

## COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. In order to assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of project proposals, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project application:

**Project Title: Campsite/Fuel Cache for Mineral Exploration on Boothia Peninsula**

**Proponent: Cominco Ltd.**

**Location: Boothia Peninsula in the Kitikmeot**

**NIRB#: 00CN021**

**Comments Due By: Wednesday May 24, 2000**

**Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> no concerns                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> water quality                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> terrain                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> air quality                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat       | <input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat | <input type="checkbox"/> human health issues                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat           |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area                  |   |

**Please describe the concerns indicated above:**

Taloyoak CLARC have concerns that any exploration will have impacts (negative) on wildlife & habitat, polar bear denning area, caribou migration & habitat (calving) & beluga whale feeding areas, fish habitat & migrating routes.

**Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?**

Any concerns should be alleviated by the KIA Land Use License terms & conditions, plus NIRB screening.

**Do you support the project proposal? YES  NO**

**Any additional comments?**

Even though the Taloyoak CLARC opposed this application (CLARC minutes enclosed), this project is acceptable due to very minimal impacts, i.e. noise + human presence.

**Name of person commenting:** Tack Raniak **of** Kugluktuk

**Position:** Acting Land Manager **Organisation:** KIA

**Signature:** Tack Raniak **Date:** May 27/03

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May 18, 2000



**Members present:**

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**Steve Alooke - Vice chair**

Adam Totalik - member

Peter Mannila - CLO - KIA - secretary

Absent;

**David Agqaaq** - member

Kovalag Totatik - member

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The members basically discussed the major concerns that they had with regards to the present economic benefits that are involved in the area of interest by the applicant. And these included the wildlife habitat on the top portion of the Boothia Peninsula , which include polar bears and the denning areas as well as migratory route for caribou and calving grounds , beluga whales' feeding and birthing area , also includes fish and arctic char.

The other concerns included present and active outpost camps at Abernathy Bay and Pasley Bay which are almost adjacent to each other on the top section of the Boothia Peninsula.

The members felt that should mining go ahead in this area, the wildlife would immediately be affected by the activities from the mining companies.

All members agreed that this application should not be approved due to the potential impact that it would have on the wildlife.

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