

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:		Disposal at Sea of Dredged Sediments, Pangnirtung Fjord	
Proponent:	Public Works and Government Services Canada		
Location:	Pangnirtung Fjord		
Comments Due By:	February 18, 2011	NIRB #:	09UN052

Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:

<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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Please describe the concerns indicated above:
 Assessed the impact of deposited the dredged materials on fish and fish habitat in the Pangnirtung Fiord at the disposal site.

Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?
 No.

Do you support the project proposal? Yes ☒ No ☐ Any additional comments?
 Fisheries and Oceans has determined that this proposal is low risk to fish and fish habitat as proposed.

Name of person commenting: Georgina Williston **of** _____
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Signature: Georgina Williston **Date:** February 15, 2011



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Your file *Votre référence*
NIRB File No. 09UN052

Our file *Notre référence*
NU-09-0003/NU-10-0033

Dear Ms. Arko:

Subject: Part 4 Screening for Public Works and Government Services Canada's
"Disposal at Sea Permit" project proposal.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada - Fish Habitat Management Program (DFO) appreciates the opportunity to participate in the Part 4 Screening process for the above mentioned project proposal as requested by you in your January 29, 2011 letter. To expedite future correspondence or inquiries, please refer to the referral title and file numbers when you contact us.

DFO File No.: **10-HCAA-CA7-00033**

Title: **Harbour, Pangnirtung Fjord, Pangnirtung, Nunavut**

The proposal has been reviewed to determine whether it is likely to result in impacts to fish and fish habitat which are prohibited by the habitat protection provisions of the *Fisheries Act* or those prohibitions of the *Species at Risk Act* that apply to aquatic species.*

Our review consisted of:

- Disposal at Sea Permit Application, Dredged Marine Sediments, Pangnirtung Fjord, Nunavut. Prepared by AMEC Earth and Environmental, A Division of AMEC Americas Limited. 1868 Boulevard des Sources, Suite 400 Pointe Claire (Montreal), Quebec. December 2010.

We understand that the proponent plans to;

- Dispose of dredged marine sediments in the Pangnirtung Fjord in order to facilitate development of the Pangnirtung Harbour.

*Those sections most relevant to the review of development proposals include 20, 22, 32 and 35 of the *Fisheries Act* and sections 32, 33 and 58 of the *Species at Risk Act*. For more information please visit www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca.

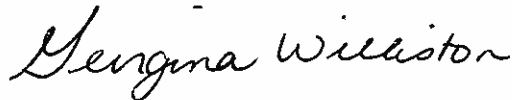
- Approximately 110, 000m² of fish habitat will be impacted by the disposal of the dredged marine sediments.

Provided that the plans are implemented as described DFO has concluded that the proposal is not likely to result in impacts to fish and fish habitat.

The proponent will not need to obtain a formal approval from DFO in order to proceed with the proposal.

I trust that the information provided will be of assistance in the Nunavut Impact Review Board's review of Public Works and Government Services Canada's "Disposal at Sea Permit" project proposal. If you or the proponent have any questions concerning the above or if my understanding of the proposal is either incorrect, incomplete or if there are changes to the proposed work please contact the undersigned at (613) 925-2865 ext. 131, by fax at (613) 925-2245, or by email at Georgina.Williston@dfo-mpo.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,



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