



CIRNAC Comments to NIRB

Re: Notice of Screening for Canadian Wildlife
Service's "Hantzsch Island Thick-Billed Murre
Surveys" Project Proposal



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via NIRB public registry

Re: Notice of Screening and Comment Request for Canadian Wildlife Service's "Hantzsch Island Thick-Billed Murre Surveys" Project Proposal

Dear Francis Emingak,

On March 7, 2024, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on Canadian Wildlife Service's "Hantzsch Island Thick-Billed Murre Surveys" project proposal. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) has reviewed the project proposal and related documents, and offers the response below as it pertains to the NIRB's request.

Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Consultation with Interested Parties

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent consult with relevant Inuit and wildlife management organizations, including the Amaruq Hunters and Trappers Organization of Iqaluit and the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board, to seek their input on the proposed activities.

As part of any consultation activities, several issues should be considered, including, but not limited to:

- Incorporation of Inuit Qauijimajatuqangit into project activities;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent any disturbance to wildlife and the environment;
- The experience of community members who participate in traditional and non-traditional activities within, or in close proximity to, the project area;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent disturbance to sites with cultural, archaeological, and/or environmental significance;
- Training and employment opportunities for Inuit and community members;
- Procurement opportunities for local and Inuit-owned businesses; and
- Regular updates on the status of project activities.



CIRNAC looks forward to working with the NIRB throughout any further review phases related to this project. Should you have any questions, please contact Courtney White by e-mail at courtney.white@cirnac-rcaanc.gc.ca, or David Abernethy at david.abernethy@rcaanc-cirnac.ca.

Sincerely,



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