



COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. To assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project proposal, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project proposal application:

Project Proposal Title: Arctic kelp forests and seaweed biodiversity			
Proponent: Canadian Museum of Nature			
Location: Cambridge Bay			
Comments Due By: June 3, 2026	NIRB #: 26YN007		
<p>Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <input type="checkbox"/> no concerns <input type="checkbox"/> water quality <input type="checkbox"/> terrain <input type="checkbox"/> air quality <input type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <input type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities <input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation <input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area <input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area <input type="checkbox"/> human health issues <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ </td> </tr> </table>		<input type="checkbox"/> no concerns <input type="checkbox"/> water quality <input type="checkbox"/> terrain <input type="checkbox"/> air quality <input type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat <input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area	<input type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities <input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation <input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area <input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area <input type="checkbox"/> human health issues <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
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<p>Please describe the concerns indicated above:</p> <p>The Canadian Museum of Nature’s project for Arctic Kelp Forests and Seaweed Biodiversity, File Number 26YN007, discusses the assessment and potential collection of fish and invertebrates, but has not yet applied for a Licence to Fish for Scientific Purposes (LFSP) and Animal Use Protocol (AUP) for the project.</p>			
<p>Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?</p> <p>Based on the project description and scientific assessments of fish, a LFSP and AUP may be needed for the project. DFO recommends the project review the Guidelines for a Licence to Fish for Scientific Purposes Application and send the application to Arctic Region Permitting (DFO.ArcticLicensing-PermisArctique.MPO@dfo-mpo.gc.ca).</p>			
<p>Do you support the project proposal? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Any additional comments?</p>			
<p>Name of person commenting: Sarah Pakozdi of Yellowknife, NT</p>			
Position: Biologist	Organization: Fisheries and Oceans		
Signature: _____	Date: June 1, 2026		