Executive Summary

The Government of Nunavut-Transportation and Infrastructure Nunavut (GN-TIN) is planning the construction of a community harbour in the Hamlet of Grise Fiord, Nunavut (the Project).

The permanent components of the Project include the construction of:

- Two new breakwaters (to create a protected harbour).
- Boat launch ramp.
- Two small craft floating docks to support mooring of small craft vessels.
- Parking and boat storage area.
- Shoreline raised and graded to create a level driving surface.
- Navigational aids.
- Harbour Lighting.

Temporary components of the construction include:

- Quarry (borrow pits).
- Haul road.
- Temporary work platforms (below the High-Water Line [HWL] to support land-based construction).
- Contractor camp.

An application was submitted to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) on 25 October 2024, and a Conformity Determination was issued on 11 December 2025 (NPC File No. 150556). The Project was referred to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for screening. A NIRB application was submitted on 04 April 2025 and a Screening Decision Report (SDR) was issued on 19 June 2025.

The construction of the Project requires several activities that involve the use of water or the alteration of a watercourse and therefore require authorization under a Type B Water Licence from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). Descriptions of each construction activity are provided in Table 1.

Construction is scheduled to occur from 2027 to 2030, with works largely taking place during the open-water season. The proposed works are not anticipated to affect any other persons or properties. No adverse effects on the water rights of existing water users, or on Inuit water rights, are anticipated as a result of the proposed works.

The predicted effects of these construction activities are limited to short-term, localized increases in turbidity and sediment release during in-stream activities. Mitigation will include turbidity monitoring using the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) water quality guidelines, and the installation of sediment and erosion control measures, as detailed in Sections 5.4 and 5.5 of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).

Table 1: Construction Activities requiring a Nunavut Water Board Type B Water Licence

Construction Activity	Project Component	Description
Stream armouring	Breakwater	Stream armouring work consists of the placement of riprap and armour stone along the northern arm of Kuuraaluk Creek to stabilize the channel from erosion and sea ice. The stream armouring will support construction of the breakwater and dredging operations. Kuuraaluk Creek will maintain its current general alignment and flow into the community harbour. A sedimentation stilling basin will be installed near the interface of the community harbour basin and Kuuraaluk Creek to capture sediment and minimize future maintenance dredging requirements. This activity does not require the use of water and does not generate wastewater. It is noted that the community already dredged this area on a regular basis to provide access for their vessels.
Culvert installation, replacement or repair	• Haul road. • Parking and boat storage area.	A culvert will be installed at the shoreline of the community harbour for water drainage. The runoff will be routed through the new culvert along the north side of the community harbour and divert water towards the west via a drainage ditch. The haul road requires localized improvements on existing culverts to accommodate construction traffic, including rock trucks transporting aggregate from the quarry (borrow pits) to the community harbour. The contractor will assess whether the existing culverts can support the anticipated construction traffic and will repair or replace them if required. These culverts will maintain water flow in lowland areas and support proper drainage during road use. The culverts will maintain water flow across the road. This activity does not require the use of water and does not generate wastewater.
Water withdrawal	• Quarry (borrow pits). • Haul Road. • Parking and boat storage area. • Shoreline grading. • Contractor camp.	Water is required to support construction activities and the contractor's camp, including dust suppression, drinking water and sanitary facilities, earthworks (for compaction if necessary), and equipment cleaning. The primary water source will be the community's existing storage tanks and municipal supply, with the Kuuraaluk Creek identified as an alternative source to be used only if the community supply is unable to meet Project demand. A maximum of 40 cubic metres (m^3) of water per day will be required to support construction and the contractor camp over the construction period. The modest water withdrawal volumes are not anticipated to

Construction Activity	Project Component	Description
		affect water quantity, quality, or natural flow regimes of Kuuraaluk Creek (if required as a water source). Wastewater will be managed through holding tanks in the sanitary facilities for the construction site and contractor camp.

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ᓄᓇᕗᑦ ᑲᕐᒪᒃᓯᑦ ᐃᖏᕐᕋᔪᓕᕆᓂᖅᓯᒃᓯᑦ ᐊᐅᓪᓚᓇᐅᑎᓪᓕᕆᓂᖅᓯᒃᓴᓗ ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ (GN-TIN) <ᕋᓇᖅ>ᑦ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᓄᓇᓕᖅᑐᑦ ᐅᖅᓯᐊᓂᓕᖅᑐᑦ ᐄᔨᓪᓚᒃᓯᑦ ᐊᐅᓚᑦᐃᐃᑦ, ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ (ᕿᓇᒃᖴᕿᓯᐅᑎ).

ᐃᓕᓴᒪᐃᓇᕐᓂᐊᖅᑐᑦ ᐃᓕᖏᑐᑦ ᕿᓇᒃᖴᕿᓯᐅᑎᒥ ᐃᓕᕋᖅᑐᖅ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓂᒥ ᐅᓯᑦᓴᖅ:

- ᒪᕐᒉᖏᑦ ᓄᒋᑦ ᑐᓕᒃᑕᕐᓇᒃᓕᒍ ᕿᖅᑭᑎᕿᑎᓂᕐᓕᒍ ᕿᓗᐅᒃᓴᓕᓴᒪᔪᓂᖅ ᐅᖅᓯᐊᓂᓕᖅᖏᑦᑕ).
- ᐅᒥᐊᕐᓄᑦ ᐅᒥᕐᓚᓇᐅᑐᓄᑦ ᓯᓇᖏᓪᓗᒥᒃ.
- ᒪᕐᒉᖏᑦ ᒥᑭᑐᓄᑦ ᐅᒥᐊᕐᓄᑦ ᓴᒃᑕᒋᕐᑐᑦ ᑐᓕᒃᑕᕐᓇᒃ ᓂᐅᕐᕆᐊᓕᓂᒥ ᐃᒃᓵᖅᓯᐃᓕᓂᒥ ᑐᓕᒃᑕᕐᓂᒥ ᒥᑭᑐᓂᒥ ᐅᒥᐊᕐᓂᑦ.
- ᓄᖅᑲᖅᓇᓄᑦ ᐊᓪᒪᓗ ᐅᒥᐊᕐᓄᑦ ᑐᖅᑯᖅᑕᐅᓇᓕᓂ ᐃᓂᐅᓂᑦ.
- ᓯᓚᖅᓴᓯᓚᑦᓂ ᖃᑯᖅᑯᑦᓂᖅᑕᐅᓗᓂ ᐊᓪᒪ ᖃᑯᕐᑎᓯᕈᖅᑕᐅᓗᓂ ᓴᖅᑭᑎᕿᑎᓂᕐᓂᒥ ᑭᓚᕐᑲᕐᑎᐊᖅᑐᒥ ᐃᓕᕐᕋᓂᒥ ᖃᐅᔨᓴᓂᒥ ᖃᐅᔨᓂᒥ.
- ᐃᓕᕐᕋᓂᒥ ᐃᒃᓵᖅᓯᐃᓕᓂᒥ.
- ᐅᖅᑯᐊᓂᓪᓕᑦ ᖃᐅᔨᓪᓚᕆᓚᖅᓯᒪᓂᕐᓂᑦ.

ᖃᓄᐊᒥᐅᔨᒥ ᐃᓕᓐᓴᐅᔨᓄᑦ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓂᒥ ᐃᓕᖏᑐᑦ:

- ᑐᓴᕐᓂᒃᑯᑦ (ᑐᓴᐸᓴᖅᑕᖃᓐᓇᑦ ᐃᓗᓕᑦᑐᓐᓇᕐᓂᑦ).
- ᐅᓂᖅᑕᕐᓇᓕᒃ ᐊᖅᑯᑎᑐ.
- ᖃᓄᐊᒥᐅᔨᒥ ᐃᒃᓵᖅᓯᐃᓕᓂᒥ (ᐊᑕᑦᓂ ᖃᑯᕐᑎᓵᑐᒥ ᐃᒪᖅᒥ ᓄᓚᕐᓴᓂᓂ [HWL] ᐃᒃᓵᖅᓯᐃᓕᓂᒥ ᓄᓇᒥᑦ ᑐᓂᓯᔪᓐᓇᖅᑐᑦ ᐃᓐᓇᓕᓕᒫᓂᒃᓯᓂᒥ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓂᑦ).
- ᑲᓇᑐᑦᓴᕐᑎᐅᓕᖅᖢᓂ ᕆᔨᒪᓕᖅᓂᒃ.

ᑐᓴᕐᓂᐅᑎᒃ ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ <ᕋᓇᐃᓵᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓄᑦ (NPC) 25 ᐅᖅᑐᐱᓗ 2024–ᒥ, ᐊᓪᒪᓗ ᒪᓕᓂᖅᑲᐊᖏᓐᓄᑦᑎᓪᓗ ᒪᓕᓂᖅᑕᐅᔪᓚᐅᖏᓐᓂᒃᓯᒥ ᐃᓕᓴᐅᓕᓕᒫᓂᖅᑕᐅᓗᓂ ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ 11 ᑎᓴᐱᓗ 2025–ᒥ (ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ <ᕋᓇᐃᓵᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓂ ᑎᑎᕋᖅᑕᐅᓴᓕᓴᒪᓂ ᓱᐸᐅᑦ 150556). ᕿᓇᒃᖴᕿᓯᐅᑎ ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ ᐊᐖᑎᓕᓚᐃᓕᓴᒪᓂᖅ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓂᒃᓯᓂ (NIRB) ᖃᑲᐅᔨᕿᖅᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᑦ. ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ ᐊᐖᑎᓕᓚᐃᓕᓴᒪᓂᖅ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓂᒃᓯᓂ ᑐᓴᕐᓂᐅᑎᒃ ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ 04 ᐊᐃᔪᓚᓕ 2025–ᒥ ᐊᓪᒪ ᖃᑲᐅᔨᕿᖅᑕᐅᓂᖅᓱᓚᓄᑦ ᐅᓂᒃᑲᓕᐊᒥ (SDR) ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ 19 ᔪᓂ 2025–ᒥ.

ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᕿᓇᒃᖴᕿᓯᐅᑎᒃ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᖃᑲᓐᓂᑕᖏᓐᓂ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓕᐅᔨᓂᐅᔪᓂᑦ ᐃᓕᖃᖅᑐᒥ ᐊᑐᓂᒥ ᐅᕙᓪᓕᐊᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᐊᓯᔾᔨᓂᐅᔪᒥ ᐃᓕᖃᖅᓂᐊᕐᓂ ᐊᓚᒡᓕᓚᐃᑦ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᔪᖓᑎᑎᓂᐅᔪᒥᑦ ᐅᒃᘐᓇ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᑐᐃᓐᓇᓂᐅ B ᐃᒥᓐᓄᑦ ᐱᔪᓇᐅᑎᒥᒃ ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ ᐃᓕᓕᓚᓴᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓐᓂᑦ (NWB). ᐅᓂᒃᑲᓚᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᐊᑐᓂ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓕᐅᕈᑕᐅᔪᓂ ᑐᓂᔪᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ ᐅᖅᑐᓂ ᓇᑐᓇᐃᖅᑐᖅ 1–ᒥ.

ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᐋᖅᑭᑎᕿᑎᓂᕐᓕᒍᖅ ᐱᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂᒥ 2027–ᒥ 2030–ᒧᑦ, ᐱᓕᓚᓂᖅᑲᓪᓕᐊᑕᕐᓗᓂ ᔪᓄᐃᖅᓯᒪᓕᑕᓪᓗᒍ ᐊᕐᕌᒍᑦ ᐃᓕᓴᖅᓂ. ᑐᓴᕐᓂᖅᑕᐅᔪᓂ ᐱᓕᓚᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᓂᓚᐅᑎᕐᐅᖅᕈᑕᓕᓂ ᐊᐅᑐᐃᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂ ᐊᔪᓂᖅᓂ ᐅᕙᓪᓕᐊᓂᖅᓴᓂ ᐱᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓴᖅ. ᐱᐅᖅᑕᖅᑕᐅᔪᓂ ᐊᐅᑐᐃᔪᓂᖅᑲᓐᓂᖅᑕᓕᓂᖅ ᐃᓕᐅᑦ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᐱᔪᓇᐅᑎᒥᒃᓯᓂᖅᓂᒥ ᐃᓕᖃᖅᑐᒥ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᐱᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᐱᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂ ᐱᔨᓚᐊᖃᖅᓴᖅ ᐱᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂ.

ᓇᓕᐅᑦᑕᓚᐅᔪᓂ ᐊᐅᑐᐃᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᐅᔪᓇᓂ ᓇᐸᖅᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓕᐅᕈᑕᐅᔪᓂ ᑭᓚᕐᑲᕐᓂᓕᐊᖅᓴᑦ ᖃᓄᐊᒥᐅᔨᓄᑦ ᐊᓪᓚᒡᓕᓚᐃᓕᓴᒪᓂᖅᓯᒪᓂᕐᓂᑦ ᖃᑭᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂᒃᓯᓂ ᐊᓪᓚᒡᓕᓚᐃᓕᓴᒪᓂᖅᓯᒪᓂᕐᓂᑦ ᖃᑭᓕᓚᓂᐊᕐᓂᖅᓴᓂᒃᓯᓂ ᐃᓕᓴᐅᓕᓕᒫᓂᖅᑕᐅᓗᓂ ᑭᓚᕐᑲᕐᓂᓕᐊᖅᓴᑦ ᖃᓄᐊᒥᐅᔨᓄᑦ

ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓐᓄᑦᑕᐅᔪᓂ. ᓯᕿᐃᔨᐃᓗᐊᖅᑕᐅᓕᓂᕐᓂ ᐃᓕᖃᖅᓂᐊᖅᓴᖅ ᖁᓕᓕᒫᓂᖅᓯᐅᑎᓂ ᓇᐅᕈᑎᖅᓯᕐᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᐊᑐᕐᓗᑎᖅ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᐅᔪᓂ ᒥᓂᑕᓄᑦ ᐊᐱᑎᓕᕆᓂᕐᒧᑦ (CCME) ᐃᒪᐅᕐ ᐱᐅᓂᖏᓐᓂ ᐃᑲᔪᑎᓂᑦ, ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᐃᓕᓯᓂᐅᔪᓂ ᖁᑭᒪᔪᓂ ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᓄᖕᕕᐸᓕᓕᒫᓂᐅᔪᓂᑦ ᐊᐅᓪᑕᐅᓂᖏᓐᓄᓄᓂ ᐱᓕᕆᓂᐅᔪᓂ, ᐅᓂᒃᑲᕆᔭᒪᓂᖏᓐᓄᓂ ᐃᓕᖏᓐᓄᓂ 5.4 ᐊᒻᒪᓗ 5.5–ᒥ ᓇᕐᕿᖅᑎᕆᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᐊᐱᑎᖏᓐᓄᓂ ᐊᐅᓪᑕᕋᓂᐅᔪᓂᒥ ᕿᖏᐅᑎᖏᓐᓄᓂ (CEMP).

ᓇᓗᓇᐃᔭᓕ 2: ᓇᐸᖏᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓕᐅᕈᑕᐅᔪᓕ ᐱᔨᑌᐊᓕᖅᓴᓕ ᓄᓇᕗᑦ ᐃᓕᓕᓐᓂᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᓱᑐᓂᖅᓴᓂ Β–Γ ᐃᒥᐠᒍᑦ ᐱᔪᓐᓇᐅᑎᒃ

ᓇᐸᖏᑎᓂᕐᓄᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᓕᓕᐅᕈᑕᐅᔪᓕ	ᐱᓕᑌᐊᖏᐅᔪᒍᑦ ᐃᓕᒥᔭᖅᓴᒍᑦ	ᐅᓂᖅᑲᑌᓂᖅ
ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ	ᒪᑦᓕᓗᐊᖏᑕᐃᓕᓵᔪᕈᑎ	ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ ᐱᓕᑌᓂᖅ ᐃᓕᖏᑲᖅᓴᖅ ᐃᓕᓴᓂᐅᔪᒥ ᕿᑭᖅᒥ ᓴᓇᓴᒪᔪᓕ ᐊᒪᓕ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᕐᓂᒥᑦ ᐅᔾᖏᖅᑲᓂ ᑕᐅᖓᓇ ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᖏᓐᓄᑦ. ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ ᐃᑲᔪᖅᓴᐅᓂᐊᖅᓴᖅ ᓇᓵᖏᖅᓴᐃᓕᓐᓂᖅ ᑐᐅᓕᑲᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᖅ. ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ ᐃᓕᖏᑲᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᒪᓕ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ ᐃᓕᖏᑲᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᖅ. ᑯᖅᒥᑦ ᓴᐃᕆᔨᐅᑎᕐᓂᖅ ᐃᓕᖏᑲᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᐅᓚᑕᐅᓂᖅᓴᖅ ᐊᒪᓕ

ᐃᒥᖅᑕᕐᓂᕐᒥ	• ᑐᐊᕐᓴᖅᑕᕐᒪᖅ (ᑐᐊᕐᓴᕿᖅᑕᖏᓐᓇᓪᓂ ᐃᓗᑐᕐᓂᓕᕆᔨᓪᓂ). • ᐅᓯᖅᑕᕐᓂᐊᖅ ᐊᖅᓂᐱᑎ. • ᓄᖅᑲᖏᓐᓄᓪᓂ ᐊᓕᒪᓗ ᐅᒥᐊᖅᓄᓪᓂ ᑐᖅᓂᖅᑕᐅᖅᓯᐃᓂ ᐃᓂᐅᕐᓂ. • ᓯᓚᕆᒥ ᐅᐊᖅᓴᐃᓂᕐᒥ. • ᑲᓐᑐᖏᑎᐅᔨᖅ ᑕᖏᓪᓕᖅᓱᓐᓂ.	ᐃᒪᖅ ᐱᕆᓴᐊᖅᑲᖅᐳᖅ ᐃᑲᔨᖅᓯᐃᓂᕐᒥ ᓇᐸᐸᖅᑎᓂᓪᓄᓪᓂ ᖃᑲᓄᐃᓕᓂᐅᕈᑕᐅᔨᓂ ᐊᓕᒪ ᑲᓐᑐᖏᑎᐅᔨᐸ ᑕᖏᓪᓕᖅᓱᓐᓇᓄᓪᓂ, ᐃᓕᖅᑲᖅᑐᒥ ᐳᔨᖅᑲᖅᑎᑎᑕᐃᓕᒪᓂᓪᓗᓪᓂ, ᐃᒥᖅᑕᐅᐅᖅᑐᒥ ᐃᒪᖅᒪ ᐊᓕᒪ ᓴᓗᒪᖅᓴᐃᓂᓪᓗᓪᓂ ᐃᓗᓪᓂᐸᐊᓄᓪᓂ, ᓄᓇᓕᓚᓂᓪᓕ (ᓇᖃᑕᐅᓂᖓᓄᓂ ᐱᕆᓴᐊᖅᑲᖅᐸᖅᓯ), ᐊᓕᒪ ᐱᓕᓚᐠᑎᓄᓪᓂ ᓴᓗᒪᖅᓴᐃᓂᓪᓗᓪᓂ. ᓯᐅᑦᓕᐅᔨᒥ ᐃᒥᖅᑕᕐᓂᖓᓕ ᐅᓇᐅᓂᐊᖅᐳᖅ ᓄᓇᓕᐅᔨᐸ ᐱᑕᖅᑲᖅᐸᑲᖅᑐᐃᓐᓇᓕᒪᓂᐅᖅᑐᑐᒃᓴᓂ ᐃᒪᖅᑲᖅᓯᐅᓕᖅᓂᐅᓂ ᐊᓕᒪ ᓄᓇᓕᓚᓂ ᐃᒥᖅᑕᖅᑕᐅᕐᒫᖅᓴᓂ, ᑯᐊᖅ ᑯᓐᓂ (ᐊᑐᖅᑕᐅᔨᓚᐊᖅᑲᖅᐸᓯ) ᐃᒪᖅᓴᓂ ᐅᓇᐅᓂᐊᖅᐳᖅ ᓄᓇᓕᐅᔨᐸ ᐃᒪᖅᑲᖅᓯᐅᓕᖅᓂᐅᓂ ᐊᓕᒪ ᓄᓇᓕᓚᓂ ᐃᒪᖅᑲᖅᓯᐅᓕᖅᓂᐅᓂ ᐃᒪᓐᓇᐅᔨᒥ ᐃᒪᖅᑲᖅᓯᐅᓕᖅᓂᐅᓂ ᐊᓕᒪ ᓄᓇᓕᓚᓂ ᐃᒪᖅᑲᖅᓯᐅᓕᖅᓂᐅᓂ ᐃᓕᓴᕐᓂᐊᓕᒪᓂᐅᖅᑐᑐᒃᓴ