



NOTICE OF SCREENING

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 24YN012

Project Name: The “OPP 2.0 Baseline Shoreline Mapping 2024” project
Proponent Name: Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)
Project Type: Research Region: Kitikmeot, Kivalliq and Qikiqtani (South Baffin) Regions
Public Registry: www.nirb.ca Application No.: 125884
Comment Deadline: **April 3, 2024**

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed “OPP 2.0 Baseline Shoreline Mapping 2024” project is located within the Kitikmeot, Kivalliq and Qikiqtani (South Baffin) Regions, Southern Bathurst Inlet, and within the municipal boundaries of the communities of: Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet, Chesterfield Inlet and Baker Lake. The Proponent intends to collect information to help emergency responders plan and prepare for potential marine pollution incidents. The program is proposed to take place from June 2024 to September 2024. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- First set of surveys based out of Cambridge Bay and Bathurst Inlet, second set based out of Iqaluit and a Canadian Coast Guard vessel, third set based out of Rankin Inlet and a Canadian Coast Guard vessel;
- Use of a helicopter to conduct low-altitude surveys at study sites;
- Refueling to take place within communities; and
- Temporary fuel cache at Bathurst Inlet to support refueling during helicopter surveys;

Please visit the NIRB’s public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **24YN012** 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 Mia Otokiak, Technical Advisor I at (867) 983-4622 or motokiak@nirb.ca.