



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Participant Funding Available for the Assessment of the Mary River Phase 2 Development Proposal

**DECEMBER 11, 2018:** Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) is inviting applications from individuals and groups seeking participant funding to take part in the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB) assessment of Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's (Baffinland) Phase 2 Development Proposal, a proposed amendment to the Mary River Project. The NIRB's assessment will consider the potential ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts of the modification proposal and will be conducted under both the *Nunavut Agreement* (Article 12, Section 12.8.2) and relevant reconsideration provisions of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* or NuPPAA (Section 112) as required under the transition provisions of the NuPPAA (Section 235). This funding supports public participation during the environmental and socio-economic assessment process outlined in correspondence issued jointly by NIRB and the Nunavut Water Board on October 12, 2018, and includes review of the Final Environmental Impact Statement Addendum (FEIS Addendum) submitted by the project proponent and preparation of information requests and technical comments; review of the proponent's response to the technical review comments; preparation for and participation in the Joint Technical Meeting in Iqaluit; preparation of final written submissions; and preparation for and participation in the Final Hearing in Pond Inlet.

Funding applications and a Participant Funding Guide can be accessed online at [www.nirb.ca/funding](http://www.nirb.ca/funding) or by contacting the NIRB at [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca) or toll-free at 1-866-233-3033.

Applications for funding must be prepared in accordance with the Participant Funding Guide and must be received by the NIRB no later than **JANUARY 11, 2019**:

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Nunavut Impact Review Board  
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Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0  
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A funding review committee independent of the NIRB will consider all applications and recommend allocation of funds to applicants according to specified eligibility criteria. All successful applicants will be required to sign an agreement with CIRNAC, under which expenditures may be subject to audit.

## **The Proposed Project Expansion**

Baffinland is proposing a Phase 2 to the existing Mary River Project, an operating iron ore mine located in the Qikiqtani Region of Nunavut. The Phase 2 Proposal will involve an increase in the intensity of use of approved activities and an expansion of existing infrastructure including the following modifications:

- Construction and operation of a 110 kilometer railway and the transportation of ore by rail from the Mary River mine site to Milne Port,
- Increase in ore production and transportation of ore between the mine site and Milne Port from 6 million tonnes per annum (mtpa); as approved under the Production Increase proposal, to 12 mtpa;
- Construction of a second ore dock that can accommodate cape-size vessels, a second ship loader, railway unloading and maintenance facilities, an enclosed crushing facility and additional support infrastructure; and,
- Marine transport of ore during the open water season from July 01 to November 15 adapted annually based on community consultation and ice conditions.

Information regarding the Phase 2 Development Proposal including the FEIS Addendum can be found on the NIRB's public registry at [www.nirb.ca/projects/123910](http://www.nirb.ca/projects/123910)