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: Temporal Monitoring of Arctic Kelp Forests
Proponent: Université Laval
Location: Qikiqtarjuaq Region
Comments Due By: June 10, 2026 **NIRB #:** 26YN039

Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:

- ☐ no concerns
- ☐ water quality
- ☐ terrain
- ☐ air quality
- ☐ wildlife and their habitat
- ☐ marine mammals and their habitat
- ☐ birds and their habitat
- ☒ fish and their habitat
- ☐ heritage resources in area
- ☐ traditional uses of land
- ☐ Inuit harvesting activities
- ☐ community involvement and consultation
- ☐ local development in the area
- ☐ tourism in the area
- ☐ human health issues
- ☐ other:_____

Please describe the concerns indicated above:

The Temporal Monitoring of Arctic Kelp Forests, Scientific Research Project, File Number 26YN039, discusses the assessment and potential collection of various invertebrate populations but does not confirm under Regulatory Authority if the project has applied for Licence to Fish for Scientific Purposes (LFSP) and Animal Use Protocol (AUP) for the project.

Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?

Based on the project description and scientific assessments of fish/invertebrates, 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)

Do you support the project proposal? Yes ☒ No ☐ Any additional comments?

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