

SCOPE OF WORK

Bathurst Inlet Road and Port

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Understanding the NWB mandate with respect to the project is important in determining what information the NWB may need for a complete review of the application. As we see it the NWB is responsible issuing an approval for water use and for project components, which may have associated impacts due to the deposit of waste into water. As such for the BIRAP project NWB will need to issue approvals for all freshwater crossing, port infrastructure (domestic water use, and waste disposal activities). Note the marine deep-water port does not fall under the NWB mandate but rather DFO authorization.

NWB received a project description and application for water licence for the BIRAP project on **April**. The NWB through an initial review determined that the application is extremely deficient. The NWB subsequently wrote a letter to the Nunavut Impact Review Board recommending that the two boards (NIRB/NWB) work together on a joint review in which NWB information requirements would be incorporated into the NIRB EIS guidelines.

NWB requires expertise:

- i. To review the current information submitted;
- ii. To outline information requirements needed for incorporation into NIRB EIS guidelines;
- iii. Review EIS once submitted based on information requirements and assess the project impacts as they relate to fresh water.