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Chairperson Andrew Nakashuk
Nunavut Planning Commission
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Dear Chairperson Nakashuk:

Release of the 2021 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan, and Extension of Deadlines

On behalf of the Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board (QWB), I want to congratulate you, your entire Board, and all of the staff of the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) on the completion and release of the 2021 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (DNLUP). The sheer geographic coverage of the 2021 DNLUP speaks directly to your Commission's major accomplishment.

We are pleased by NPC's broad incorporation of QWB's 43 submissions of 2018 into the 2021 DNLUP. This speaks volumes to how seriously the Commission considered Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, which was the predominant source of information that the QWB used in our submissions. Again, congratulations!

Nevertheless, we note some important areas that we submitted do not appear in the 2021 DNLUP. Therefore, we request that the NPC provide us with the written rationale used to omit any of the areas identified in QWB's submissions. That information will help to us develop potential future submissions on the revised 2021 DNLUP. Some of the information in our 2018 submissions apparently did not meet NPC's needs, and we can improve our collaborative efficiencies by learning what may lead to omission vs. inclusion of an area that is important to Inuit. We would like to improve the quality of any future submissions that we may make.

I must inform you that it will not be possible for the QWB to prepare written submissions on the 2021 DNLUP by your requested deadline of September 30, 2021. In fact, it will take the QWB several months to do so. Therefore, the QWB is formally requesting an extension of your deadline to December 31, 2021, at least for more substantive submissions.



As well, I hereby notify you that the QWB is planning to attend in-person hearings proposed for Pond Inlet and Iqaluit. It is also likely that representatives of 6-8 of our member HTOs will probably attend each of these two hearings. Given that NPC hearings are scheduled in other regions in November 2021, we are anticipating that the Pond Inlet and Iqaluit hearings may occur during January – March 2022. Can you please inform us soon about the likely timing of those hearings?

Given that NPC has set the deadline for submission of copies of presentations and questions about 11 days before the Rankin Inlet hearing, I hereby request that you allow similar lead time before the Pond Inlet and Iqaluit hearings.

And finally, all email addresses of the primary contacts for the QWB and our 13 member HTOs have changed from those listed in Appendix A of NPC's "Notice of Reopening of Record and Next Steps...". In addition, several of the names of the HTOs have also changed. Attached you will find a listing of all the current names and email addresses for QWB and the 13 HTOs, listed by your original organization number in Appendix A. We have added the current community's name after each HTO name.

I look forward to receiving the rationale for omitting some areas that the QWB identified in our 2018 written submissions, and notice of extensions to deadlines for written submissions and hearing presentations and questions, and timing of the Pond Inlet and Iqaluit hearings.

Thank you very much for your consideration, and once again, very great congratulations to everybody at NPC for completion of the 2021 DLUP!

Most sincerely,

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