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Dear Cassel Kapolak, Mosha Cote, Luis Manzo, Jared Ottenhof, Wynter Kuliktana, Carson Gillis, and Valerie Wynja:

RE: NPC File No. 150450 [OPP 2.0 Baseline Shoreline Mapping 2024]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Scientific research to characterize shorelines to help emergency responders plan and prepare for potential marine pollution incidents. A pre-spill shoreline dataset includes baseline coastal information such as the shoreline type and form, the substrate, and vegetation type.
 - a. To collect key shoreline information, low-altitude helicopter overflights are conducted at the study sites to capture geotagged video and photos of the shoreline characteristics.
2. Modifications to the previously amended project proposal:
 - a. Removal of sampling area near Bathurst Inlet

- b. Addition of survey area near Resolute Bay (previously screened)
- c. Change in survey dates for Rankin Inlet
3. Associated NPC File Nos.: 149937, 150122, and 150247; Associated NIRB File Nos.: 23YN025 and 24YN012
4. Location: Qikiqtani and Kivalliq Regions; [Prince Regent Inlet near Resolute Bay, Frobisher Bay near Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet, Chesterfield Inlet, and part of Baker Lake]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) can be accessed online using the link below.

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal and conformity determination was issued on 9 February 2024, which still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board, including aerial surveys (NIRB File No.: 24YN012). It conforms to both the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan and the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP and NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendices C, G, and H of the KRLUP and Appendices C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the proposed modifications do not change the general scope of the previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the *Nunavut Agreement* do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address: <https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150450>.

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA)* to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the *NuPPAA*.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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