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RE: File No. NWB4ARV/TR- Water License Application

Dear Jim,

In response to the comments from the reviewers, I would like to express the following issues:

1. Most areas of the community have been constructed where bodies of water once existed. Once the material has settled for at least a year or two, these new lands should be stable enough for occupation.
2. Once a culvert is placed to drain to the other side of the road, problems with the drainage should be solved in the area. This way it will take less work for creating drainage ditches and drain far from any fish habitat.
3. The pond is located right in town and considered not used for migratory birds since it is dry most of the summer.
4. This area is all that is left for land development in the immediate vicinity of Arviat. We can not develop to the west due to possible encroachment to the obstacle limitation for the airport, the area to the east is clay and silt resulting in unstable grounds and our last option is to develop in this area of the water license application. This area is also limited to meet the 450 metres setback from a waste disposal site.
5. Our next location for new lands will be across the bay, which is about a mile away and would not be ready for at least 3 years. This process may require study of the area, comply with any regulations with the government or environmental agencies and seek funding for the development of lands, roads and utilities. If this is to be done, there won't be any lands available for new construction.

If you require any more information on the above comments, feel free to contact our office at (867) 857-2841 or (867) 857-2519 via fax. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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