



# Nunavut Water Board (NWB) Licence Overview

## Community Session

Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet

Application for Type “A” Water licence





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# Nunavut Water Board

## Background

### The Nunavut Water Board

- is an Institution of Public Government (IPG) established under Article 13 of the *Nunavut Agreement*
- has responsibilities and powers over the regulation, use, and management of freshwater in the Nunavut Settlement Area



# Nunavut Water Board

## Background

The objective of the NWB is to provide for the conservation and utilization of waters in Nunavut, except in a national park, in a manner that will provide the optimum benefit from those waters for Nunavut's residents in particular and Canadians in general.



## Types of Authorizations

- Based on its mandate and the Nunavut Waters Regulations (*Regulations*), the NWB may issue one of the following authorizations for the use of water and/or deposit of waste for undertakings in Nunavut:
  - Authorization without a Licence  
(less than 50 m<sup>3</sup> per day water required)
  - **Type “B”** Water Licence  
(between 50 m<sup>3</sup> and 299 m<sup>3</sup> per day water required)
  - **Type “A”** Water Licence  
(300 m<sup>3</sup> or more per day water required)
  - This week’s TM-PHC is for a Type “A” water licence application based on criteria set out in Schedules 2 and 3 of the *Regulations*



# NWB Type “A” Licensing Process

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NWB receives application and confirms classification of undertaking and type of licence as a Type “A” licence

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Applicant provides additional information if required

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NWB conducts concordance review

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NWB issues notice of application and requests technical review and submission of comments (30 days minimum)

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## Hamlet of Chesterfield Inlet: Overview

- Located in the Kivalliq Region
- Current population is 397 (2021 Census)
- Projected population in 2033 is 489
- Water Management Area: Wilson Watershed (13)
- Previous Licence:
  - Type “B” 3BM-CHE1523
  - Expired on May 14, 2023
  - Water Use Authorized: 23,000 cubic metres per annum
- New Licence Application:
  - Type “A” 3AM-CHE----
  - Term requested is 10 years (*expiring in 2033*)
  - Water Use requested: 23,000 cubic metres per annum (*no change*)
  - withdraw of up to 2,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day of water from First Lake during the open water season



## Scope of Application

- Withdrawal of Water from First Lake to support community needs;
- Continued operation and maintenance of the following municipal facilities:
  - Water Supply Facilities, including:
    - Pump station at First Lake,
    - Overland water supply pipeline;
    - Water Storage Reservoir; and
    - Truck-Fill Station.
  - Sewage Disposal Facility, including:
    - Two sewage detention cells; and
    - A wetland area for supplementary treatment.
  - Solid Waste Disposal Facility.



# Application Procedural History

<b><u>March 20, 2023</u></b>	NWB received from the GN-CGS an application for a Type “A” Water Licence 3AM-CHE----
<b><u>March 22, 2023</u></b>	The NWB acknowledged receipt of application, determined that the application meets the requirements for public distribution, and invited interested parties to conduct an initial completeness check and provide information requests by April 12, 2023
<b><u>April 12, 2023</u></b>	CIRNAC, ECCC and DFO provided technical comments and Information Requests (IR) in relation to the Application
<b><u>May 3, 2023</u></b>	Applicant responded to intervenors’ comments
<b><u>May 9, 2023</u></b>	CIRNAC and ECCC accepted the Applicant’s Responses and stated they were ready to move to the next step of the process.
<b><u>May 23, 2023</u></b>	The NWB provided public notice of an application for a Type "A" Water Licence Application, commencing a twenty-four (24) day technical review period, and timelines for the Technical Meeting / Pre-Hearing Conference.



<b><u>June 15, 2023</u></b>	<b>CIRNAC requested extension to submit Technical Review comments by June 21, 2023</b>
<b><u>June 21, 2023</u></b>	Parties submit Technical Review comments
<b><u>June 29, 2023</u></b>	GN-CGS provided response to interveners' comments
<b><u>July 6, 2023</u></b>	NWB distributed the draft agenda for TM-PHC along with the timelines for the next steps in the process
<b><u>July 13, 2023</u></b>	The NWB received confirmation of participation and presentation documents from CIRNA and the Applicant.
<b><u>July 14, 2023</u></b>	NWB provided correspondence with the final Agenda for the TM-PHC
<b><u>July 19, 2023</u></b>	Today the NWB hosts the TM via teleconference.



## Next steps in the Application Process

- NWB will release Pre-Hearing Conference Decision Report within 2 weeks;
- The report will contain details of the Application process so far;
- NWB will issue a Notice of Public Hearing informing stakeholders about tentative dates and format of the Public Hearing;



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