issued to Inuit employees. No terminations occurred for the remainder of 2022 in relation to the circumstances that the termination notices were originally issued.</p> <p>To ensure future applications give due consideration for the time needed by Inuit and communities to review and participate in procedural matters, Baffinland submitted the draft Sustaining Operation Proposal (SOP) Application to QIA on November 25, 2022 and again on February 27, 2023, each time for a 15 day review period as required under Article 15.10.5 of the Mary River IIBA. At the same the QIA was in receipt of the draft SOP Application, Baffinland engaged directly with each of the 5 North Baffin Hamlets and HTO's through bilateral meetings in communities and via teleconference. These meetings also included a two-day presentation and question/answer period on January 17 and 18, 2023.</p> <p>Baffinland submitted the first formal application related to the SOP on January 23, 2023 to the Nunavut Planning Commission. On February 2, 2023 the NPC confirmed that the SOP conformed to the North Baffinland Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). Once Baffinland has considered the QIA's comments from their most recent review of the draft SOP Application, the final version will be submitted to the NIRB, no later than April 6, 2023. This is roughly three months earlier in the year compared to the timing of the PIP Renewal Application submission in June 2022.</p>	Compliant	Complete
007	<p>Baffinland confirms that it is committed to full consideration of the dust audit suggestions, and will implement accepted recommendations from the Independent Dust Audit at its earliest opportunity.</p>	<p>Baffinland submitted response to the 2022 Dust Audit Report on August 2, 2023. Progress on implementation of recommendations will be captured in 2023 Dust Audit Report, due January 31, 2024.</p>	Compliant	In Progress
008	<p>Baffinland will engage with Igloolik to develop community infrastructure commitments – including significant infrastructure projects such as road paving and women and youth centers – with an aim to realize benefits to Igloolik:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• businesses;</li> <li>• women;</li> </ul>	<p>Baffinland and Igloolik have not yet engaged on priority community infrastructure projects, however, Baffinland remains committed to exploring these opportunities with Igloolik at their request. Recent announcements related to the Steensby component of the Project present significant potential for Baffinland to extend benefits currently limited to Pond Inlet in other communities, including those adjacent to the Southern Shipping Route. Further,</p>	Compliant	In Progress

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• youth; and</li> <li>• hunters.</li> </ul>	with the stability of a railway operation, Baffinland will be able to make further meaningful investments in communities not possible under a 6 mpta trucking operation through Milne Port.		
012	Baffinland agrees to pay \$1,000,000 (2020 CAD) to MHTO by October 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2022.	One time payment made in October 2022	Compliant	Complete
014	Baffinland agrees to pay \$1,858,500 (2022 CAD) to QIA for engineering and planning costs for Pond Inlet Regional Training Centre by November 15th, 2022.	One time payment made in November 2022	Compliant	Complete
015	<p>Baffinland agrees to pay \$10,000,000 (2018 CAD) for the Pond Inlet Training Centre to be paid as follows prior to inflation adjustment: October 15, 2022 - \$1,500,000; November 15, 2022 - \$1,500,000; December 15, 2022 - \$2,000,000; January 15, 2023 - \$1,500,000; February 15, 2023 - \$1,500,000; and March 15, 2023 - \$2,000,000.</p> <p>All payments shall be adjusted to 2022 CAD.</p>	Final payment made in March 2023	Compliant	Complete
016	Baffinland agrees the NIRB Project Certificate 005 Terms and Condition 49 (Terrestrial Working Groups) and 77 (Marine Working Groups) should be amended according to the wording provided in Appendix B.	<p>On September 22, 2022 Baffinland submitted to QIA a final copy of the joint recommended Terms and Conditions and Commitments that both parties had agreed to in order to secure QIA's support for the approval of the Production Increase Proposal Renewal. This submission included draft revised Terms and Conditions 49 and 77, which were designed to satisfy Baffinlands commitment to QIA ID-5. On November 3, 2022 the NIRB released Project Certificate 005, Amendment No 004, inclusive of the jointly recommended amendments to Terms and Conditions 49 and 77.</p> <p>To satisfy the requirements of Terms and Conditions 49 and 77, Baffinland distributed a revised draft Terms of Reference for review by working group members and observers on August 19, 2022. Since then Baffinland has proposed to circulate a revised draft Terms of Reference based on comments received by working group members and observers between September 2022 and February 2023. The revised draft Terms of Reference will be subject to a final teleconference with working group members and observers prior to being finalized. Baffinland intends to submit the final Terms of Reference to the NIRB</p>	Compliant	Complete

		<p>with a summary of the development process. A timeline is still to be agreed to by working group members and observers.</p> <p>In parallel with completing the revisions to the working group Terms of Reference, Baffinland proactively hosted the four Hunters and Trappers Organizations from Sanijarak, Igloodik, Clyde River and Arctic Bay at the Marine and Terrestrial Environment Working Group meetings, held in Ottawa and Iqaluit between February 14 and 16, 2022.</p>		
017	<p>Baffinland agrees the NIRB Project Certificate 005 Terms and Condition shall be amended to include a new Term and Condition for an independent Project Monitor according to the wording provided in Appendix B.</p>	<p>On September 22, 2022 Baffinland submitted to QIA a final copy of the joint recommended Terms and Conditions and Commitments that both parties had agreed to in order to secure QIA's support for the approval of the Production Increase Proposal Renewal. This submission included a draft new Term and Condition, which was designed to satisfy Baffinlands commitment to QIA ID-6 (Project Monitor). On October 4, 2022 the Minister released a positive determination on the Production Increase Proposal Renewal, inclusive of several modified and new Terms and Conditions to include in Project Certificate 005, Amendment No 004. The Minister, however, did not include the jointly recommended Term and Condition related to QIA ID-6 (Project Monitor). Instead, the Minister directed representatives from the Government of Canada, Qikiqtani Inuit Association and Baffinland to begin engagements prior to November 30, 2022 with the goal of installing an independent third party monitor for the Mary River Project as soon as reasonably practicable. The parties have since taken part in a series of teleconferences, in person meetings and a community workshop as part of a process to develop the project monitor position.</p>	Compliant	Complete
018	<p>QIA and Baffinland jointly develop and approve, by April 2024, the adaptive management elements for monitoring programs and Inuit Objectives, Indicators, Thresholds and Responses for the Adaptive Management Plan related to narwhal, seal, Arctic char, caribou, dust and culture, resource and land use.</p>	<p>Baffinland submitted draft management plans to NIRB on May 15, 2023, inclusive of those requiring agreement with QIA regarding identified adaptive management elements. Copies provided to QIA on May 18, 2023.</p> <p>Baffinland has circulated draft work plan for review and comment, and held meeting with AMPWG on August 30, 2023. Baffinland has begun to receive QIA comments on draft plans. Engagement is planned for the remainder of 2023 and into 2024 with a view to finalizing management plans by April 2024.</p>	Compliant	In Progress

019	<p>Baffinland will support and fund the establishment of the Inuit Stewardship Plan (ISP). Funding will commence November 1st, 2022 and will continue until the completion of the ISP, estimated to occur together with approval of the AMP in April 2024. Baffinland will fund QIA’s work to develop the ISP through Monthly Payments which shall commence on November 1st, 2022.</p> <p>QIA will provide the “ISP Workplan” (including a description of the work completed to date and intended inclusion of assessments/studies from QIA-07, QIA-08, QIA-09, QIA-11, QIA-12, QIA-13, QIA-17, QIA-21B, QIA-21F and QIA-23) by October 15th, 2022.</p> <p>QIA agrees to consider payments received by Baffinland for Inuit Certainty Agreement (ICA) implementation received to date as partial payment towards this commitment according to a payment reconciliation completed by QIA not later than October 15, 2022, to determine the outstanding ICA payment amount currently available (the “ICA Implementation Payment Amount”). Completion of the payment reconciliation will ensure Baffinland is prepared in advance to provide funding over and above the ICA Implementation Payment Amount, should that be required.</p> <p>Baffinland will be entitled to reduce Monthly Payments against the amount of the outstanding ICA Implementation Payment Amount, provided the outstanding ICA Implementation Payments are not required for other agreed upon purposes.</p> <p>QIA will provide Quarterly Reports describing activities undertaken, updates to work plans, and, a summary of actual expenses relative to Monthly Payments received.</p> <p>Baffinland will be entitled to reduce future Monthly Payments according to any unspent Monthly Payments as summarized in QIA Quarterly Reports.</p>	<p>QIA has completed the ICA payment reconciliation for 3rd party costs and is continuing the reconciliation of its own costs.</p>	Compliant	In Progress
020	<p>Baffinland will resource QIA’s development of Culture, Resource Land Use, the Pond Inlet Country Food Baseline, and Inuit Stewardship Plan according to the “ISP Work Plan” and “Monthly Payments”.</p>	<p>It is anticipated that the studies will be available by the end of 2023. QIA's ISP work plan is anticipated to be provided by Oct.</p>	Compliant	In Progress
022	<p>Baffinland to provide, by December 31, 2022, a timeline and plan for development of monitoring and AMP plans.</p>	<p>Baffinland submitted to QIA a timeline and plan for development of AMP plans relevant to QIA ID-07 on January 15, 2023. In the same correspondence a meeting of the Adaptive Management Plan Working Group was also requested.</p>	Compliant	Complete

		QIA was requested to review the submission, provide response, and propose timing of first working group meeting.		
023	Baffinland to provide data on which indicators within the draft adaptive management plans have been triggered within the low, medium, and high response levels.	Baffinland did not release revised management plans subject to QIA approval under Appendix B, Commitment #018 until May 2023. The draft 2023 management plans have been revised from those reviewed under the Inuit Certainty Agreement implementation process. Baffinlands 2022 monitoring program results are also now available for comparison. Baffinland proposes we develop a comparison between the draft 2023 management plans and 2022 monitoring program results. Baffinland will provide these to the joint Baffinland-QIA Adaptive Management Working Group as an aid to review the draft 2023 management plans, with the intent to seek agreement on adaptive management elements of the monitoring programs subject to QIA agreement. Baffinland will work with QIA to determine the timing of this submission as part of the development of a work plan to meet the April 2024 deadline. Baffinland plans to provide comparison between data and indicators by October 31, 2023.	Compliant	In Progress
024	<p>With 30 days of completion, Baffinland will provide NIRB with:</p> <p>a. Pond Inlet Country Food Baseline Study, verified by QIA and Pond Inlet;  b. Culture, Resource Land Use (CRLU) Assessment verified by QIA and the Project-affected communities;</p> <p>Furthermore, Baffinland agrees that when submitting these reports to NIRB Baffinland will also provide an “Action Plan” detailing the monitoring, mitigation(s) and accommodation(s) of impacts on CRLU.</p>	QIA anticipates working with Baffinland on the Action Plan prior to its submission to NIRB.	Compliant	In Progress
025	Baffinland agrees the NIRB Project Certificate 005 Terms and Condition shall be amended to include a new Term and Condition for shipping and icebreaking according to the wording provided in Appendix B.	On September 22, 2022 Baffinland submitted to QIA a final copy of the joint recommended Terms and Conditions and Commitments that both parties had agreed to in order to secure QIA's support for the approval of the Production Increase Proposal Renewal. This submission included draft new Term and Condition, which was designed to satisfy Baffinlands commitment to QIA ID-13. On November 3, 2022 the NIRB released Project Certificate 005, Amendment No 004, inclusive of the jointly recommended new Term and Condition 185.	Compliant	Complete

026	Baffinland agrees to provide scenario planning exercises to better quantify the costs/benefits of ship convoys.	On February 1, 2023 Baffinland circulated a copy of the 2022 Vessel Convoy Analysis Preliminary Report with the Marine Environment Working Group (MEWG), based on data collected through the 2022 Underwater Acoustic Monitoring Program. The Report includes several additional transit scenario's not included in the 2021 Vessel Convoy Analysis Report, with a primary focus on recording convoys of ore carriers not in escort with an icebreaker. The 2022 Report continues to support the hypothesis from the 2021 Report, which is that vessel convoys can be an effective means to reduce the overall sound exposure throughout the shipping season. Any additional convoy scenarios conducted and recorded in the 2023 Underwater Acoustic Monitoring Program will be reported as part of the regular reporting cycle.	Compliant	Complete
026	Baffinland agrees to conduct a study to determine if the simple seasonal average observer data from Bruce Head and the Leg 2 surveys correlates with the photo estimates for all the years to assess whether these metrics could provide an EWI for the year's results that would be applied in future to increase or decrease shipping at the end of summer.	Memo sent to QIA on July 17, 2023. Program implemented in 2023 field season and will be reported in 2023 Annual Reports to NIRB and/or NWB.	Compliant	Complete
026	Baffinland agrees to resource Inuit-led monitoring, updated Early Warning Indicator, Inuit Objectives, Thresholds, Responses consistent with Condition No. 8.	QIA will meet/discuss this payment with Baffinland once the ISP work plan and ICA Reconciliation are complete.	Compliant	In Progress
026	Baffinland agrees to conduct a sampling program to assess cortisol levels in narwhal and morphometric measurements. This would be a systematic program working with harvesters to gather samples, and observations on what they are experiencing and comparing to previous years.	Baffinland shared a draft program outline with QIA on June 23, 2023. Baffinland has engaged a contractor to develop a work plan for review by MHTO. Baffinland plans to meet with MHTO as early as January 2024.	Compliant	In Progress
027	Baffinland agrees to work with QIA to develop, by November 1st, 2022, specific technical plans for 2022 for Early Warning Indicators for narwhal. It is recognized that Inuit Objectives, Thresholds, Responses may be developed at a later point in time through the development of the Inuit Stewardship Plan.	On October 31, 2022 Baffinland proposed to QIA to integrate and prioritize work on the development of additional/modified Early Warning Indicators for narwhal through the review of the revised draft Marine Monitoring Plan.  On January 15, 2023 Baffinland submitted a timeline and plan for development of AMP plans relevant to QIA ID-07.  Baffinland is in the process of issuing a revised draft Adaptive Management Plan and a number of revised draft environmental management plans, inclusive of the Marine Monitoring Plan (MMP).	Compliant	Complete

028	Baffinland agrees to resource QIA to establish an Inuit-led monitoring program on dustfall as an Inuit Stewardship Pilot program to establish the mechanisms needed to allow Inuit observations to influence mitigation measures and test appropriate Adaptive Management Plan structures, which are demonstrably responsive to Inuit Objectives Indicators Thresholds and Responses, with the budget and work plan agreed upon by Baffinland and QIA consistent with Condition No. 8.	QIA will meet/discuss this payment with Baffinland once the ISP work plan and ICA Reconciliation are complete.	Compliant	In Progress
030	Baffinland and the TEWG will establish site specific thresholds for conditions that may increase dust dispersion (i.e., wind speed), and corresponding mitigations to implement on days where thresholds are met, which may include, but not limited to, the use of additional dust suppression and operational staged decreased in dust generating site activities.	This commitment is further advanced/modified by SOP commitment re. FE-1  Baffinland and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association commit to meet by September 30, 2023, November 30, 2023 and January 31, 2024 to discuss dust dispersion data from the following sites being monitored in 2023: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deposit 1 blasting</li> <li>• mine site crusher</li> <li>• OHT transport along the Tote Road</li> <li>• OHT offloading point at Milne Port</li> <li>• Stacking at Milne Port</li> <li>• The highest point of the conveyor system at Milne Port</li> </ul> Baffinland commits to providing NIRB and all Parties with a final version of the site-specific thresholds for dust dispersion by March 30, 2024.	Compliant	In Progress
031	Baffinland will integrate the identified thresholds and response actions into the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.	Baffinland has released a revised draft of the AQNAMP, the plan will remain draft until 6 month post Minister Decision to finalize required edits. This likely lines up with the April 2024 timeline set in Appendix B Commitment #018	Compliant	In Progress
033	Baffinland will refine the application rates of DustBlok in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and continue ongoing communications with the manufacturer to verify application procedures align with reliable dust suppression performance.  Baffinland will provide the QIA with a summary of modifications to the application of DustBlok in 2022, including any relevant advice from the manufacturer, by October 30, 2022.	Update on the application of DustBlok in 2022 included in 2022 Annual Report to NIRB, next update will be provided in Fall 2023	Compliant	In Progress
034	Baffinland to seek confirmation from regulators as to whether a buffer is required for safe application of dust suppressants along the Tote Road to avoid contamination of surface waters on either side of water crossings and in ditches along the Tote Road.	Baffinland has requested Cypher Environmental provide documentation related to GN approval of DustBlok in proximity to streams to satisfy this commitment.	Compliant	In Progress

035	Baffinland will report bi-annually (i.e. two times a year) on the effectiveness of the DustBlok product for the summer and winter months. Data is collected monthly and results received within 30-45 days upon shipment off site for analysis so reporting over a two month freshet period is not feasible.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #033	Compliant	In Progress
036	<p>Baffinland will provide additional confirmation regarding chutes on the ship loader extending into vessel cargo holds and consider minimizing drop distances at the Mine Site.</p> <p>Minimizing drop distances for stockpiling activities will be a standing topic of discussion at TEWG and MEWG meetings whereby Baffinland shall be required to continuously explore additional mitigations related to ore handling and drop distances, in addition to minimized drop distances already confirmed at the Milne Port stockpiles.</p> <p>Baffinland is also required to describe mitigation measures which could be made to operations and ore transferring/handling under a possible future expanded project (e.g., what could be accomplished in a 2023+ project).</p>	Dust monitoring and mitigation is regularly covered at TEWG meetings, inclusive of discussions related to drop distances.	Compliant	In Progress
037	Baffinland will minimize drop distances (i.e., using adjustable stackers) for stockpiling and other relevant ore handling activities and provide confirmation of any adjustments in subsequent annual reports.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #036	Compliant	In Progress
038	Baffinland will provide updates on the feasibility and installation of wind fencing at Milne Port at each terrestrial Environment Working Group meeting until the initiative is complete. Baffinland anticipates on circulating the feasibility study no later than December 31, 2022, and (assuming feasibility evaluation is positive) the subsequent installation of the wind fencing to commence as soon as materials are received on the 2023 sealift. Recognizing the installation of wind fencing in the high Arctic is a novel approach to dust management, and the logistical challenges in procuring and delivering all required materials, Baffinland commits to best efforts to achieve the dates provided in this commitment, however, should unforeseen challenges arise that are outside of Baffinland's control, Baffinland will immediately engage the QIA in the development of a contingency plan.	Feasibility Review provided to QIA on September 25, 2023.	Compliant	Complete
039	Same as QIA ID-20C	See response to Appendix B Commitment #038	Compliant	Complete

040	<p>Baffinland will define what other operational practice improvements will be made to minimize dust from Milne Port once the draft Dust Audit Report is received, and clarify how those measures will be implemented. Changes requiring additional infrastructure or materials should be implemented without delay after receiving the materials on the 2023 sealift, and within and within a reasonable timeframe given the final scope of required work.</p> <p>Baffinland will communicate resulting anticipated construction timelines to QIA once confirmed. Operational changes should be implemented immediately.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #007	Compliant	In Progress
041	Same as QIA ID-20E	See response to Appendix B Commitment #007	Compliant	In Progress
042	Baffinland will complete updated dustfall isopleth modelling with considerations for local topography on wind patterns.	Baffinland has released a revised draft of the AQNAMP, which includes an updated dustfall isopleth modelling report.	Compliant	Complete
043	<p>Baffinland to resource annual snowpack sampling and monitoring through the Inuit led dust monitoring program (see related commitment in the global list related to Inuit led monitoring).</p> <p>Note – Baffinland accepts a funding role but wants to ensure it does not duplicate efforts already agreed to in relation to the Inuit led dust monitoring program.</p>	QIA is working with Hutchinson to plan this work and incorporate it into the ISP work plan, where appropriate.	Compliant	In Progress
044	<p>Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this commitment 044 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “Dustfall and soil/lichen metals monitoring sites should be expanded at a minimum to include locations identified as Areas of Community Concern, and the areas where the highest dustfall was identified in the 2021 assessment (We direct BIMC to Section 5.3 of HESL 2022 for site locations).”</p> <p>Until QIA and Baffinland have confirmed commitments for Baffinland to resource and QIA to execute expanded community monitoring programs for dust the responsibility</p>	<p>Baffinland and QIA to set follow up meeting to continue advancing dust related commitments.</p> <p><u>Meeting Minutes</u>            QIA is to provide areas of concern – BIM to identify potential operation constraints and feasibility (e.g., access, safety). Lichen sampling/collection is a destructive activity, so sampling intensity will consider conservation of this resource for regeneration.            BIM to evaluation areas of interest to align with modeled or currently monitored projected impacts (compare detect/non-detect areas).</p> <p>Additional notes from QIA:            • QIA noted that areas of community concern are flexible and change over time. One easy target could be the MHTO cabins. Then other possible sites can be looked at after.            o QIA committed to providing a list of areas of community concern. BICMC will</p>	Compliant	In Progress

	for sampling all sites of community concern shall remain with Baffinland with the expectation this program will continue in 2023.	then review based on technical information and operational constraints and provide a responses.		
045	Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition. For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this commitment 045 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “Seasonally monitored dustfall sites should be compared with FEIS predictions to confirm that they meet their current low isopleth zone ranking, and to determine the spatial extent and magnitude of dust dispersion beyond the project area.”	The 2022 Terrestrial Environment Monitoring Report includes a comparison of seasonally monitored dustfall sites against FEIS predictions based on a methodology presented to and approved by QIA. Copies of all 2022 marine and terrestrial monitoring reports have been shared with the MEWG and TEWG.	Compliant	Complete
045	Baffinland will circulate an action plan to complete the comparison of seasonally monitored sites against FEIS predictions with the TEWG prior to the next meeting. Baffinland will complete this work by March 1, 2023.  Note – the revised timing is to permit time for BIM to receive the full annual data set (which does not occur until the end of January), in order to inform the requested work product.	QIA confirmed they accept the proposed methodology in January 2023 memo. Analysis was included in 2022 Annual Report to the NIRB.	Compliant	Complete

046	<p>Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this Commitment 046 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “Additional dustfall monitoring locations will help in comprehensively evaluating long-distance dust dispersion. The locations of additional sites should be determined based on results of the updated and expanded isopleth modelling recommended above (see QIA ID-21A).”</p>	<p>Baffinland and QIA to set follow up meeting to continue advancing dust related commitments.</p> <p>Meeting Minutes Baffinland will review the passive dustfall monitoring locations against the updated modelling. Remote sensing has been expanded to cover the community areas of concern.</p> <p>QIA recorded commitments:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BIMC will update their isopleth modelling, add active air quality sampling locations, look for a correlation between the active air sampling and passive dustfall monitoring. Then once the extent of dust and additional monitoring locations are planned, BIMC to overlay areas of community concern and see if there are any areas left over that should have monitoring in place and fill that gap.</li> <li>o BIMC noted safety as being a potential constraint to distant monitoring locations. They committed to reporting back to QIA on this.</li> <li>• BIMC is planning on extending their snow sampling they did to validate the satellite imagery to locations that do not have passive samplers. BIMC committed to reporting back to QIA on how their validation process is going.</li> </ul> </p>	Compliant	In Progress
047	<p>Baffinland will support the development of a snow quality metric, integrating traditional knowledge, as part of the development of Inuit OITRs related to dust from QIA-ID- 7.</p>	<p>QIA will meet/discuss this payment with Baffinland once the ISP work plan is complete.</p>	Compliant	In Progress

048	<p>Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this Commitment 048 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “Dustfall monitoring sites should be added along Milne Inlet to investigate increasing dust extent documented by satellite imagery from 2014 to 2020.”</p>	<p>Baffinland and QIA to set follow up meeting to continue advancing dust related commitments.</p> <p><u>Meeting Minutes</u>          BIM continues to track this through remote sensing, and with the upcoming NRCAN vertical passive dustfall sampler trial, may be able to effectively expand physical monitoring into these areas. Expanded dustfall is not practical due to inability to retrieve samples in winter. This subject will be re-visited pending the results of the NRCAN passive Sampler trials in 2023-2024.</p> <p>QIA additional commitments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BIMC noted that they implemented satellite dustfall extent monitoring based on community concerns and noted that passive dustfall monitoring in these locations would likely be below laboratory thresholds for detection (at least of the current setup). It was noted it may be worthwhile determining if the NRCAN dustfall monitors would have similar limitations.</li> <li>• BIMC noted that they did some paired snow samples with the satellite imagery in 2022 (snow darkening index). Sampled snow to a depth of 5 cm.</li> <li>• It was agreed that BIMC will look into have the NRCAN passive monitors at these locations and continue to use satellite imagery in the interim.</li> <li>• QIA noted that snow cores could be taken at these distant locations. BIMC said they could try to address this through their snow sampling program</li> </ul>	Compliant	In Progress
049	Baffinland will expand satellite imagery analysis beyond 20km.	The 2022 Terrestrial Environment Monitoring Report includes an analysis of satellite imagery of areas that expand to cover areas of community importance identified in QIA's 2022 dust monitoring report, which are beyond the 20km buffer previously used. Copies of all 2022 marine and terrestrial monitoring reports have been shared with the MEWG and TEWG.	Compliant	Complete
050	Baffinland will complete updated dustfall isopleth modelling with considerations for local topography on wind patterns.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #42	Compliant	Complete

051	<p>Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this Commitment 051 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “A desktop study on dust duration on the land should be designed to identify locations likely to experience longer-term dustfall effects. The study should describe the relative role of runoff and wind in dispersing dust from the land, and consider site-specific factors, such as wind, precipitation, topography, snowpack conditions, and vegetation. These modelling and monitoring recommendations should be implemented by BIMC as a condition of receiving approval from the NIRB for the PIP Renewal.”</p>	<p>Baffinland and QIA to set follow up meeting to continue advancing dust related commitments.</p> <p><u>Meeting Minutes</u> Changes to our current monitoring may come out of the model update, however, current SNP/freshet monitoring is already focussed on areas where dust is collected and transported over the snow (both scheduled and opportunistically).</p> <p>BIM requests that QIA provide more information/details regarding how we identify areas for increased freshet monitoring using a desktop study.</p> <p>BIM requires further discussion with QIA to determine the appropriate path forward here.</p> <p>QIA additional commitments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QIA noted that after the updated modeling is completed they would want to see monitoring in place at areas that have longer term dustfall effects.</li> <li>• There was discussion on using the updated modelling and satellite imagery to determine areas of dust accumulation, then having BIMC personnel go out and identify these areas on the ground and then do monitoring during the freshet.</li> <li>• BIMC committed to having a draft of an action plan on this and share it with QIA. Once QIA has provided feedback BIMC will have 30 days to circulate the final plan and action the activities. Noting that the study would be completed in the next year or so and then then monitoring at areas of concern would be in 2025 or 2026</li> </ul>	Compliant	In Progress
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051	<p>Within 30 days of QIA providing additional details on their expectations regarding the requested desktop study, Baffinland will circulate an action plan to complete the study with the TEWG prior to the next meeting. Baffinland will include an anticipated completion date at that time.</p> <p>Note – Baffinland is still unclear on some aspects of this proposal, for example, is the focus on areas where dustfall may accumulate, or areas that are more sensitive to dustfall? We’ve also highlighted additional research may be required, which may not be amenable to the timeframes requested of QIA to complete the work. Once additional details are provided we will be in a better position to provide an action plan and a timeframe to complete the work.</p>	<p>Baffinland and QIA to set follow up meeting to continue advancing dust related commitments.</p> <p><u>Meeting Minutes</u> Changes to our current monitoring may come out of the model update, however, current SNP/freshet monitoring is already focussed on areas where dust is collected and transported over the snow (both scheduled and opportunistically).</p> <p>BIM requests that QIA provide more information/details regarding how we identify areas for increased freshet monitoring using a desktop study.</p> <p>BIM requires further discussion with QIA to determine the appropriate path forward here.</p> <p>QIA additional commitments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QIA noted that after the updated modeling is completed they would want to see monitoring in place at areas that have longer term dustfall effects.</li> <li>• There was discussion on using the updated modelling and satellite imagery to determine areas of dust accumulation, then having BIMC personnel go out and identify these areas on the ground and then do monitoring during the freshet.</li> <li>• BIMC committed to having a draft of an action plan on this and share it with QIA. Once QIA has provided feedback BIMC will have 30 days to circulate the final plan and action the activities. Noting that the study would be completed in the next year or so and then then monitoring at areas of concern would be in 2025 or 2026</li> </ul>	Compliant	In Progress
052	<p>Baffinland and the TEWG will establish site specific thresholds for conditions that may increase dust dispersion (i.e., wind speed), and corresponding mitigations to implement on days where thresholds are met, which may include, but not limited to, the use of additional dust suppression and operational staged decreased in dust generating site activities.</p> <p>Baffinland will integrate the identified thresholds and response actions into the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #030	Compliant	In Progress

053	<p>Baffinland will include dust fall monitoring station locations within the scope of the annual dust audit, required under term and condition 187</p> <p>Note – Baffinland can confirm that our terrestrial, freshwater and atmospheric monitoring programs are robust and capture effects that occur within a 5km radius of the Project. It should also be noted that modifying sampling locations will impact ability to complete year over year comparison or trending and should only be reserved for extenuating circumstances.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #007	Compliant	In Progress
054	Baffinland will review and confirm alignment of dustfall monitoring with existing vegetation monitoring programs.	The 2022 Terrestrial Environment Monitoring Report confirms alignment between dustfall monitoring and vegetation monitoring programs. Copies of all 2022 marine and terrestrial monitoring reports have been shared with the MEWG and TEWG.	Compliant	Complete
055	<p>Baffinland will work with NRCan on a pilot program to install and test their passive vertical monitors at the Mary River Project.</p> <p>Note – Baffinland and NRCan have already initiated planning for the installation of NRCan owned dust monitors at Mary River. Inuit will be involved in location selection. QIA will be consulted on this program bilaterally and as a member of the Terrestrial Environment Working Group.</p>	Baffinland hosted a site visit by NRCan in April 2023. NRCan is planning a pilot monitoring program in Igloolik, Pond Inlet and Mary River. Further details will be relayed as they are provided to Baffinland by NRCan.	Compliant	In Progress
056	Baffinland will implement continuous monitoring of dustfall at PDA boundaries.	Baffinland is continuing to evaluate the feasibility of installing continuous dustfall monitors at PDA boundaries. Power supply and access are notable barriers that any viable option must overcome. Continuous monitoring for dustfall is occurring within the PDA at the accommodations at both Milne Port and the Mine Site. Baffinland will engage QIA and the Dust Audit Committee on the feasibility study as the results are made available.	Compliant	In Progress
057	<p>Baffinland and QIA agree to meet prior to October 31, 2022, unless otherwise agreed, to hold a dust focused meeting with the objective of establishing a reasonable path forward that satisfies this condition.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “condition” in this Commitment 057 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for</p>	Baffinland and QIA to hold virtual meeting on dust commitments in Fall 2023	Compliant	In Progress

	the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “Finalize methods for bi-weekly regional dustfall extent monitoring using satellite imagery.”			
058	Baffinland will implement other recommendations for dust monitoring improvements contained within the final Dust Audit Report.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #007	Compliant	In Progress
059	<p>Baffinland will reflect all necessary adjustments in the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.</p> <p>For clarity, the referenced “all necessary adjustments” in this Commitment 059 is as stated by QIA in Appendix A to its letter to the Minister of Sept. 26, 2022 titled Re: Confirmation of the adequacy of consultation and accommodation for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation’s (“Baffinland”) 2022 Production Increase Renewal Proposal (“2022 PIP Renewal”) for the Mary River Project, NIRB File 08MN053 as follows: “These improved methods [those outlined in QIA Recommendations ID-22A to QIA ID-22F] will be included in a revised version of the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.”</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #031	Compliant	In Progress
060	Baffinland will review dust controls at all locations where ore is moving or being handled at the mine and port sites for the purpose of determining if additional controls are required.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #036	Compliant	In Progress
061	<p>Baffinland and the TEWG will establish site specific thresholds for conditions that may increase dust dispersion (i.e., wind speed), and corresponding mitigations to implement on days where thresholds are met, which may include, but not limited to, the use of additional dust suppression and operational staged decreased in dust generating site activities.</p> <p>Baffinland will integrate the identified thresholds and response actions into the Air Quality and Noise Abatement Management Plan.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #030	Compliant	In Progress

062	Baffinland commits to explore the feasibility/potential effectiveness of a remote sensing monitoring program for the requested purpose and from the requested perspective. Baffinland will provide the outcome of this exploration to the TEWG once available for discussion at the next planned meeting.	Baffinland and QIA to hold virtual meeting on dust commitments in Fall 2023	Compliant	In Progress
063	The MEWG and TEWG will retain dust as a standing agenda item going forward.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #036	Compliant	In Progress
064a	<p>Baffinland will support and fund a study of North Baffin caribou based on Inuit Qaujimjatuqangit, to be led by the QIA in conjunction with HTOs. This work will be used to identify areas within the vicinity of the Project that are highly sensitive to caribou and to gather data to support the re-estimation of the Zone of Influence around the Project. Once complete, Baffinland and the QIA will re-estimate the Zone of Influence for caribou with input from the TEWG, and determine appropriate mitigation measures to apply in designated Project Protection Zones, including requirements for the suspension of blasting, helicopter overflights, road traffic, and measures to reduce dustfall. Baffinland agrees to implement the revised Caribou Protection Measures upon agreement of the location of Project Protection Zones and the mitigation measures that will apply in these zones. Baffinland also agrees to additional interim measures which shall be developed and will apply until replaced by revised measures as informed by the IQ collection referenced above.</p> <p>Baffinland will resource QIA work associated with this commitment through its funding of the Inuit Stewardship Plan (see QIA-08).</p>	QIA will meet/discuss this payment with Baffinland once the ISP work plan is complete. QIA anticipates this work to overlap with adaptive management work as well.	Compliant	In Progress
064b	<p>Until Project Protection Zones are confirmed through the process identified above, Baffinland agrees to implement additional mitigation measures within interim Project Protection Zones, to be delineated and agreed by Baffinland and QIA (with input from the TEWG) based on existing IQ, western science, historical data, and project monitoring to date. The parties agree development of interim Project Zones shall occur by April 30th, 2023 or a date otherwise agreed upon by the TEWG.</p> <p>a) Blasting restrictions within a specified distance to caribou calving and post-calving habitat during the caribou calving period and immediately post-calving, when caribou are present. This restriction should not apply in a manner that prevents essential mining activities at Deposit No. 1 from occurring within the Mary River Mine Site Project Development Area;</p>	Baffinland provided draft copies of decision hierarchies for helicopters and blasting on September 28, 2023. Until the North Baffin Caribou Study advances, Baffinland is not in a position to finalize the decision hierarchies without understanding the areas and times they will apply, however, Baffinland will implement them on an interim basis.	Compliant	In Progress

	<p>b) Helicopter operation restrictions within a specified horizontal and/or vertical distance to calving and post-calving habitat during the caribou calving period and immediately post-calving, together with heightened measures that will apply when caribou are present. This restriction should not apply in a manner that fetters environmental monitoring and research, unless caribou are present and associated mitigation measures dictate otherwise;</p> <p>c) Revisions to the Caribou Decision Tree, which is used to manage traffic along the Tote Road in the presence of caribou based on their proximity to the road and behaviour (i.e. stationary feeding, moving towards/away from the road). These revisions will include application of a modified Caribou Decision Tree to include decision trees to inform blasting and helicopter operations.</p> <p>Given concerns about current avoidance of the Project area by caribou, Baffinland agrees to work with the TEWG to identify the additional details required to implement the mitigations outlined in bullets a, b and c. For greater clarity, activities carried out to respond to or address urgent matters of health and safety are exempted from the above described interim measures.</p> <p>Baffinland and QIA further agree that the work to advance these interim measures shall be initiated immediately upon approval of the 2022 PIP, and that they be developed and put in place not later than April 30th, 2023 (i.e. prior to the next calving season). If warranted, additional mitigation measures, including avoidance of disturbance during other sensitive periods and restrictions to hauling along the Tote Road during caribou migration, will be determined in collaboration with the MHTO and TEWG as informed by development of the ISP.</p>			
065	<p>Baffinland commits to additional monitoring at representative streams that lead into Phillips Creek along the Tote Road. Baffinland will develop a draft methodology for this additional monitoring by December 31, 2022 for review by QIA and subsequent implementation of the agreed upon program during the 2023 open water season.</p>	<p>Baffinland provided memo to QIA on June 23, 2023. Monitoring program carried out during 2023 field season and will be reported in 2023 Annual Reports to NIRB and NWB.</p>	Compliant	Complete

066	<p>See Response to QIA ID-24A.</p> <p>Additional commitments related to this technical comment include:</p> <p>Baffinland commits to adding additional parameters to its current Tote Road Monitoring Program for two years to understand if [tire residues are] a potential concern at the Project. This will be implemented in consultation with QIA. Baffinland will connect with relevant academics, such as the University of Saskatchewan, to gain further insight into this monitoring.</p>	<p>QIA will meet/discuss this payment with Baffinland once the ISP work plan is complete. QIA anticipates this work to overlap with adaptive management work as well.</p>	Compliant	In Progress
067	<p>Baffinland will update the next revision of the AEMP to include this commitment:</p> <p>any exceedance of the 0.54 mm moderate risk level will trigger additional study to validate the thresholds relative to impacts on arctic char eggs. A low risk threshold of 0.15 mm will also be applied that will trigger corresponding low risk response actions.</p> <p>This commitment will be implemented immediately under the current operation.</p>	<p>Baffinland is awaiting comments and/or approval from NWB in relation to Rev 2 of the AEMP. Once the Plan is released Baffinland will make the committed revision to the TARP table.</p> <p>SOP commitment FE-3 requires an updated AEMP be submitted to QIA by January 31, 2024:</p> <p>Baffinland commits to provide, by January 31, 2024 updated versions to NIRB and all Parties the Fresh Water Supply, Sewage and Wastewater Management Plan, the Snow Management Plan, and the Aquatic Effects Management Plan with Trigger Action Response Plan components.</p>	Compliant	In Progress

068	<p>Baffinland agrees the NIRB Project Certificate 005 Terms and Condition shall be amended to include a new Term and Condition for Hunters' Access Route(s) according to the wording provided in Appendix B.</p>	<p>On September 22, 2022 Baffinland submitted to QIA a final copy of the joint recommended Terms and Conditions and Commitments that both parties had agreed to in order to secure QIA's support for the approval of the Production Increase Proposal Renewal. This submission included draft new Term and Condition, which was designed to satisfy Baffinlands commitment to QIA ID-25. On November 3, 2022 the NIRB released Project Certificate 005, Amendment No 004, inclusive of the jointly recommended new Term and Condition 186.</p> <p>Update for information purposes only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• February 17, 2023, Baffinland met directly with the MHTO in Pond Inlet to re-engage on the proposed km 13 works; the outcome was that Baffinland would send an official request to the MHTO to identify the proposed route with GPS waypoints and confirm Baffinland would pay honoraria.</li> <li>• March 30, 2023, Baffinland issued official request to MHTO as described above</li> <li>• May 26, 2023, Baffinland met directly with the MHTO in Pond Inlet to discuss multiple items, including the February 17 and March 30 request to provide waypoints confirming the km 13 works; MHTO agreed to meet with Baffinland representatives on May 31, 2023 to identify the location and scope of proposed works</li> <li>• May 31, 2023 the MHTO and Baffinland staff visited the km 13 area and identified the location and scope of proposed works, including waypoints and a description of required works by sub-sections</li> <li>• July 17 Baffinland shared a summary of the May 31, 2023 MHTO Site Visit with the QIA</li> </ul>	Compliant	Complete
069	<p>That Baffinland and QIA undertake to, no later than January 31, 2023:</p> <p>a) Amend the IIBA (2018) to include Inuit Certainty Agreement Schedule "C".</p> <p>b) Amend the WCA (2013) consistent with ID-17 Section 17.1.5(a), (b), (c), (d) and (f) of the Inuit Certainty Agreement.</p> <p>In order to address ongoing concerns regarding difficulties Inuit are experiencing in accessing wildlife compensation funding, Baffinland and QIA will work together to review and address the working and efficacy of the administration of the Wildlife Compensation Fund. The Parties will implement changes to the protocol, including</p>	<p>On December 9, 2022 Baffinland provided a revised draft Mary River Inuit Impact Benefit Agreement (IIBA) to QIA. On March 15, 2023 Baffinland provided a revised draft Water Compensation Agreement. Baffinland and QIA are working to agree to a revised timeline to complete final edits to the IIBA and WCA.</p>	Compliant	In Progress

	claims procedure and substantive criteria, all intended to improve Inuit access to the Wildlife Compensation Fund.			
070	<p>That Baffinland agrees to a process to amend the Inuit Impact Benefit Agreement to implement changes to Project Management, Adaptive Management Plan, Benefits and oversight as agreed in all relevant commitments in this document including but not limited to QIA-ID- 4, QIA-ID-7, QIA-ID-8, QIA-ID-9, QIA-ID 26 and QIA-ID-29.</p> <p>This commitment will be complete once incorporated in the amended IIBA and no further reporting under the Project Certificate on this item will be required after that time.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #069	Compliant	In Progress
072	<p>Baffinland accepts QIA proposal on Measurable Objectives pertaining to the June 2020 ICA commitments which provides objectives for measuring IIBA implementation performance. The 16 Measurable Objectives topics that have been agreed to include: MIEG Reporting; Inuit Career Mobility Strategy Objective; IIBA Orientation Package Objective; New Hire Objective; Vacancies Objective; Career Mobility Objective; Inuit Opportunities Objective; PIF Objective; Contracting Reporting Objective; Workshops and Assistance Objective; Education and Training Spend Objective; Inuit Societal Values Objective; Monthly Reporting Objective; Inuit Content Objective; Inuit Firm Awareness Objective; and Emergency Shelter Objective.</p> <p>This commitment will be complete once incorporated in the amended IIBA and no further reporting under the Project Certificate on this item will be required after that time.</p>	See response to Appendix B Commitment #069	Compliant	In Progress
074	Baffinland commits to incorporating IQ and scientific knowledge in monitoring.	Baffinland submitted draft management plans to NIRB on May 15, 2023, inclusive of those requiring agreement with QIA regarding identified adaptive management elements. Copies provided to QIA on May 18, 2023. This includes a copy of the revised IQ Framework.	Compliant	Complete
075	Baffinland commits to continue to work towards the completion of a caribou research agreement and data sharing agreement in support of regional caribou monitoring initiatives for the current project.	Baffinland and the GN signed a final copy of a data sharing agreement in April 2023. A caribou research agreement is still in draft. Baffinland will provide an updated timeline to complete the caribou research agreement as they are received.	Compliant	Complete

075	Baffinland commits to including an agenda item on the next TEWG meeting agenda as a placeholder for the GN to provide their clarifications on items requested in GN-1 and for Baffinland to respond. Baffinland will provide the NIRB a record of meeting minutes and resolution on this agenda item in the 2022 NIRB annual monitoring report.	On January 10, 2023 Baffinland offered, via email, the GN representative to the Terrestrial Environment Working Group (TEWG) an opportunity to present on the subject outlined in Commitment 075 at the February 14, 2023 in person meeting in Ottawa, Ontario. The GN representative did not request time in the agenda to discuss this subject and Baffinland considers this commitment closed.	Compliant	Complete
077	Baffinland confirms its commitment to continue with existing marine mammal monitoring programs and to continue to progress its approach towards adaptive management.	Baffinland submitted draft management plans to NIRB on May 15, 2023, inclusive of those requiring agreement with QIA regarding identified adaptive management elements. Copies provided to QIA on May 18, 2023. This includes a copy of the revised Marine Monitoring Plan.	Compliant	Complete
078	Baffinland proposes to hold a special meeting of the MEWG to identify, evaluate, and select additional adaptive management indicators, thresholds, and responses to integrate into a final MMP to apply should there be a 2023 shipping season and beyond. To prepare for this meeting, Baffinland requests that any Member proposals on adaptive management indicators and thresholds (EWIs) provide detailed written recommendations, including available baseline data, sampling methodology to ensure statistical power in comparing yearly collected data to baseline data, and proposed thresholds for identifying change.	See response to Appendix B Commitment #077	Compliant	In Progress
079	<p>Baffinland will continue to work with DFO and other qualified external experts regarding Marenzelleria specimens recorded in the Project area, and specifically on the identification of Marenzelleria wireni and Marenzelleria arctica, to determine source of origin.</p> <p>This commitment applies to future specimens, if found.</p> <p>Baffinland proposes that it continue to conduct genetic barcoding on aquatic samples and DFO conduct population genetic analysis as a complementary monitoring measure to Baffinland’s ongoing genetic barcoding on aquatic samples.</p>	The 2022 Marine Environmental Effects Monitoring Program Report contains updates on monitoring of potentially non-indigenous and invasive species. Discussions regarding Marenzelleria sp. Are included in that report. Copies of all 2022 marine and terrestrial monitoring reports have been shared with the MEWG and TEWG.	Compliant	In Progress