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The Government of Nunavut's mandate is focused on four priorities; the two most relevant to this context include:

- Economic growth through responsible development across all sectors;
- Good governance through wise use of our resources.



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Parnautit

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Under *Parnautit*, the GN's mineral exploration and mining strategy, the goal is:

- “To create the conditions for a strong and sustainable minerals industry that contributes to a high and sustainable quality of life for all Nunavummiut.”
- “At all times we must recognize the importance of protecting our environment and ensuring that the environmental effects of mining are always minimized and that the industry earns respect and acknowledgement as being a guardian of a clean and healthy environment.”

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In *Working Together For Caribou*, the GN's caribou management plan, the GN states:

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Our legislation

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Relevant legislation and regulations include, but are not limited to:

- *Wildlife Act*
- *Environmental Protection Act*
- *Public Health Act*
- *Scientists Act*
- *Official Languages Act*
- *Nunavut Archaeological and Palaeontological Sites Regulations*



Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit

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The review process must rely on and reflect Inuit traditional knowledge:

- **Pijitsirniq:** serving and providing for family and/or community.
- **Qanuqtuurniq:** being innovative and resourceful.
- **Avatittinnik Kamatsiarniq:** respect and care for the land, animals, and the environment.
- **Aajiiqatigiinniq:** decision making through discussion and consensus.

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The GN's review of AEM's environmental impact statement

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- Overview of issues
- Resolved and outstanding issues

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Socio-economic impact assessment

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- Impacts to people and communities
- Socio-Economic Assessment Committee (SEAC)
 - Department of Economic Development and Transportation (lead)
 - Department of Culture and Heritage
 - Department of Family Services
 - Department of Finance
 - Department of Health
 - Nunavut Housing Corporation

Environmental impact assessment

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Haul road safety and management

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Socio-economic monitoring

- The proponent should continue to participate in the Kivalliq Socio-Economic Monitoring Committee (Kiv-SEMC) and expand their monitoring at the Meadowbank site to include the new Whale Tail Pit project

Sexual health education

- The proponent should work with the GN Department of Health to improve sexual health education for employees at the project site

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Health centre visits

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- There may be indirect impacts to community health care resources as a result of the project, beyond the number of visits to community health centres



Demographics and housing

- The impacts of the project on community populations and housing pressures are still unknown
 - The proponent should continue to monitor for demographic changes and increased demand for social housing

Caribou group sizes for triggering adaptive management

- The GN wants a better rationale for AEM's proposed mitigation measures (particularly group size triggers) for preventing impacts to caribou.
- Are these group sizes relevant, and how likely is the occurrence of these triggers?

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Monitoring to support adaptive management

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Air traffic

- Additional mitigation required to reduce aircraft impacts to wildlife.



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Problem Carnivores

- The EIS should better define circumstances and/or situations in which deterrents are used

Wildlife Harvesting

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Traffic monitoring and management

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Muskox mitigation and management

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- The Terrestrial Ecosystem Management Plan should include management for muskoxen, similar to management for caribou



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Food Security

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- The proponent should continue their Hunter Harvest Study program and use the results to identify new indicators for local food security

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The Government of Nunavut has presented a number of comments and recommendations that we believe are reflective of the needs and values of Nunavummiut.

We believe that through collaborative and comprehensive mitigation and monitoring plans, the potential impacts associated with this project can be effectively managed

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As part of our continued effort to encourage and support economic development initiatives, the Government of Nunavut must ensure this is done responsibly and using a balanced approach

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The Government of Nunavut also strongly believes in the principles of *Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit* and encourages the continued use of Inuit Societal Values through all stages of development

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**Thank you
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