



## NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL COMMENTS RECEIVED AND NEXT STEPS FOR THE REGIONAL PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE 2021 DRAFT NUNAVUT LAND USE PLAN

**Date: May 4, 2022**

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission) previously requested that participants provide additional and/or supplementary written submissions on the 2021 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (DNLUP) by April 15, 2022. On or before April 20, 2022 the NPC received additional submissions from the following participants as posted on the Public Registry:

- Agnico Eagle
- Beverely and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board
- Blue Star Gold
- Forum Energy Metals Corp.
- Ghotelnene K'Odtineh Dene
- Glencore Canada Corporation
- Government of Canada
- Government of the Northwest Territories
- Kivalliq Inuit Association
- Kivalliq Wildlife Board
- Mittimatalik Hunters and Trappers Organization
- Mosbacher Operating Limited
- North Arrow Minerals
- Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated and Regional Inuit Associations
- Nunavut Water Board
- Western Atlas Resources

The Commission thanks participants who were able to provide additional and/or supplementary written submissions and notes that a number of participants have requested additional time to prepare their submissions. The Commission now encourages participants to provide any further written comments on the 2021 DNLUP by **June 24, 2022** to ensure all participants have adequate time to review them in advance of the regional public hearings taking place in September through November 2022.

In addition, the Commission previously indicated that the consultation record for the 2021 DNLUP would close 40 days after the conclusion of the final regional hearing. However, the Commission is now

extending this timeline to **January 10, 2023** recognizing the holiday period's impact on schedules and notes that **no further extension will be granted beyond this deadline.**

Please note that all written submissions received in respect of the 2021 DNLUP are available on the NPC public registry online at: <http://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry.php>. The interactive maps and GIS files of the maps are available on the NPC's website at [www.nunavut.ca](http://www.nunavut.ca).

## **1. OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW PARTIES WRITTEN COMMENTS AND SUBMIT PRE-HEARING WRITTEN QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The NPC would like to offer all participants the opportunity to review the written submissions and provide responses or ask specific questions regarding the content of the written submissions or 2021 DNLUP of any party.

The NPC requests that participants submit a list of the questions they would like to ask on or before **June 30, 2022** which will be followed by an opportunity to address comments (timeline to be determined) and may include subsequent rounds of questions and answers until **August 31, 2022**. The NPC acknowledges that some parties have already submitted a list of questions as part of their additional submissions and the Commission will endeavor to respond to those as soon as practicable.

The NPC requests that all participants asking questions identify the participants to which their questions are directed and are encouraged to review **Appendix A** which provides a suggested template for the submission of Pre-Hearing written questions. The NPC is of the opinion that allowing participants to formally ask written questions at this stage of the process will allow participants work together in a constructive manner to address any outstanding technical issues on the 2021 DNLUP and limit the number of outstanding technical issues brought forward to the public hearings.

In addition, Commission staff continue to discuss the 2021 DNLUP with community representatives to assist them in the preparation of written submissions and to prepare them for the public hearings. The Commission encourages participants to contact staff if they would prefer to have oral discussions to clarify any aspects of the draft plan in advance of the hearings.

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF ATTENDANCE IN REGIONAL PUBLIC HEARINGS**

In order to allow the NPC to issue draft agendas for the regional public hearings by May 27, 2022, the NPC is **requesting that all registered participants confirm which of the five (5) public hearings they plan to attend and present at on or before May 20, 2022**. Parties not yet registered as participants are able to do so by completing the registration form in Appendix B as soon as possible.

## **3. SUMMARY OF KEY DATES**

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| April 25-29, 2022    | Kitikmeot Communities Information and Preparatory Sessions   |
| April 25-May 4, 2022 | Kivalliq Communities Information and Preparatory Sessions  |
| May 13, 2022         | Deadline for Community Organizations in the Qikiqtaaluk (North and South Baffin) to appoint representatives to participate in information and preparatory sessions |

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| May 20, 2022          | Deadline to identify which hearing(s) each participant will attend and present at  |
| May 27, 2022          | NPC to distribute Draft Public Hearing Agenda for comments and feedback  |
| June 13-20, 2022      | Qikiqtaaluk Communities (South Baffin) Information and Preparatory Sessions  |
| June 13-21, 2022      | Qikiqtaaluk Communities (North Baffin) Information and Preparatory Sessions  |
| June 24, 2022         | Extended deadline for further and/or supplementary written submissions and comments on draft agendas for regional public hearings  |
| June 30, 2022         | Deadline for written questions to participants or NPC in advance of hearings   |
| July 7, 2022          | NPC distributes final agendas and procedural guidelines for regional public hearings   |
| August 12, 2022       | Deadline to receive presentations, for participants to confirm names of hearing attendees and presenters, and any requests by public media organizations to cover the hearings |
| August 31, 2022       | Deadline for responses to written questions in advance of the hearings   |
| September 12-15, 2022 | Public Hearing (Cambridge Bay, NU)   |
| September 19-23, 2022 | Public Hearing (Rankin Inlet, NU)  |
| September 26-27, 2022 | Public Hearing (Thompson, MB)  |
| October 24-27, 2022   | Public Hearing (Pond Inlet, NU)  |
| November 14-19, 2022  | Public Hearing (Iqaluit, NU)   |
| January 10, 2023      | DNLUP record closes - final written comments due   |

If you have any questions regarding the written submissions received on the 2021 DNLUP or require more information on the upcoming Regional Public Hearings, please contact Solomon Amuno at: [samuno@nunavut.ca](mailto:samuno@nunavut.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Planning Commission

## APPENDIX A

For each question asked, participants are asked to include a clear reference to the sections of the 2021 DNLUP and associated documents, or the applicable document section, and/or page number of the relevant written submission where the question arises from. Participants are encouraged to structure their questions by issue and are requested to be concise. A tabular presentation is provided below to assist participants on how to organize their written questions to any party.

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| <b>From:</b> [Name]<br>[Organization]  | <b>To:</b><br>[Name]<br>[Organization]   |
| Comment Number   | e.g. #1  |
| Subject/Topic  | e.g. Caribou; linear infrastructure  |
| References to 2021 DNLUP and O&R documents/Maps  | (i.e. document section/sub-section, page number, etc.)   |
| References to Written Submission   | (i.e. document section/sub-section, page number, etc.)   |
| Importance of question to the Nunavut Land Use Plan Process  |  |
| Question #1 (to which a participant/agency/community organization/individual is asked to respond to or give an opinion on) | e.g can the xxxx clarify and provide additional evidence supporting their claim that the xxxx river is a heritage area that should be designated Limited Use with year-round prohibitions? |

Appendix B– Registration Form

FORM 1 - REGISTRATION AS PARTICIPANT

NPC FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT MATTER: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(name or description)

REGISTRATION AS PARTICIPANT

DATE OF PUBLIC NOTICE \_\_\_\_\_

1. I, *(please print name)*: \_\_\_\_\_ completing this form to register as a Participant in the above-noted Proceeding:
- a. ☐ for myself
  - b. ☐ as a representative of a single Person; or
  - c. ☐ on behalf of a group, association, or coalition of Persons.

If acting as a representative for another Person, or for a group, association, or coalition, please identify the Person (or Persons) you are representing:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. I intend to participate in the above-noted Proceeding *(check any that apply)*
- a. ☐ In writing;
  - b. ☐ Orally if a Hearing is held.

3. I request an opportunity to make oral comments

- a. ☐ Yes  
b. ☐ No

4. I intend to participate in the following language (*check any that apply*)

- a. ☐ Inuktitut (please specify dialect): \_\_\_\_\_  
b. ☐ English  
c. ☐ French

5. My contact information, or the contact information of my representative is (*note this information will be made public*):

- a. Address for electronic delivery of Notices to Participants and other materials (e.g. via electronic mail, fax):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(*By providing this address you consent to receive all communications electronically.*)

- b. Address for physical delivery of Notices to Participants and other materials (e.g. via mail or courier):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(*By providing this address you consent to receive all communications physically and agree to pay the Commission reasonable fees for providing physical copies.*)

6. I have information, knowledge, or a view on the following issues:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(attach additional pages if required)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

[*Print Name & Name of Participant if different from person completing form*]

Date: \_\_\_\_\_