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Nunavut Planning Commission  
Commission d'Aménagement du Nunavut

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*Via Electronic Mail:*

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Dear Planning Partners,

**Re: Working Draft of the Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP)**

I am very pleased to advise you that the NPC completed the draft NLUP on Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup> as committed. The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has been working on the formulation of the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP) as required under Nunavut Land Claims Agreement 11.5.1. In accordance with NLCA 11.3.3 the land use plan also includes the Draft Implementation Strategy.

The basic principle of the land use planning process is that the land use plan will support land and resource management initiatives and fill regulatory gaps. It is not the intent of the NLUP to replace existing legislative and regulatory roles of our planning partners.

As part of this process the NPC has been working with; Government of Canada, Government of Nunavut, Inuit Organization Land Managers, Institutions of Public Government and other planning partners to identify Issues and Priorities that are included in the Draft NLUP. A series of opportunities for planning partners to provide input into the land use planning process have been provided, including technical workshops that were intended to review and seek out solutions to the Issues and Priorities identified. During these sessions the NPC committed to make available a working draft NLUP to provide the

opportunity for planning partners to review and provide feedback on the land use planning terms and zones that are being proposed.

It is important to note that the attached plan and strategy are working drafts. The NPC continues to work with planning partners and will continue to add new data as it is received, and seek feedback on the direction being considered for the management of lands and resources in the Nunavut Settlement Area. Please note that a high resolution version of the plan, GIS shapefiles and metadata being used are accessible on the NPC FTP site located at:

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In closing, please utilize the above ftp site link and password to access:

- The draft plan, implementation strategy;
- Other relevant documentation,
- The Agendas, Summary of Meeting Notes and Presentations provided during the Technical Workshops hosted by the NPC and;
- Correspondence that was recently exchanged between the NPC and Environment Canada regarding management of important migratory bird habitat.

If your organization has datasets, further information or suggestions regarding the draft plan and implementation strategy, the NPC will require the feedback no later than August 27, 2010 in order to meet the timelines of the Commission. The draft plan and implementation document will then be updated and presented to the Commissioners at their September Commission meeting.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or our Policy Department staff at 1-867-983-4625.

Respectfully,



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