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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Cote, Dr. McLennan:

**RE: NPC File #148471 LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) and Radar surveys of land and sea ice of the Cambridge Bay region for satellite validation and modelling: from Twin Otter aircraft platform in April 2017**

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Scientific Research: Depart Cambridge Bay and conduct 10 flight lines of aerial surveying over land and sea-ice using a Twin Otter aircraft at an altitude of 1000-1500 ft. The aircraft is equipped with LiDAR (light detection and ranging) and Ka-band Radar.

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA).

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the NIRB for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:

<http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148471&sessionid=>

This decision applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 983-4634.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AV', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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