

Summary of Comments from Qikiqtarjuaq and Clyde River
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Category	Summary of comments	Summary Project Action on Comments
Communications	Communities want the projects to help address a variety of issues beyond technical	Develop and share communications plans toward continuous improvement with the communities. Work toward addressing language gaps and increased community involvement
Business opportunities	Communities expect more financial benefits from near-by opportunities	Implement a contracting process which increases the credibility of the project with the communities
Work expectations	Communities members are looking for more opportunities of meaningful involvement	Address through the contracting process and training plans.
Health & Safety	Heath and safety training and management process are a concern	Ensure Health & Safety training and work plan expectations are identified and monitored for effectiveness.
Environment	There is broad interest and knowledge in the environmental area, and a desire to understand and contribute	Continue to track and respond to environmental issues on a timely basis and in the application
Wastes mgmt.	Wastes management, particularly landfill location and integrity is a major concern	Address in the work plan and application

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2	Qikiqtarjuaq	In Cape Hooper the plastic has a lot of holes and materials are seeping. We don't want to see that. I have seen first hand what has happened in Cape Hooper. There were lots of wastes, sewage and the sort. We will definitely have to be very careful as to choosing landfills as the top covering tends to either erode or wear away due to the climate.	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
3	Qikiqtarjuaq	we have never seen a sub-contractor from here.	Business opportunities	Contracting Process
4	Qikiqtarjuaq	A: (Brad) Yes, and we will design them so all run-off is away from them so they won't erode and their integrity is maintained. There are also a number of locations and we look forward to your input on which location would be best.	Wastes mgmt.	Discussed and completed
6	Qikiqtarjuaq	As for the Inuit employment, there is no need for Inuit to be told that they're not good enough. They need to begiven the same opportunity for jobs/contracts as non-Inuit. We need to find solutions for that.	Business opportunities	Contracting Process
7	Qikiqtarjuaq	As for the Inuit employment...They need to be trained properly We need to find solutions for that.	Work expectations	Training
8	Qikiqtarjuaq	But there are lots of complaints and they are short workers, is it going to be the same? They have been treating us very bad.	Communications	Communications plan-annual review
9	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Contractors here in the settlement aren't being employed.	Business opportunities	Contracting Process
10	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: I am also thankful that you are informing us and I hope that it will go well. I miss the DEW line site because I used to drive equipment there. I'm looking forward to the opportunities that might arise out of this.	Communications	Awareness
11	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: I am just glad that we are being shown the results, especially the contaminants that were assessed.	Communications	Awareness
12	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: I am thankful that the clean up is starting. The hunters use the site for shelter and for building materials for making shelter. I am thankful.	Communications	Awareness
13	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Last summer the contractors were hardly ever accompanied by Inuit, or vice-versa, at the site (Qikiqtarjuaq) . As a result, Inuit couldn't enter the site even when they'd been previously hired to work there.	Communications	Communications plan- site inspections
14	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Thank you again for coming and informing us. Thanks to those that came last summer to begin the initial work and they did quite a bit as we have seen in the pictures during the presentation. They were only here for a short time this summer, but they got a lot of work done. We now know that the remediation has started.	Communications	Awareness
15	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Thank you for answering all my questions. You answered all of my questions, thank you.	Communications	Awareness
16	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Thank you for coming here - I hope your ears are open this time.	Communications	Awareness
17	Clyde River	Comment: Thank you for putting away those barrels and metals so I don't see them anymore.	Communications	aware
18	Clyde River	Comment: Thank you for this information and keeping us updated.	Communications	aware
19	Clyde River	Comment: Thank you. I just want to say that earlier you said you have to follow rules. If these rules suggest that you have to have holes, I suggest that we don't have landfills.	Communications	
20	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: Thanks, our land is being reclaimed. The fish is often considered to be in a hazardous state, especially by hunters. It is a pity that we have contaminated sites in our land, but I'm glad they are being cleaned up.	Communications	Awareness
21	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: That isn't working. Those meetings already happen. People say what they have problems with and they say they will fix our complaints. But they never do, these meetings always happen but it is only talk.	Health & Safety	Training
22	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: The proposed landfills are in an ideal area, at least for non-hazardous materials when we take into consideration the possible erosion that might take place. At least I think they are.	Environment	Work plan
23	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: The sites could be used for non-hazardous waste. I do not want a landfill for hazardous materials to be near the lake or any lake for that matter.	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
24	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: What you are trying to do is a good thing, but it is taking way too long. The study should've been done long ago and the work started already.	Communications	Awareness
25	Qikiqtarjuaq	Comment: When the station was closed in 1963, I went there and everything was abandoned. Food, equipment, everything. It wasn't dirty or contaminated. It looked pretty pristine to me at the time. How did it ever become so contaminated? It took a long time of leaving it there to finally be cleaned up.	Communications	Awareness
26	Qikiqtarjuaq	I have seen these proposed locations. They are in the best spot - I have been there.	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan

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27	Qikiqtarjuaq	I want better things going in this community for the workers. It seems like you guys are the ones to talk to about the project. We want better for the workers.	Communications	Communications plan-annual review
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29	Clyde River	Q: At Cape Hooper these holes were metal pipes that went right down to the permafrost to monitor.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
30	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Contaminants are everywhere. This is where we live, where we eat, where we grew up. It is all contaminated. We need to have those responsible for contamination our land come to us and apologize for the wrong they did to us. Maybe you are in a position to talk to them and get an apology for us.	Communications	Awareness
31	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Contaminants cleaned up in Cape Hooper are still sitting there. What are you doing with that?	Communications	Discussed and completed
32	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Did you check the bottom of the lake for contaminants?	Environment	Work plan
33	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Did you take any samples of snow in the spring or in the fall?	Environment	Discussed and completed
34	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Did you take any samples of the glacier?	Environment	Discussed and completed
35	Clyde River	Q: Do you have to be male in order to work in a place like that?	Communications	PR
36	Clyde River	Q: Has climate change been considered in planning in case the permafrost melts?	Environment	work plan
37	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: How is the contamination going to be excavated? By machine or by people?	Work expectations	Discussed and completed
38	Clyde River	Q: How long will the landfills be monitored?	Work expectations	work plan
39	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: How many landfills have been proposed and where?	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
40	Clyde River	Q: How soon can we have training?	Health & Safety	Training
41	Clyde River	Q: I am concerned that the fish will be affected.	Environment	work plan
42	Clyde River	Q: I ask because it has been on the news that the landfill at Cape Hooper has contaminants out of it.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
43	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: I don't approve of the middle landfill, near the lake.	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
44	Clyde River	Q: If there is going to be a leak in 200 or 300 years we want it to be somewhere else (jokingly).	Environment	PR
45	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Is it falling off the cliff? Is it going in the water?	Environment	Discussed and completed
46	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Is the landfill you have selected safe from erosion?	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan landfill design and application
47	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Is the material for the landfill safe?	Health & Safety	Training
48	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: It is because it is near a lake and earth is always moving and I am worried about 15 – 20 years from now.	Environment	Discussed and completed
49	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: My question was that there was a glacier in that area, and it is melting, so have you taken any samples?	Environment	Discussed and completed
50	Clyde River	Q: PCBs are PCBs. They are still dangerous.	Health & Safety	Training
51	Clyde River	Q: Remember how you mentioned where the roads are washed out? I am worried that the landfills may be washed out. Because when we looked at the picture, it seemed like this could easily happen at the Mid-Station. Imagine in 100 years from now.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
52	Clyde River	Q: Remember when you said some barrels are leaking, how far is that from the permafrost and how will it affect the area?	Environment	work plan
53	Clyde River	Q: Some people in Qikiqtarjuaq were upset that some of the landfills were being exposed. I am concerned that something like this might happen.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
54	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Thank you for coming. Once a contractor was hired and they did not have a good relationship with the local people.	Communications	Communications plan-annual review
55	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: The level of PCB contaminated soil – how high is it at FOX C?	Environment	Discussed and completed
56	Clyde River	Q: The low substance contaminants – how low can it be? Shouldn't we ship it all out?	Environment	applications
57	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: The reason I ask is there is always erosion up here. I know there will be monitoring, but is the equipment reliable or "hi-tech"?	Wastes mgmt.	Discussed and completed
58	Clyde River	Q: The reason why I ask is that there are fish in the lake there. I have been there and I know there is fish. I am concerned that the landfill will be close to the lake.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
59	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: There are a lot of barrels strewn about on the site that will need to be disposed of, are you going to crush them?	Wastes mgmt.	Discussed and completed

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60	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: There is another site that isn't on the maps. There is a large door that can't be opened – maybe it will be part of the clean-up?	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
61	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: These are just proposed areas?	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
62	Clyde River	Q: This is FOX C and there are buildings. There are fish here, so I don't know where you can put a landfill.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
63	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Those PCBs and the lead – is that really bad? Is it going on the river, on the lake, on the ocean?	Environment	Discussed and completed
64	Clyde River	Q: Was it fuel in the barrels before?	Environment	discussed and closed
65	Clyde River	Q: We want it to be well away from the lake. We want to be sure the lake won't be affected.	Environment	work plan
66	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: We were told last time that everything would be done right and it wasn't. It was all just dumped into a landfill – we need to make sure it is completely dry before it is used to cover the landfill.	Wastes mgmt.	Work plan
67	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: We were told the same thing by the people working at the other sites.	Communications	Identify issues and plan an Annual Review of performance
68	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Were these photos and this work from this summer?	Communications	Discussed and completed
69	Clyde River	Q: What about that one dump site in a very steep area – the contaminants are going into the ocean	Environment	address in application
70	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: What company?	Business opportunities	Discussed and completed
71	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: What is the distance to the lake?	Wastes mgmt.	Discussed and completed
72	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: When excavating contaminated soil, does it enter the air or does it stay on the ground?	Health & Safety	Training
73	Clyde River	Q: When you start doing the landfill you say you are lining the bottom. I want a liner on the top, too.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
74	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Where are you from?	Communications	Discussed and completed
75	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Who is doing the clean up work at FOX-C?	Work expectations	Discussed and completed
76	Clyde River	Q: With my last comment about the landfill in Cape Hooper, they put the in the debris and then put some holes, then more soil. Then stuff started coming out.	Wastes mgmt.	work plan
77	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Work is being done on DEW Line sites, but it is not up to date because I know there are still contaminants there.	Communications	
78	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: Would the equipment needed to clean up the site be brought there by boat?	Business opportunities	Discussed and completed
79	Clyde River	Q: You mentioned earlier that we can help decide where the landfills go. Can we still decide together?	Communications	PR
80	Qikiqtarjuaq	Q: You said earlier that lead and PCBs were moving off the site – how bad is that?	Environment	Discussed and completed
81	Clyde River	Q: You said you will be using a local workforce. Will they be exposed to contaminants and be affected?	Health & Safety	Training
82	Clyde River	Q: You say you have rules to follow. How much can I be involved in those rules?	Communications	pr
83	Clyde River	Q: You were here last year and you are here again. But you never seem to hire anyone from the community. I wonder why.	Work expectations	Contracting process
84	Qikiqtarjuaq	Talking about contractors – it is all up to them to hire whoever they want so when it comes to the tendering process, they might say that they'll hire X number of Inuit to increase their chances of winning the contract. Once they do get the contract no Inuit are hired. That is exactly what has been happening here.	Work expectations	Contracting Process
85	Qikiqtarjuaq	There needs to be more Inuit involvement in every aspect of the process but none are involved. You continuously say that Inuit will be more involved but that never happens.	Communications	Communications plan-annual review
86	Qikiqtarjuaq	We will need to cooperate more.	Communications	communications plan - annual review
87	Qikiqtarjuaq	You have been here asking how you can make it better for us, but you are just saying it, it never happens.	Communications	Communications plan-annual review