



NIRB File No.: EX177
NWB File No.: 3BC-PVE----

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Sent via email: licencing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: Neil Shubin's "Paleozoic Vertebrates and Arthropods of Ellesmere Island" project proposal

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On April 16, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for Neil Shubin's "Paleozoic Vertebrates and Arthropods of Ellesmere Island" project proposal. The NIRB has determined that this project proposal is exempt from screening pursuant to item 5 of Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), *Types of Project Proposals Exempt from Screening*:

NLCA Schedule 12-1 (5):

"Water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3".

As this project proposal is exempt from the requirement for Screening by the NIRB, authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at info@nirb.ca or **867-983-4612**.

Sincerely,

Natasha Lear
Environmental Administrator
Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Neil Shubin, University of Chicago