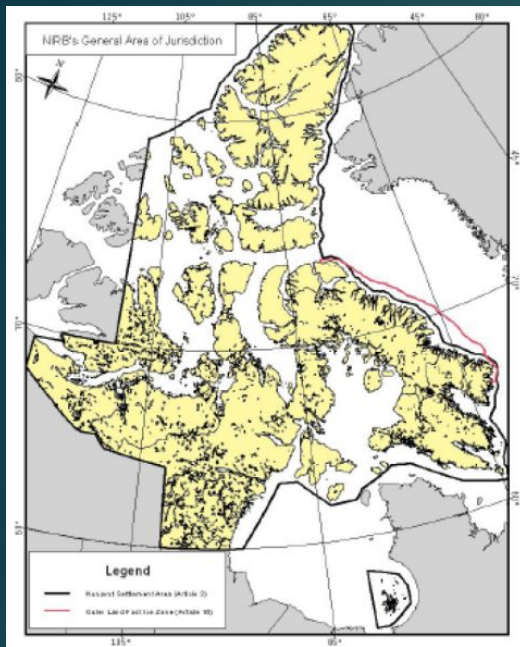


Land and Resources Management



Overview

- Nunavut Agreement - 5 Institutions of Public Government; additional legislation to make the agreement law

Participation of Inuit in process is required

- Board largely made up of Inuit appointed by various agencies
- Community members are the focus of discussion (community roundtables)
- Concerns with project and its design addressed through the processes (screening/review/monitoring/reconsideration)

Consultation expected early

Transparency of process

- Record of consultation
- Link conclusions in decisions

Jurisdiction

- Nunavut Settlement Area and Outer Land Fast Ice Zone
- Transboundary Impacts

NuPPAA

The image shows the front cover of the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA). At the top center is the coat of arms of Nunavut. Below it, the word 'CONSOLIDATION' is on the left and 'CODIFICATION' is on the right. The main title is 'Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act' on the left and 'Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire et l'évaluation des projets au Nunavut' on the right. Below the titles, the statute numbers are given: 'S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2' and 'L.C. 2013, ch. 14, art. 2'. There are two 'NOTE' boxes, one in French and one in English, stating that the act is amended by section 2 of chapter 14 of the Statutes of Canada, 2013, and that the act is not yet in force. At the bottom, the date 'Current to March 14, 2014' and 'À jour au 14 mars 2014' are provided. The publisher information is also present at the bottom.

- ▶ Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA)
- ▶ Project proposals submitted directly to the Commission (“one-window approach”)
- ▶ Public registry requirements
- ▶ Language, privacy, access to information requirements
- ▶ Timeline for Commission conformity review
- ▶ Timelines for Ministerial Decisions
- ▶ Enforcement provisions



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Commission d'Aménagement du Nunavut



- ▶ Under NuPPAA:
 - ▶ The Commission will act as as the one window into the regulatory system
 - ▶ NIRB responsible for negotiating screening exemption agreements with Government for low-impact project types
 - ▶ The Commission responsible for verifying whether project proposals are of a project type exempt from the requirement for screening
 - ▶ NPC can refer normally exempt proposals to NIRB for screening where there is a cumulative effects concern
- ▶ Definition of “project” under NuPPAA and “project proposal” under the Nunavut Agreement were not consistent, creating implementation challenges



- ▶ Coordination Agreement for Municipal Type A Water Licences
- ▶ Detailed Coordinated Process Framework for major development projects
 - ▶ Initiate consideration of Type A Water Licence Application concurrently with NIRB Review of Impact Statement
 - ▶ Detailed plans submitted earlier by proponent, shorter overall IA/Licensing timeline
 - ▶ Greater potential for application for proposed Amendments to major development projects

Who is the NIRB and What Does NIRB Do?



Identify scope and area affected



Review changes to the biophysical and socio-economic impacts



Decide if project should proceed or not



Develop conditions to mitigate and monitor project



Monitor approved projects

Balancing understanding provided by both scientific and traditional knowledge

- Frustration with taking it out of context
- Interest in how it's used now

Community Roundtable procedures

- Representatives from each potentially impacted community
- Elders heard when ready to speak

NIRB
Decision

Board functions in respect of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit principles

- Respecting others, inclusive decision making, consensus decision making, respecting the integrity of the land and environment

Assessments involve community members both Inuit and neighboring groups

- **Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit:** a morality that is the base for Inuit existence. It is the belief system at the core of Inuit identity and governs Inuit society.
- **Inuit Qaujimaningit:** what Inuit know and a collective knowledge that is more recent in nature. It can be related to Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit that has evolved or changed in recent times.



How Scientific and Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit perspectives inform each other



Inform ongoing use and development of proposals

- All-weather Access Roads - Companies using previous trails and hunting routes to establish mining roads

Both scientific and traditional knowledge used to design project and frame impacts

- Tailings facility - Expectation for companies to design project to address community concerns or incorporation of feedback prior to submitting applications to regulators
- Communities pressuring proponents to make meaningful conclusions in their impact statements through community consultation, not just note Traditional Knowledge then give scientific conclusion

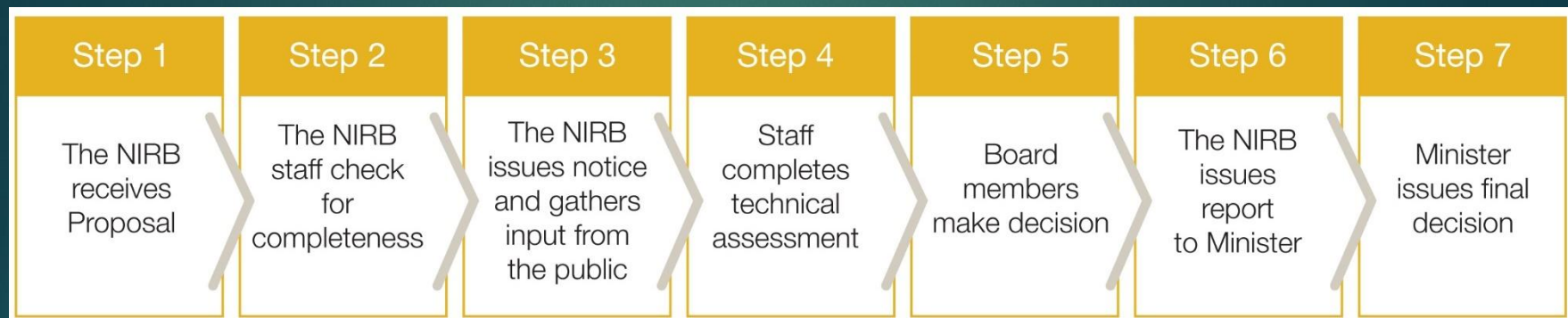
Benefits clear to communities

- Regional benefits vs individual experience
- Accountability and expectations of Inuit organizations
- Progressive Development becoming issue and perception that additional changes mean we didn't get it right the first time

Effectiveness of Monitoring (HTO and Community)

- Assist with tracking compliance issues
- Perception of changes and how to track source of changes

NIRB Screening



- ▶ The Screening Process asks:
 - ▶ Does the project proposal have the potential to result in significance or socio-economic impacts?
 - ▶ Is a review required?
 - ▶ Will the project proposal result in unacceptable impacts?

Online Resources

- ▶ Online Public Registry – additional development underway
- ▶ Coordination with NPC/NWB sites planned and implemented

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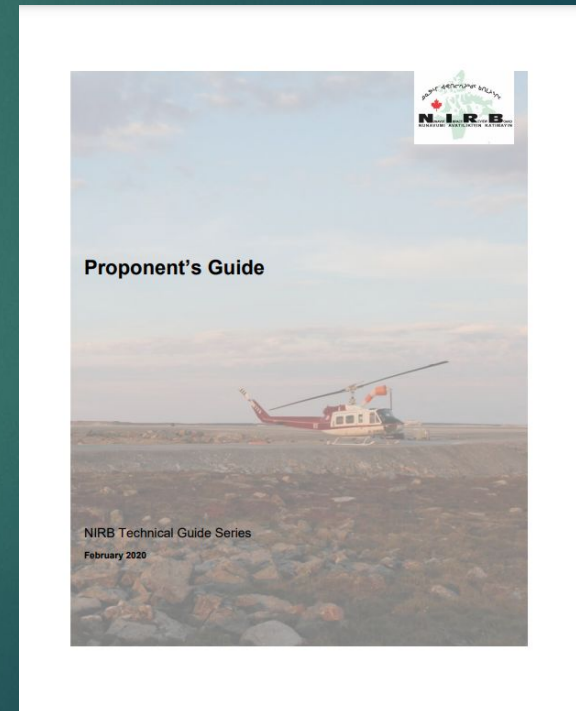
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2022-05-06	22UN018 Sirmilik National Park radio repeater operations at Paquet Bay & Cape W old	6

The 'EVENTS CALENDAR' section highlights two events:

- April 12, 2022:** Monitoring. The N.I.R.B. received the Annual Reports and released a Comment Request for the following Monitoring projects: Mary River, Back River, Meladina, and Doris North/Phase 2 Hope Bay Det.
- March 2, 2022:** Monitoring. N.I.R.B. issued the Meladina Saline Effluent Discharge to the Marine.

Public Guides

- ▶ Plain Language Public Guides
- ▶ Technical Guides for Proponents, Intervenors and Authorizing Agencies, Terminology Guide, Process Maps



Other Items

- ▶ Screening Exemption Agreements
 - ▶ Agreements with Parks Canada, GN – Culture & Heritage, GN – Environment
- ▶ Rules of Procedure require updating
 - ▶ Full consultation process planned
- ▶ Development of Standardized IS Guidelines under consideration
 - ▶ Would allow for entering regulatory process with Draft IS

NIRB Process Consistent

NIRB is here for the Long Haul

- ▶ Precautionary approach and adaptive management techniques critical to impact assessments
- ▶ Improve communication of how Inuit and Traditional knowledge informs the NIRB process and what we hear from the Public
 - ▶ Highlights Document with major decisions
- ▶ Ensure good working relationships and improve coordination wherever possible

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