

NIRB File No.: 16YN032 NPC File No.: 148283

June 9, 2016

Lynn Gillespie Canadian Museum of Nature P.O. Box 3443, Station D Ottawa, ON K1P 6P4

Sent via email: lgillespie@mus-nature.ca

Re: <u>Additional Information Required: Information Request # 1 for the Canadian Museum of Nature's "Flora of the Canadian Arctic" Project Proposal</u>

Dear Lynn Gillespie:

On May 31, 2016 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the Canadian Museum of Nature's "Flora of the Canadian Arctic" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission) with an accompanying positive conformity determination with the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number 16YN032 - please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

Documents and materials received by the NIRB in support this project proposal include:

- NPC Screening Referral and Conformity Determination
- NPC Application and Conformity Questionnaire
- NIRB's Online Application Form (formerly the NIRB Part 1 form in English)
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in English, Inuktitut and French
- Nunavut Wildlife Research Permit Application
- Maps noting field research locations

All information provided to the NIRB in support of this project proposal can be accessed from the Board's online public registry at www.nirb.ca by using any of the following search criteria:

Project Name: Flora of the Canadian Arctic

NIRB File No.: 16YN032Application No.: 124667

The NIRB has undertaken a preliminary completeness check of your project proposal and has found that *additional* information is required for the NIRB to carry out its screening. According to subsection 144(1) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the NIRB

is requesting submission of the information as outlined in <u>Appendix A</u> of this correspondence by **June 23, 2016**.

Please be advised that pursuant to paragraph 92(3)(b) of the NuPPAA, the 45-days timeline for the Board to provide a screening decision stops on the date of this letter. This 45-days timeline will start again on the date the NIRB receives the requested additional information. If the proponent fails to submit the requested additional information, the Board may suspend or terminate the assessment activities of the proposed project pursuant to the relevant provisions under section 144 of the NuPPAA. Therefore, it is in the Canadian Museum of Nature's best interest to cure the identified information deficiencies in a timely manner.

If the Canadian Museum of Nature determines that the time required to supply the required information is significantly greater than two (2) weeks, the Board requests written notification and an anticipated date for submission be provided as soon as possible.

Please submit all forthcoming project proposal information through the NIRB's online public registry at http://www.nirb.ca. For additional instructions regarding the new project application portal, please contact NIRB administration at info@nirb.ca or at 1-866-233-3033.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the Sophia Granchinho directly at (867) 857-2052 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Kristina Benoit

Technical Advisor II

Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Karén Kharatyan, Nunavut Water Board

Denise Baikie, Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment Lynda Orman, Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment

Attachment: Appendix A: Information Request #: 1

Enclosures (2): NIRB Part 1 Form in English, for reference only

NIRB Part 1 Form in Inuktitut

Appendix A: Information Request # 1

for the Canadian Museum of Nature's Flora of the Canadian Arctic pursuant to Section 144(1) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*NIRB File No. 16YN032

1. Topic/Issue: NIRB Part 1 Form in Inuktitut

Reference: NIRB Guide 3: Guide to Filing of Project Proposals and Screening Process **Rationale:** Translated versions of the NIRB Part 1 form are required in order to assist unilingual community organizations and members of the public to understand and provide comments on the proposal.

Request: Submit completed NIRB Part 1 Forms in Inuktitut pursuant to the NIRB's project application requirements through the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca. The NIRB Part 1 Form in English is provided as information only.

2. Topic/Issue: Project Map

Reference: NIRB Guide 3: Guide to Filing of Project Proposals and Screening Process **Rationale:** The NIRB requires a map of the project proposal (local and regional scale) and related activities to assist in the assessment of the project.

Request: Submit an electronic map noting the proposed location of project activities in a 1:50,000 format (if available) through the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca.

3. Topic/Issue: Supplemental supporting documentation

Reference: Requirement of documentation to complete screening assessment

Rationale: To properly scope and assess proposed projects, the NIRB requires proponents to provide specific information on proposed activities, associated components, and proposed mitigation and monitoring measures related to the proposal.

Request: Provide supplemental information regarding, field research logistics, including but not limited to:

- Method of travel to and from field sites. If travel to include an aircraft, provide information regarding flight plans (e.g., duration, location, altitudes).
- Clarification on the field research dates as it is not clear from the online registry.
- Clarification on the number of personnel to be in the field.
- Amount of time spent in the field, at sites where not camping.
- Research methodologies.
- Provide Spill Plan as listed.
- Mitigation plans that include the identification of potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures.
- Information on any infrastructure (hotels, restaurants, etc.) to be used at the community.