

**PUBLIC COMMENTS
FROM NIRB AND NWB
PUBLIC REGISTRIES**

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Re: Public Comments from NIRB and NWB Public Registries

Dear Mr. Boyd:

Enclosed please find a final report summarizing public comments from regulatory hearings found on the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and Nunavut Water Board (NWB) public registries, relevant to the development of the Nunavut Land Use Plan. This final report assembles information by project location, date, and source.

All information will be provided as an Excel database for your records, which will allow you to search and verify sources of each comment.

Yours truly,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ann Peters", is written over a light blue circular stamp.

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1 Introduction

This report assembles public comments related to land use issues from regulatory reviews and hearings by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). Dillon prepared this compilation of comments at the request of the Nunavut Planning Commission, pursuant one of the recommendations included in the Independent Review of the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (the Review) completed by Dillon in July, 2012. The Review explains the purpose of this exercise as follows:

“Experience with regulatory hearings should provide valuable insights into the types of land use issues that are arising in Nunavut and the concerns and priorities of Inuit and other residents. It should therefore help with issue scoping, providing a source of input that appears to be largely missing from the development of the plan so far. Furthermore, documenting concerns raised in the regulatory system will provide a good starting point for engaging the public and stakeholders in the planning process at the community level. Showing that NPC has identified and considered the views that people have already expressed about land use issues will show responsiveness and provide a basis for a discussion of how the DNLUP can and should address these concerns. We recognize that the views expressed in project-specific regulatory hearings may not translate directly into input on issues, objectives, priorities and actions for the planning process, but we believe they are one useful source of input.”

By compiling and considering public input from the NIRB and NWB hearings the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) will be better able to demonstrate that the process followed in developing the Nunavut land use plan is consistent with the principles of the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement.

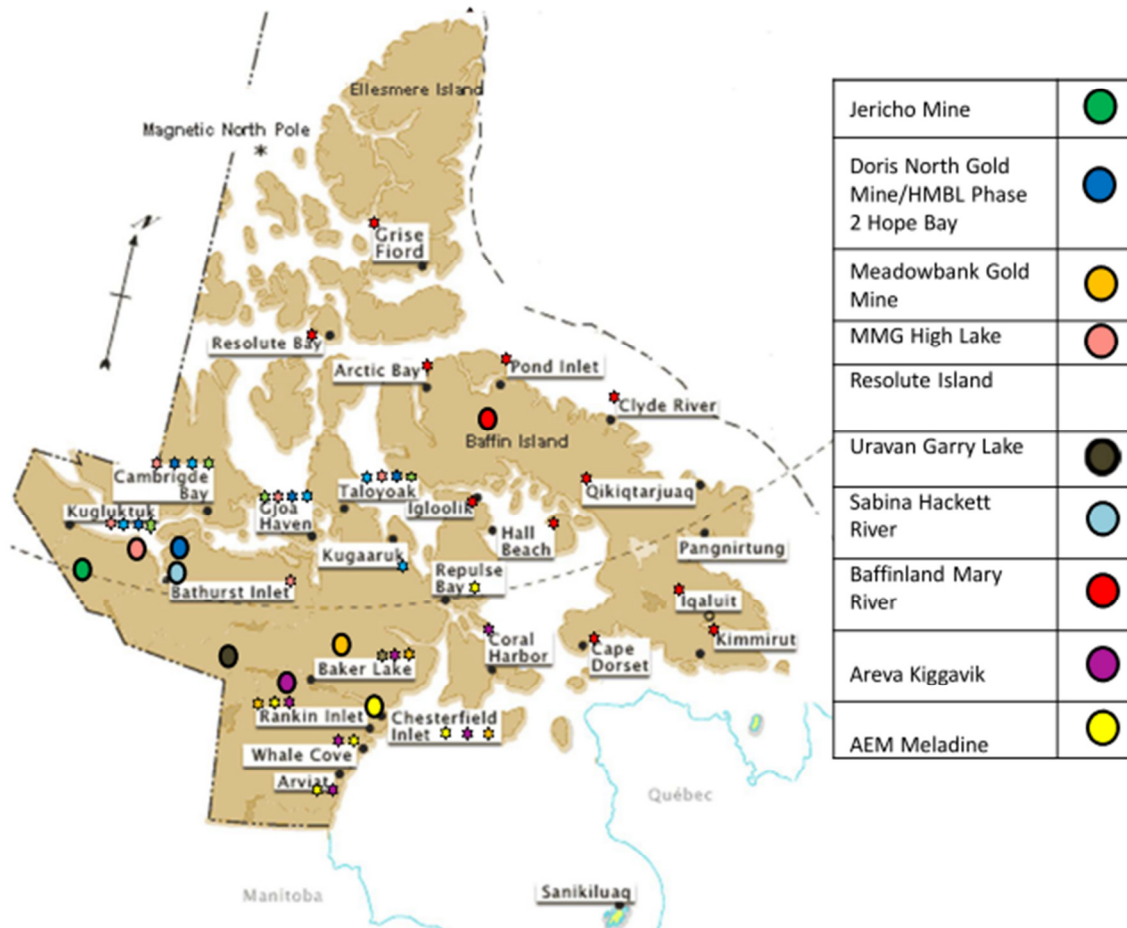
Dillon searched both the NIRB and NWB public registries for public comments in December, 2012. We commenced our work by getting familiar with the organization of the public registries, and information filing systems. The public registries of each organization are organized by project, and files are set up to generally correspond with their review process. A searchable Excel database was developed to allow the source of each comment to be traced. This database will be transferred electronically to NPC.

2 Comments from the Nunavut Impact Review Board Public Registry

Public comments related to individual projects are available from the NIRB public registry date from 2001 to the present.

2.1 Project Locations

The map below shows the location of projects that were the subject of public comments found on the NIRB site, with the exception of one project whose locations we were unable to confirm from information available in the registry. The stars next to community names indicate the source of public comments related to each project.



2.2 Public Comments

The table on the next page lists shows a listing of all Nunavut communities, and indicates the source of public comments documented in this report. Note that a ‘C’ indicates a completed review, and an ‘A’ indicates an active review at the time of our research.

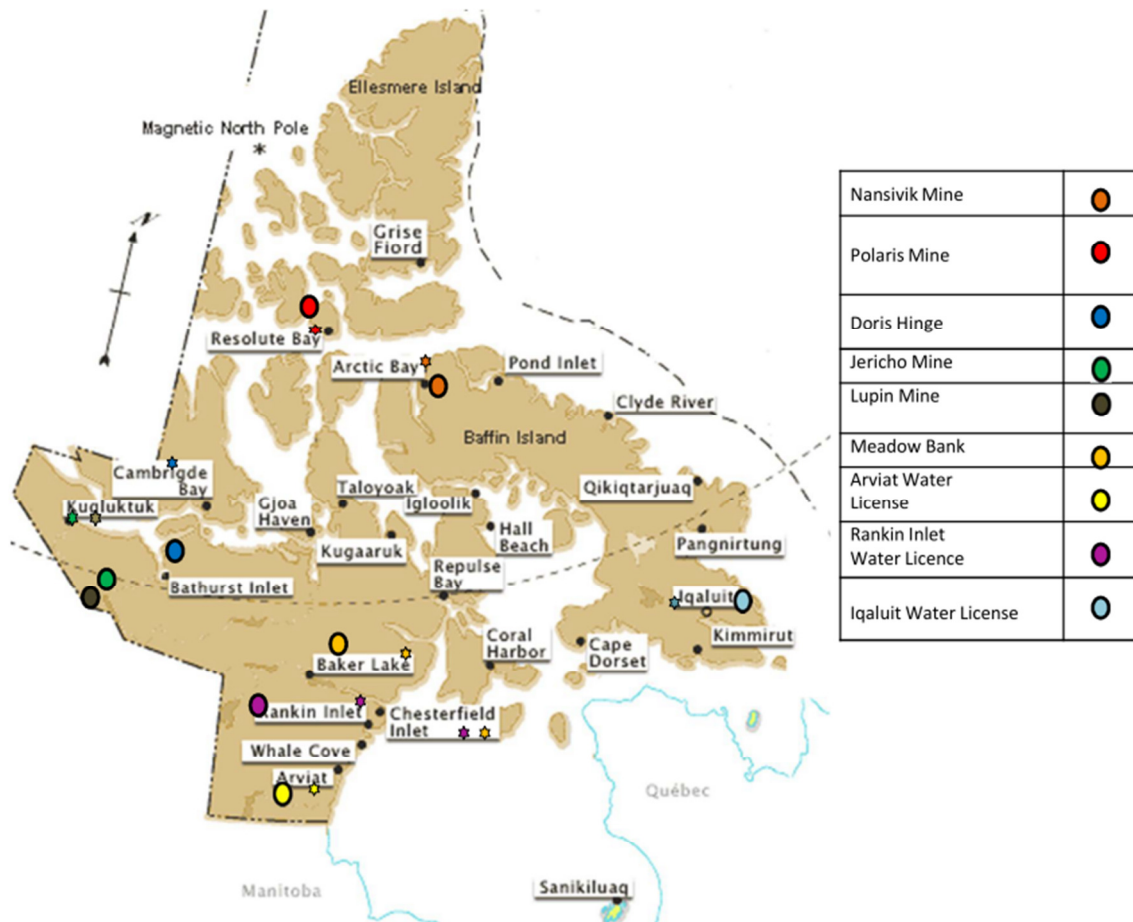
Public comments from all communities with the exception of Pangnirtung and Sanikiluaq are compiled in **Appendix A** of this report.

Region	Community	Jericho Diamond Mine	Doris North Gold Mine 2004	Meadowbank Gold Mine	Doris North Gold Mine 2006	MMG High Lake	Resolution Island Clean-Up	Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	Uravan Garry Lake	Sabina Hackett River	Baffinland Mary River	Areva Kiggavik	AEM Meliadine	HBML Phase 2 Hope Bay
Baffin	Arctic Bay										A			
	Cape Dorset										A			
	Clyde River										A			
	Grise Fiord										A			
	Hall Beach										A			
	Igloolik										A			
	Iqaluit										A			
	Kimmirut										A			
	Pangnirtung													
	Pond Inlet										A			
	Qikiqtarjuaq										A			
	Resolute										A			
	Sanikiluaq													
Kitikmeot	Cambridge Bay	C	C		C	C		A		A				
	Kugaaruk					C		A		A				
	Gjoa Haven	C	C			C		A		A				
	Kugluktuk	C	C		C	C		A		A				
	Taloyoak	C	C		C	C		A		A				
Kivalliq	Arviat											A	A	
	Baker Lake			C					A			A	A	
	Chesterfield Inlet			C								A	A	
	Coral Harbour											A	A	
	Rankin Inlet			C								A	A	
	Repulse Bay											A		
	Whale Cove											A	A	
	Umingmaktok					C		A						
	Bathurst Inlet					C				A				

3 Nunavut Water Board Public Registry

Information currently available on the NWB public registry is limited, however a representative sample of public comments is provided.

3.1 Locations of Hearings



3.2 Public Comments

The table below shows a listing of all Nunavut communities, and indicates the source of public comments documented in this report. The searchable database provides the NWB file number to allow comments to be traced in the future.

Public comments from the communities identified are compiled in [Appendix B](#) of this report.

		Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	Polaris Mine Closure	Doris Hinge Project	Jericho Mine	Lupin Mine	Meadowbank Mine	Hamlet of Arviat Water Licence	Rankin Inlet Water Licence	Iqaluit Water License
Baffin	Arctic Bay	•								
	Cape Dorset									
	Clyde River									
	Grise Fiord									
	Hall Beach									
	Iglolik									
	Iqaluit									•
	Kimmirut									
	Pangnirtung									
	Pond Inlet									
	Qikiqtarjuaq									
	Resolute Bay		•							
	Sanikiluaq									
Kitikmeot	Cambridge Bay			•						
	Kugaaruk									
	Gjoa Haven									
	Kugluktuk				•	•				
	Taloyoak									
Kivalliq	Arviat							•		
	Baker Lake						•			
	Chesterfield Inlet									
	Coral Harbour									
	Rankin Inlet								•	
	Repulse Bay									
	Whale Cove									
	Bathurst Inlet									
	Umingmaktok									

APPENDIX A

Public Comments NIRB Public Registry

Summary of Public Comments

<i>Project</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Source</i>
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	4-Jun-02	Hamlet Council reviewed the project description but was not able to provide adequate comments on the EIS process.	Hamlet of Kugluktuk - comments on project description
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	7-Aug-02	Concerns about the environmental affects that will occur on Inuit Owned Lands and on Nunavut Waters	NTI - Comments to the Federal Minister
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	14-Jun-03	Expressed concerns about the impact the proposed road will have on the natural environment, the plants, animals and people -Identified that people of Bathurst rely on caribou for about 80% of their food supply	Bob & Enid Fanning (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	5-Aug-03	Concerned about the affects the road development will have on the natural environment and ability to practice the 'First Nations' People's way-of-life.	Janet Russell (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	5-Aug-03	Concerned for the natural environment and the traditional way of life for the people who live there.	Peter Heyes (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	18-Aug-03	Concerned for the following: - Loss of tourism potential - Concerns over the shipping in the area - route will be risky.	Page Burt (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	17-Aug-03	Concerned of the impact the project will have on the Lodge. Known as a remote wilderness eco-lodge.	Bathurst Inlet Lodge
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	12-Aug-03	Concerned about the archeological and historical importance of the Inlet.	Janet Watkinson (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	23-Jun-03	Identified concerns regarding the Bathurst Caribou Herd. The Bathurst Herd is expected to migrate across the proposed road alignment. This will have significant impacts on the well-being of the herd.	Canadian Artic Resources Committee - Comments
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	7-May-02	NTI concurs with NIRB that NLCA section 12.4.4(b) would be the appropriate option (the proposal requires review under Part 5 or 6) with the qualification that a review be conducted as per part 5 and not part 6 of article 12 of the NLCA.	NTI - Comments to NIRB

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Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	6-Aug-03	Expresses concerns the lands and waters. For example worried about: -fishing -hunting -pollution	John Panegyuk (Bathurst Inlet)
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	2-Jun-02	Expressed concerns about the shipping port being proposed. Could have greater affects on the environment than identified by the proponent.	Letter from Bathurst Inlet Lodge
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	24-Jun-04	Issues identified: -company should play by the rules of traditional knowledge, keep the area clean, and non-hazardous chemicals be left alone -disturbance of the area with the heavy equipment -report mishaps when they happen so they can be taken care of -caribou migration should not be disturbed	Sam Kuliktana - Scoping Concerns
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	8-Jul-04	Concerns raised include: -how will TK be utilized for this project? -Will hunting (or loss of hunting) be considered? -Can future migration routes of the hers that migrate through the area annually. Impacts on other animals is not yet known. -what affect will the new shipping routes have on marine animals?	NTI Lands Division - Cambridge Bay
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	9-Jul-04	Concerned about the pace of development, moving too fast and will have harmful affects for both the land and those who derive their livelihood from it. - would like to see the project move slower, focus on how the existing projects affect the fragile ecology.	Pamala Gahr/Brenda Cram/Erik Hobbie
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	3-Sep-04	Comments on scoping reflect concerns over the affects the development will have on the tourism business.	Bathurst Inlet Lodge
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	8-Sep-04	Would like the project scoping to include the water as well as the land. -would like to see all important historical sites protected -	Doris Kingneklak (Bathurst Inlet)

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Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	24-Mar-08	Concerns about the affects of pollution on the plants and animals and how that will affect the traditional way of the life for the Inuit people. Identifies specifically the affect this will have on the caribou as a result of development on their migratory routes. The proposed port could have affects on the length of time for the ice. This could affect Inuit hunting patterns and increase the mortality rate of the caribou, should they fall through the ice.	Comments - John Panegyuk - Bathurst Inlet
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	10-Mar-08	Concerns about potential for oil spills on land and in water, including appropriate clean-up procedures - Concern about potential of road to interfere with animal migration -changes to community re-supply routes	Kugluktuk - Community Visit
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	10-Mar-08	Fuel storage and spill contingency planning Waste disposal methods Sewage treatment and water supply Worker rotations Airstrip	Cambridge Bay - Community Visit
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	12-Mar-08	Clarification on the number of water crossings required for road Potential for impacts to caribou migration Concerns regarding potential for ice-breaking for shipping Alternatives assessments for road routing Potential for contamination of country foods	Gjoa Haven - Community Visit
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	14-Mar-08	Who would be policing the road/checking to make sure that the trucks are allowed to be on the road? Who hunts caribou in the project area? Have HTOs in the surrounding communities been consulted?	Taloyoak - Community Visit
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	15-Mar-08	Traditional Use of the project area by Inuit	Kugaaruk - Community Visit

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Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project	17-Mar-08	Concerns regarding: cumulative impacts of two deep sea ports in the Kitikmeot (High Lake and BIPR) potential for ice-breaking associated with shipping and related impacts to caribou crossing fuel storage and contingency plans Impacts to water quality at Contwoyto Lake - an important source of water for local people Use of BIPR road by hunters	Bathurst Inlet-Community Visit
Uravan Garry Lake	1-Dec-08	Concern with the breeding Beverley Caribou herd native to the area	Bob Cronin David Pelly Michael Peake Robert Dowler Gerald Guay Kathy Bergguist Max Finkelstein Shelia & David Harris Andrew Cumming Arthur Saunders Genny Cardin J.Mark Stiles John Groves Karsten Heuer Michal Anne Crawley- Jamew Turpie Muriel How Paul vanPeenen Peter Albrecht Richard Jenks Robert D. Dannert Tera Orchard
Uravan Garry Lake	12-Dec-08	Concerned about the affects the drilling activity will have on the Beverly Caribou Herd.	Ed Labenski

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Uravan Garry Lake	14-Nov-08	<p>Concerns raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Garry Lake Project, found in historical caribou for calving, this could affect migration -Burial sites are important - need sites to be identified and protected -Vegetation is affected by exploration activities, lichen in particular is important for caribou - aircrafts flying low can scare the caribou <p>Beverly herd is in an extremely vulnerable state</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Inuit harvesting times are primarily in the spring and winter months, by snow machine - taste of caribou changes when it is scared by an aircraft - people are worried about how the communities will survive. <p>Garry Lake area is special to the Inuit- should use traditional place names when communicating with people</p>	Workshop Baker Lake
Sabina Hackett River	25-Feb-08	Identified the proposal has potential for significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects and will likely cause significant public concern.	KIA Letter - Hackett River Project NIRB Part 4 Screening (summarized comments)
Sabina Hackett River	28-Feb-12	The proposed mine and it's link to the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road have potential impacts on the calving grounds of the Bathurst Caribou herd and the people who are dependent upon the herd for subsistence.	Canadian Arctic Resources Committee - Comments (summarized comments)
Sabina Hackett River	23-Jan-09	Identified the need to consider the well-being of residents outside of the Nunavut Settlement Area, trans-boundary issues must involve reporting the discussion with Wildlife Management Boards for all Caribou herds in Canada as well as users and stake holders.	Canadian Arctic Resources Committee - Comments on the DEIS (summarized)
Sabina Hackett River	0-Jan-00	Identified the need to collect TK information appropriately so it can be considered properly.	KIA- Comments on the DEIS (summarized)

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Sabina Hackett River	15-Oct-08	<p>Residents Indented the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -interference with wildlife migration patterns, especially for caribou -calving grounds near the project -tailings management, disposal of metals and other waste products -garbage should be keep away from wildlife and disposed properly to prevent wildlife from coming into camp. 	Gjoa Haven - EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)
Sabina Hackett River	16-Oct-08	<p>Residents identified the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -climate change -all weather road will cause, problems with dust control, impacts on vegetation, temporary camps and quarries not prepared for refuse and spills, environmental standards to be upheld by all contractors -preservation of heritage resources - potential for contamination of the Hackett River and effects to fish -roads, blasting and the use of dynamite may contaminate water or land which can affect wildlife -Blasting may scare away wildlife or interfere with migration routes of caribou, muskoxen and other animals -contamination of air from burning of garbage and fuels -all-weather road south from Bathurst Inlet crosses traditional hunting grounds -increase protection of the environment considering the high level of mining activity in the Kitikmeot region -mine site will drive wildlife farther away, how will people be able to pay for the expense of travelling farther to hunt? 	Kugluktuk - EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)
Sabina Hackett River	0-Jan-00	<p>Residents identified the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - spills or other contamination of the Burnside/Hackett Rivers and potential for impacts to Bathurst Inlet 	Umingaktok- EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)
Sabina Hackett River	27-Oct-08	<p>Residents identified the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -concern Kugaaruk was not on the Proponent's map of the region 	Kugaaruk- EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)

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Sabina Hackett River	28-Oct-08	<p>Residents identified the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mine related barges and ships may interfere with community resupply, especially in the narrow straights - tailings, potential for animals to come into contact, prescience of chemicals, depth and surface area of tailings ponds -all-weather roads to interfere with caribou migration routes -potential spills, malfunctions, accidents along the road route -potential for cumulative impacts -destruction of archaeological resources that are sacred to people - potential impacts to vegetation and wildlife from the use of explosives -trans boundary affects -climate change, ozone layer, and the incineration of plastics at mine sites -dust control on all-winter road 	Taloyoak- EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)
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Sabina Hackett River	October 29-31, 2008	<p>Residents identified the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -dewatering of lakes, depth and surface area to be dewatered -usage of water once lakes dewatered -volume of fuel storage at the port site -changes to the environment post-project approval, especially regarding shipping routes and potential effects of shipping to marine wildlife (walrus) and how these effects would be addressed -concerns about migration routes and monitoring of them - temporal bounds of studies, use of historical Traditional Knowledge -water crossing and potential effects to fish -wildlife - related questions about land farms and camp wastes -need noise study to be in place at Hackett River project, that the noise study at Snap Lake was used for BIRP, but was insufficient -potential for icebreaking -effects on land/wildlife how will the ships affect this? -winter and summer road usage especially in relation to wildlife -Impacts of roads and water crossings fish -abandonment and restoration should leave the land very close to perfect -the effect of climate change on the migration patterns of caribou and grizzly -tailings, sewage, waste rock, and land farm leachate affecting wildlife -how are proposed shipping routes assessed -effects to the caribou, and future migration patterns, distance for subsistence hunters to travel may increase as a result of this project. 	Cambridge Bay- EIS Scoping Meeting Open House - Comments (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	19-Sep-07	<p>Residents identified concerns about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -disturbance to wildlife, including the potential for the rail line to interrupt caribou migration -social and cultural changes in the community if the project proceeds -questions about environmental monitoring and Inuit involvement in monitoring 	Clyde River Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal

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Baffinland Mary River	20-Sep-07	Residents identified concerns about: -disturbance to wildlife, including air traffic disturbance to caribou at a time when the number of caribou is low; the potential for the rail line to interrupt caribou migration; and ship disturbance to narwhal	Pond Inlet Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal
Baffinland Mary River	24-Sep-07	Residents identified concerns about: - potential wildlife disturbance, including low-flying aircraft affecting hunters, and shipping effects to walrus and how this will affect Igloolikmiut, with reference to shipping for Nanisivik affecting the distribution of narwhal for Artic Bays hunters -potential environmental effects of explosives residue from blasting and ore geochemistry -potential for the rail line to interrupt the migration of caribou towards Artic Bay, and whether or not compensation will be provided for lost harvests -once the train is running, caribou will get used to the train in the way they got used to people in the past	Artic Bay Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal
Baffinland Mary River	No date provided	Residents identified concerns about: -comments that animals are affected by hunting, and if the Project is done right, that the animals should not be bothered -helicopters affecting hunting -will soap stone be available if mining is taking place?	Igloolik Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal
Baffinland Mary River	No date provided	Residents identified concerns about: -Will Mary River soapstone be available, if so will people need to go through Baffinland for soapstone in the future? -are plans in place to deal with emergency situations and wildlife?	Hall Beach Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal

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Baffinland Mary River	No date provided	Residents identified concerns about: -are there important wildlife areas around the Project -have alternative railway options have been considered?	Iqaluit Stakeholder Engagement - Comments - Mary River Project Development Proposal
Baffinland Mary River	12-May-08	Expressed following concerns: -proposed shipping route through Foxe Basin and Hudson Strait is a concern for communities that depend on the marine mammals in that enclosed system. -Cape Dorset and Kimmirut are also concerned about the huge ships passing so close to their communities	QIA Comments - MaryRiver Project Proposal
Baffinland Mary River	23-May-08	Concerned about: -water quality -terrain -air quality -wildlife and their habitat -marine mammals and their habitat -birds and their habitat -fish and their habitat -heritage resources -traditional uses of land -Inuit harvesting activities -community involvement and consultation -human health issues	Hamlet of Artic Bay - Comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	16-May-08	Identifies that the project could have adverse effects on the ecosystem, wildlife habitat or Inuit Harvesting activities.	NTI - Comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)

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Baffinland Mary River	0-Jan-00	<p>Concerned about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -water quality -terrain -wildlife and their habitat -marine mammals and their habitat -fish and their habitat -heritage resources 	Hamlet of Pond Inlet- Comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	8-Jun-08	no comments provided in English	Igloolik Hunters and Trappers Organization - Comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	4-Jun-08	<p>Concerned that the proposal is large and ambitious in scope. It will likely have long lasting adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic impacts that the environmental review and assessment must address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the EIS must address the ecological effects on the environment and on harvesting activities in light of other projects proposed in the Foxe Basin. Concerned about the continued dependence upon the living resources for sustenance. 	Hamlet of Igloolik- Comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	16-May-08	Concerned about the lack of understanding on how the project will affect the Caribou which is scarce at this time near Mary River	Israel Mablick - comments on Mary River Project Proposal (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	6-Jun-12	<p>Represents the collective interests of the Nunavik Inuit, have expressed concerns regarding long term residual and cumulative ecosystemic impacts specifically related to ship passage through Hudson Strait. Concerns include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -direct impacts on various biota traditionally harvested by the Inuit -impacts of the Inuit right to harvest these species 	Makivik Corporation - Comments to Government of Canada (summarized)

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Baffinland Mary River	9-Apr-09	Concerned with the proposed route through the Hudson Strait and the affects it could have on the beluga whales in their annual migration. Large aggregations of whales from various genetically distinct stocks overwinter in Hudson Strait. Concerned about the potential impact on commercial fishing or tourism activities that the Inuit of Nunavik are currently or may be engaged	Makivik Corporation - Scoping Comments (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	9-Apr-09	No major land use issues raised.	QIA - Comments on Scoping

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Baffinland Mary River	March 29-31, 2009	<p>Residents concerns include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Company does not have a clear understanding of the importance of wildlife to the way of life of residents in Pond Inlet and Igloolik -project will have impact on caribou, seals, marine mammals etc. it will impact traditional activities, and lifestyles - noise from helicopters and other air traffic, ground traffic, and blasting operations from exploration activities has affected wildlife in the past -Caribou population is declining since exploration started in 2004 - hunters now go farther to hunt -caribou are changing migration routes -caribou not as available as before -no caribou where they are working near Mary River area -ore crushing and related dust settlement on the vegetation will have a resulting impact on wildlife -Marine shipping will have impacts on marine mammals -Wildlife is rich in the shipping route -seal and other marine animals are impacted by the noise from ships -Narwhales and seals in Steensby Inlet would be scared away by ships -Migratory birds have changed migration routes in the Mary River Project Area - hunters did not find geese in the area where they use to. -Should be no shipping activities in winter in Milne Inlet because seals have their pups and whales will be calving -exchange from ballast water may introduce exotic organisms which then may impact the marine environment -consider shipping out of Nanisivik, there is a traditional trail between Mary River and Nanisivik passing through an ice cap. -to many communities, they Mary River is a sacred site. 	Pond Inlet - Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
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Baffinland Mary River	April 2-3, 2009	<p>Residents concerns include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -what information exists regarding wildlife casualties on railways in other regions? -wildlife migration routes can change as a result of various factors such as vegetation loss - consideration should be given to the fact that the proposed railway route cuts across the area where rich vegetation exists. -proposed railway will cause caribou to change their original feeding grounds and move farther away from project area -caribou casualties on the railway due to collision with trains -alternative to proposed railway which goes along east coast, taking into account that there is a variety of wildlife in the Steensby Inlet area -Steensby Inlet is a traditional caribou hunting ground, with some Igloodik community members using the areas as long ago as the 1940's -impacts to wildlife and human health from noise caused by aircraft, railway, shipping and port operations. -concerns for sustainability of renewable resources for future generations, such as wildlife and country food given the impacts on wildlife from railway and shipping -impact of marine mammals due to water blasting and dredging in the Steensby Inlet area -Caribou previously migrated to Artic Bay from East to West, and now they might migrate to the East or South. They migrate North in the fall and back South in spring. Concerns are related to impacts on caribou populations from railway operation, as the Mary River area is very important caribou calving ground -Ski-doo crossing facilities over the proposed railway that could be used for hunting, and also concern for the safety of hunters given the high traffic and high speed of trains and the railway - 	<p>Artic Bay - Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)</p>
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Baffinland Mary River	April 4-5, 2009	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -will community receive compensation for impacts to hunting? -project occurs within caribou calving grounds -community members have been hunting in the Mary River area since before 2000 -shipping routes with deeper waters should be chosen; some of the proposed shipping areas in Foxe Basin are shallow -impact on year round shipping to on-ice dog team travel -impacts on terrestrial wildlife by railway and to marine mammals from shipping -potential disposal of waste oils and greases in the Mary River as there will be a lot of vehicles -wildlife will be impacted by diseases associated with mine development - land travel between communities is a concern, will it be more difficult to travel if a mine and railroad are in the way? -potential impacts to marine mammals and possible mortality of wildlife due to under water blasting -railway will impact Inuit hunting ground and hunting activities in project areas- will there be any compensation in this regard? 	Resolute- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	April 6-8, 2009	<p>Residents Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Inuit traditional way of life and wildlife taking into account the mine development and climate change. Caribou population decreasing due to increased shipping -impacts on wildlife from contamination and pollution related to the project -railway should go east to avoid having adverse impacts on marine mammals -alternative rail and sea routes should be considered, as the proposed railway route is located on a caribou migration route, and shipping route will affect marine wildlife -will there be potential for hunters to use the railway and trains after mine closure, or must hunters pay Baffinland if they want to use them? -ice breaking, as sea ice in Foxe Basin is used by the nearby communities to facilitate travel -impacts to various sea birds at Hall Beach, and waterfowl at the Steensby Inlet 	Grise Fiord- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)

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Baffinland Mary River	April 16-18, 2009	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -opposed to the proposed shipping route -impacts on land/water from ongoing project activities and concerns for cumulative impacts when added to possible future project activities -shipping route through Foxe Basin, via Coral Harbour and Hudson Strait is identified as the preferred route, which will have impact walrus the local resident depend on as country food -whole marine ecosystems should be carefully evaluated as the shipping and the shipping route will affect the whole ecosystem, from sea birds to marine mammals, even scavengers - the lifespan of wildlife will be affected. -cultural/values conflicts resulting from Mary River project - project area is caribou hunting ground, will Baffinland allow hunting? -rangers use the project area from May to June for their annual drill, how will the Project affect the yearly military program? -Caribou can adopt to the change and migrate to other places, the important concern is the impact on marine mammals from the proposed shipping route -will community still be able to access traditional and current hunting grounds in the Mary River area once mine is in operation? -4000 archaeological sites/tent rings in the Project areas, how will they be protected? -travel between Igloolik and Clyde River happens year round-the mine is right in the middle, will this affect way of life? -impacts on vegetation, as taking the vegetation in the artic recovers very slowly if it is impacted. Will the railroad cause damage? -Mary River is a caribou hunting ground, but caribou are moving away from the area. -Shipping operations will affect marine mammals given the big size of ships and the contaminants that come along with ships. -mine site is close to rivers, the dust from the mine will impact fish habitat - what migration measures will be adopted to offset this impact? 	Igloolik- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
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Baffinland Mary River	April 19-21, 2009	<p>Residents Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Concerns over impacts of caribou migration across the rail line -Caribou cycle is around 30 years due to slow vegetation recover - there were not caribou in Artic Bay years ago, and they have been back around after 30 years. -Bowhead whales move back north in June, and July is the most active season for hunting of walrus, fishing and geese. Mid-August is the best time to hunt caribou, as the hide is the best for clothing. 	Hall Beach- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	April 22-23, 2009	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shipping routes will have negative impacts on marine wildlife, including noise -Foxe Basin is a polar bear feeding/calving area, this shipping route will impact polar bears - significantly -Numerous marine mammals live in Foxe Basin year round including seals, walrus, bowhead whales, and the Coral Harbour area is a mating/calving area. -Due to food chain connections, the impacts on seal and walrus will ultimately impact polar bears, which is already on risk list -Concerns for wildlife, as belugas have been declining in Rankin Inlet due to high volume of marine traffic, the same concern for Mary River Project 	Coral Harbour- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	25-Apr-09	<p>Resident concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Big walrus herds and other marine mammals nearby, concerns for the impact on these walrus and other marine mammals -mammals are a major source of country food, therefore residents of Cape Dorset should get compensation/royalties -impact on hunting activities and associated traditional lifestyle. -Marine mammals migrate in spring, and there are concerns over potential impacts on the marine mammals from shipping and noise -Land, water and ice will all be impacted, and shipping will change everything -air pollution will affect the marine habitat, sea birds and migratory birds will be impacted as they come to Cape Dorset Annually 	Cape Dorset- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)

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Baffinland Mary River	26-Apr-09	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - project will impact marine mammals as well as land mammals. How will marine mammals and marine habitat be protected if an ice breaker accident -community relies on marine mammals which will be impacted -how will the railroad affect land mammals such as caribou? - shipping route passes through traditional hunting ground, where residents hunt whales in the winter season -community doesn't want to lose traditional way of life, shipping route will threaten that -what is the future of country food if the shipping route is built? -Foxe Basin is the habitat and migration routes of walrus, beluga whales, seal and polar bears. Concerns over noise impacts on marine environment - marine shipping will impact the whole region -Ballast water coming into the sea port area, this will impact the whole ecosystem -ice breaking could contribute to global warming -protection of burial sites in project areas 	Kimmirut- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	6-May-09	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Railway will impact wildlife, in particular caribou -Can the port be located elsewhere? -Mary River Project is located on an earthquake zone 	Clyde River- Public Scoping Meeting Notes, NIRB Scoping Report (Summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	March, 2009	<p>Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -will hunters get extra compensation if they have to travel far? -railroad will stop the migration of the caribou -salt and chlorine will destroy the land -area is a feeding ground for caribou -don't want it to affect the breeding areas for the narwhales -run-off water quality, disruption of terrain for land mammals -tailings put underground will affect the fish habitat 	Scoping Meeting Comment Forms - March(summarized comments)
Baffinland Mary River	May, 2009	<p>Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Project is located within in a high risk earthquake zone 	Scoping Meeting Comment Forms - May(summarized comments)

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Baffinland Mary River	10-Apr-11	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -worried about Steensby Port option, would prefer the Milne Inlet - worry about the impacts on caribou -Steensby will not only impact wildlife but everything in the marine environment -impact to wildlife when they release ballast water in the region - impacts of invasive species -some sections of the Foxe Basin are shallow -mining activity and shipping routes will disturb wildlife -how will the mine tailings impact rivers, streams and lakes which are important sources of fish including lake trout and Arctic char 	Igloolik - Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	April 11-12, 2011	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -proposed shipping route in Foxe Basin will drive ships away that come through -Once exploration activities started, the caribou calving grounds were affected -land-locked fish - land animals, affected by road construction 	Hall Beach - Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	April 13-14, 2011	<p>Resident concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -marine life and company liability for any wildlife destroyed -community relies on the land -what are the potential impacts to wildlife? 	Coral Harbour - Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	14-Apr-11	<p>Resident concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -will there be snowmobile crossings over the railroad? - will there be studies on wildlife distribution? -have there been studies on the effects of shipping on walruses and other marine animals? 	Cape Dorset - Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	April 17-18, 2011	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -impact of the project will be on marine mammals especially walruses, seals and whales - shipping routes will scare the marine mammals sending them further from the community - this is our main dietary source 	Kimmirut - Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)

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Baffinland Mary River	May 1-2, 2011	Resident Concerns: - wildlife research was conducted by Baffinland, how did they come to their conclusions? - have to go farther to hunt -Concern for impacts to fish off the small Island in Milne Inlet -Mary River is my camping spot so I'll be uprooted	Pond Inlet- Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	May 3-4, 2011	Resident Concerns: - shipping route through Lancaster Sound and Eclipse Sound by Nanisivik was hunting areas for marine mammals. This could happen again -People in Igloolik and Hall Beach are worried about impacts on walrus. These communities send us walrus meat. Also caribou calving grounds will be impacted. We presently go to Repulse Bay to hunt caribou.	Artic Bay- Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	May 5-6, 2011	Resident Concerns: - we rely on the environment, we rely on our wildlife hence any negative impacts will be very damaging as humans, wildlife and environment are connected	Resolute- Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	8-May-11	Resident Concerns: -assessment of impact on terrestrial wildlife focused exclusively on caribou for significance assessment but they should have included other terrestrial animal including lemmings, every species plays a role in a healthy ecosystem	Grise Fiord- Meeting Notes - NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	4-Jul-12	Comments: -is it possible to give details about the land which would be worked on?	Igloolik Comment Forms
Baffinland Mary River	5-Jul-12	Comments: -caribou will return to the North Baffin -after 10 or 20 years what will happen with the west side of Nunavut gets more birds or other animals? -shipping will have harmful effects on Marine wildlife	Pond Inlet Comment Forms

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Baffinland Mary River	no date provided	Dr. Susan LeBlanc, has identified important culture and Archaeological components to the surrounding area, her conclusion is that a moratorium should be put in place for Steensby Inlet area and the railway alignment leading the Steensby Inlet as a necessary measure to prevent the implementation of any archaeological mitigation until the issues raised for the area have been addressed.	Hamlet of Igloolik S LeBlanc Technical Review (archeology)
Baffinland Mary River	4-Oct-11	Community members have grave reservations over the Steensby site.	Hamlet of Igloolik Technical Review Comments (summarized)
Baffinland Mary River	22-Feb-12	Participants had questions about how known and discovered artifacts will be handled.	Igloolik Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report
Baffinland Mary River	22-Feb-12	Participants had questions about how artifacts will be handled - especially around the Milne Inlet Work	Pond Inlet Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report
Baffinland Mary River	13-Mar-12	Resident Concerns: -concerned about bulk fuel storage and potential impact on wildlife like walrus	Clyde River Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report
Baffinland Mary River	20-Mar-12	Caribou cycles and when they are low will they be able to withstand the mine influences?	Artic Bay Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report
Baffinland Mary River	27-Mar-12	Asked about 2 alternative routes around Mill Island and asked about the use of the island by Cape Dorset Residents. Would climate change make a northwestern route option easier for ships to pass?	Cape Dorset Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report

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Baffinland Mary River	29-Mar-12	Concern raised about the ballast water handling procedures, means to eliminate invasive species	Kimmirut Community Meeting - Final EIS Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Report
Areva Kiggavik	unknown	Coalition recommends that NIRB consider all environmental and health issues related to mining uranium of the Kiggavik Project.	CCAMU (Community Coalition Against Mining Uranium) Comments
Areva Kiggavik	9-Feb-09	Concerns identified: -don't want caribou to get sick -water may be contaminated -Air quality might get into the meat -could contaminate the water animals/fish -Iron river flows into the community, which will have an impact on the fish and other wildlife	Hamlet of Baker Lake HTO - Comments (summarized)
Areva Kiggavik	10-Feb-09	Concerns: -no safe way to mine uranium, risk of contamination of the environment -negative impacts on the wildlife and more specifically caribou, their calving grounds and migration patterns -Thelon River is a heritage river and was designated so that future generations would benefit -	Barb Mueller
Areva Kiggavik	10-Feb-09	Concerns: - mine will have serious impacts on Beverly and Qaminirjuaq caribou herd - a main source of food for the community	Baker Lake Concerned Citizens Committee (BLCCC) - Comments

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Areva Kiggavik	0-Jan-00	Concerns: -loss of habitat, obstruction of caribou movements-from roads, mine pits, withdrawing water from lakes, construction of mine facilities, bridge crossing over the Thelon River etc. -Contamination of water, soil and vegetation - from transportation of ore, explosives, chemical and hazardous materials; wastewater and sewage treatment facilities, discharge of effluent, deposition from incineration of domestic wastes, increased dust from mining activities, including extraction, transportation, waste rock piles, etc. Contamination issues specific to uranium mining are of concern with regard to the health of caribou and people consuming caribou -Disturbance to caribou-from all transportation by ground or air of personnel, materials and supplies, and from the noise associated with construction and operation of all facilities	Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board (BQCMA) - Comments
Areva Kiggavik	10-Feb-09	Same comments as CCAMU	Mary Joe Cullen - Comments
Areva Kiggavik	10-Feb-09	no major comments	Jamie Kneen, Mining Watch Canada - Comments
Areva Kiggavik	18-Feb-09	no major land use comments	Baker Lake Comments
Areva Kiggavik	10-Feb-09	Concerns: -Caribou, Wildlife and their Habitat - cumulative effects of these uranium camps causes stress to the animals. -permafrost, temperatures are rising, this could lead to bigger problems -Water quality is fresh surrounding Baker Lake - this could be affected -Air Quality	Paula Hughson Comments
Areva Kiggavik	4-Mar-09	Concerns: -Water Quality, Terrain, air quality, wildlife and their habitat, marine mammals and their habitat, birds and their habitat, fish and their habitat, heritage resources in the area, traditional uses of land, Inuit harvesting activities, community involvement and consultation, local development in the area, tourism in the area, and human health issues.	Rankin HTO - Comments

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Areva Kiggavik	No date provided	Concerns: - how close to the community is considered too close for a uranium mine? -Why are so many people, communities, organizations, etc. still against uranium mining? -Is Areva willing to commit to managing radioactive waste from tailings for forever? -will the lake still be safe to drink from, when barge traffic increases?	Baker Lake Resident Feedback
Areva Kiggavik	0-Jan-00	No public comments	0
Areva Kiggavik	25-Nov-10	Concerns: -is against Uranium Mining, and feels the bad effects should be spoken about more often at community meetings.	Helen Qillaq, Chesterfield Inlet - Comments
Areva Kiggavik	4-Jan-11	Main Concerns: -Caribou migration routes will change, especially during fall -Roads will affect migration routes and crossings -Calving grounds -water crossings -falling into pits when migrating -aircraft disruption (noise pollution) in mating areas and hunting grounds -cumulative impacts in the region	CARC - Comments

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Areva Kiggavik	April 25-27, 2010	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -potential effects of uranium mining on the environment and the people -byproducts from uranium mining, what will happen to it, where will it be stored - will people be able to eat the wildlife and fish if it is contaminated? -area around Baker Lake is an important caribou habitat area; need to ensure migration routes are not impacted from many project proposals - water crossings, annual migration routes, need to be considered -Baker Lake Inuit can only hunt caribou and fish, no other types of animals are hunted -helicopters and planes disrupt the caribou in the mating areas/hunting grounds with their noise pollution - blasting and dust, what will be done for uranium dust? - area of proposed project have been used for many years and many generations, the area is still used to hunt for caribou and other furbearing animals. -proposed road to Prince River, this will restrict from going to the area because their are projects there. -Baker Lake Dock and Storage Facility is a concern, what affect will storing Uranium in the community have on human health? 	Baker Lake - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report (Summary)
Areva Kiggavik	April 28-29, 2010	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - pits have the potential for caribou to fall in when migrating -what are the potential impacts on the Kivalliq caribou herds and people from potential exposure to uranium? -Dead caribou have been found, concerned it might be junior companies in the region, Caribou is an important traditional food. -impacts to migration routes and wildlife disturbances -how will marine mammals migration routes be affected? -potential impacts for wildlife to the flora and fauna that the wildlife live off 	Repulse Bay - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report (Summarized)

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Areva Kiggavik	April 30 - May 1, 2010	Resident Concerns: -need to minimize the disturbance to wildlife -impacts to caribou and caribou migration routes -potential impacts to fish, fish habitat and consumption of fish by the people of Baker Lake -impacts to migration routes from barge activity, for example the beluga migration route is usually toward Southampton.	Coral Harbour - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report (Summarized)
Areva Kiggavik	May 2-3, 2010	Resident Concerns: - impacts to the caribou migration routes. Caribou have a 3 year cycle and migrate from Chesterfield Inlet to Baker Lake - impacts to wildlife as they seem to go farther and farther away - spills at the dock in Baker Lake could affect marine life - impacts from ships and barges travelling through the area -vibration cause a lot of disturbance to marine life (from barges) -wild life is the main food, dust will affect the caribou	Chesterfield Inlet - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting, Summary Report (Summarized)
Areva Kiggavik	May 4-5, 2010	Resident Concerns: - wildlife (caribou and wolves) may get too close to the mine site and start savaging in the dumpsites -small animals (ptarmigan, rabbits) and wildlife impacts if they get too close to the mine - have heard in the past, mining companies will shut down operations when caribou and migratory birds are close to the site - potential impacts to marine wildlife, and birds from accidents	Arviat - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting, Summary Report (Summarized)
Areva Kiggavik	May 6-7, 2010	Resident Concerns: - no major land use concerns	Whale Cove - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting, Summary Report (Summarized)
Areva Kiggavik	May 9-10, 2010	Resident Concerns: -mine will be near the Thelon Game Sanctuary, how will this affect caribou migration routes? -currently seeing change in the sik-sik (artic squirrel) population - impacts on seals if they follow the barges into the inlet, could become contaminated	Rankin Inlet - NIRB Public Scoping Meeting, Summary Report (Summarized)

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AEM Meliadine	30-Jun-11	KIA is of the opinion that the project may have potential adverse affects on the environment and socio-economic of local communities	KivIA Comments on Application (Summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 13-15, 2011	Resident concerns: - people are proud of their mining heritage - first miners in Nunavut -Will dust affect the caribou and will the caribou still be in the area if there is an open pit? -site could effect caribou migration -what will dewatering lakes and rerouting water dams do to the environment? - dust from blasting will affect the caribou	Rankin Inlet - Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 16-17, 2011	Resident concerns: - impacts to migration routes and wildlife disturbance -road will impact migration routes -Has there been drastic effects to wildlife with Meadowbank? If so can they be reviewed and included for consideration for Meliadine - fish could be killed by blasting vibrations -marine mammals migration routes could be impacted, especially seals and whales -blasting will cause vibrations in the ground and have an effect on fish and fish habitat	Chesterfield Inlet - Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 18-20, 2011	Resident concerns: -impact chemicals will have on the land -climate change, the north seems to be a target to blame for the extinction of polar bears	Whale Cove- Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 21-22, 2011	Resident Concerns: -concern regarding caribou migration and exploration/mining operations. Can operations be shut down while caribou are migrating? -fish habitat could be affected if there is a fuel spill - noise from helicopters affects caribou herds - Kivalliq Region is not ready for another large scale development	Arviat- Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)

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AEM Meliadine	November 23-24, 2001	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - caribou migration routes, some say the caribou have not declined, but changed migration routes. -mitigation measures for wildlife is not being distributed -impact on caribou migration routes from dust at the mine sites - dewatering lakes, how deep are these lakes, do they have fish in them? 	Repulse Bay- Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 25-26, 2011	no major land use concerns raised	Coral Harbour- Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)
AEM Meliadine	November 28-29, 2011	meetings cancelled due to blizzard	Baker Lake- Public Scoping Meeting Summary Report, NIRB (summarized)

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Jericho Diamond Mine	5-Jun-01	Presentation expresses concern of mine development to the health of the caribou. Identifies the need to incorporate the Traditional Knowledge of the Kitikmeot Elders in the area, especially Bathurst Inlet and Bay Chimo.	Presentation Notes - KIA made to the NIRB and NWB (Cambridge Bay)
Jericho Diamond Mine	29-May-03	Letter supports and echo's comments made by the Mayor of Gjao Haven. It supports the proposed mine because of potential economic opportunities. States disappointment that no public hearing was held in Taloyoak.	Letter - Hamlet of Taloyoak: Response from Mayor regarding the EIS for Jericho
Jericho Diamond Mine	3-May-03	Letter outlines NTI's response to the EIS for the Jericho Diamond Project. Significance issues presented in this letter are grouped into the following categories: Concerns with Water, Inadequacies of engineering design information of certain infrastructure, Limitations in the social-economic impact and mitigation strategy.	Letter - NTI Comments for Jericho Diamond Project Final EIS Hearing
Jericho Diamond Mine	10-Nov-03	Hamlet has indicated their concern and desire for more employment and training opportunities associated with the Jericho Diamond Mine project.	Hamlet of Gjoa Haven Final Hearing Submission
Jericho Diamond Mine	7-Jan-04	Concerns focus on Socio-Economic agreements - are there benefits for Cambridge Bay? Jobs, Employment Officer in the community? Secondary Diamond Market opportunities. Education opportunities?	Hamlet of Cambridge Bay Final Hearing Submission
Jericho Diamond Mine	0-Jan-00	Focus more on the socio-economic issues, environmental issues less pronounced.	Hamlet of Kugluktuk Final Hearing Submission
Jericho Diamond Mine	0-Jan-00	Closing comments provided by NTI - general and re-stated what was said in other correspondence	No new information
Jericho Diamond Mine	0-Jan-00	Kugluktuk supports the mine, but wants to see economic benefits directly in the community. No mention is made regarding land use issues.	Kugluktuk Interim Community Submission
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	10-Sep-02	Identified concerns with archeological and other culturally significant sites being mapped and documented properly to ensure they are not disturbed. It stated a regional map of the general area was not an appropriate level of information. They also requested that a proper study of sacred sites be completed, focusing not only on place names, but an explanation of the place and it's value.	Inuit Heritage Trust - Comments on Draft Environmental Guidelines

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Doris North Gold Mine 2004	19-Sep-02	Comments were in support of the Environmental Guidelines, but a couple of concerns regarding the actual mining process.	NTI - Comments on Draft Environmental Guidelines
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	20-Sep-02	Identified concerns with the project happening within the calving grounds of the Ahiak Caribou Herd and Bathurst Caribou Herd. Looking for mitigation measures. Identified potential changes to the landscape and terrain and how the impacts could affect wild life, and other traditional land uses.	KIA - Comments on Draft Environmental Guidelines
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	23-Jun-04	Provides comments on: - fish and wildlife - water - cumulative Effects (on Bathurst caribou herd) - Abandonment and Restoration	Jaida Ohokannoak - Comments on Doris Lake Project
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	9-Jun-04	Provides comments and outlines concerns, as identified by both organizations about the potential affects on the project, specifically regarded to Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring, Cumulative Effects, and water quality. Section that focuses on IQ	KIA/NTI Joint Jaques Whitford Report - Review of Final Environmental Impact Statement
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	28-Jun-04	Identified concerns over funding and training.	Hamlet of Cambridge Bay - Submission for the FEIS
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	4-Oct-04	Issues raised all focus on social issues related to Hamlet Residents. Nothing specific relating to land use activities.	Community Meeting Notes - Kugluktuk
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	7-Oct-12	Community identifies and prides itself in its continued connection to the land and wants to maintain traditional life skills. All other issues are connected to social issues, including training, new social roles etc.	Community Meeting Notes - Gjoa Haven

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Doris North Gold Mine 2004	6-Oct-04	Community identifies an important connection to the land and traditional activities, they do not want to lose these important skills. Other issues identified were connected to social issues, not land issues.	Community Meeting Notes - Taloyoak
Doris North Gold Mine 2004	5-Oct-04	Issues raised all focus on social issues related to Hamlet Residents. Nothing specific relating to land use activities.	Community Meeting Notes - Cambridge Bay
Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	Concerns were raised in the screening process regarding chemical and dangerous goods storage. People were concerned about on-site safety and fuel storage. Concern with monitoring and review. People in Baker Lake wanted to ensure that monitoring would be consistent throughout the whole process	Hamlet of Baker Lake
Meadowbank Gold Mine	6-Aug-03	Expressed concerns over water quality, wildlife, marine mammals, fish and their respective habitats, traditional use of land, and human help.	Chesterfield Inlet - Aqigiq Hunters and Trappers Organization (MB Screening Decision)
Meadowbank Gold Mine	5-Sep-03	Expressed concerns to local people including: - drainage from the proposed land dump -seepage from waste rock -water quality in tailings pond	Kivalliq Inuit Association (MB Screening Decision Report)
Meadowbank Gold Mine	18-Aug-03	Expressed concerns over: -water quality -terrain -air quality	Baker Lake Community Land and Resources Committee (MB Screening Decision)
Meadowbank Gold Mine	14-Feb-05	No major comments about land use.	Rankin Inlet Public Meeting Notes - Draft EIS Community Consultation Sessions
Meadowbank Gold Mine	4-Mar-05	People are concerned about barge traffic in the Inlet. Aquatic species such as whales, sharks, char and others are found there. Will they be affected?	Chesterfield Inlet HTO - Draft EIS Community Consultation Session Visit 1

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Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	concerned the Elders are not being heard. Concern about the mine wrecking the land	Baker Lake Public Meeting Notes - Draft EIS Community Consultation Visit 1
Meadowbank Gold Mine	13-Apr-05	Worried about Global warming and the tailing ponds Wondering if there are any Sik Sik (squirrels) in the area and if they would be affected.	Rankin Inlet Public Meeting Notes - Draft EIS Community Consultation Sessions
Meadowbank Gold Mine	5-Apr-12	Questions were asked about how the mine will affect the migration of the caribou	Chesterfield Inlet Community Visit Notes - Draft EIS Community Consultation Visit 2
Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	Questioned what happens when a mining development hits a grave? Raised concerns about family's traditional use of the area, does not feel that people are listening to them or accepting the knowledge they have of the area. - Worried about animals travelling over the tailing pile - questions were raised about the tailing and permafrost. If the intention is to permanently freeze the tailings, what happens if global warming degrades the freezing?	Baker Lake Community Visit Notes - Draft EIS Community Consultation Visit 2
Meadowbank Gold Mine	1-Mar-06	Provides meetings notes for Consultations that occurred in Baker Lake, Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet. Major Concerns from each community are as follows: Chesterfield Inlet: - Concerns about ship wrecks along shoreline, what will the spills do to the environment. -Concerns about global warming and the Tailings Ponds, what happens if they overflow? What will it do to the Environment? - Concerned about Tailings attracting Caribou (potentially because they taste like salt) -Taking the fish out the lakes, what will this do the quality of the lakes "Will it make the lakes unhappy?"	Chesterfield Inlet - Community Consultation

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Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	<p>Concerned about dust residue from the Tailing Ponds</p> <p>Concerned about putting the tailings in the lakes, will it be safe to eat the fish once the land is contaminated</p> <p>-Information was provided on important sites, but did not provide sufficient conclusions about the value of these sites or how they will be protected. Want to know if this will be looked at further.</p>	Baker Lake - Community Consultation
Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	<p>Concerned about what would happen to the fish and the quality of water if they are removed during the mining process</p> <p>What will the long term after affect to the environment when dikes and dams are built?</p> <p>- concerns about airborne spreading of pollutants and how that affects the environment</p> <p>- Concerned about tailings seeping into healthy lakes</p>	Rankin Inlet-Community Consultation
Meadowbank Gold Mine	0-Jan-00	<p>Wildlife - concerns that the caribou could be attracted to the salt of the tailings. Also concerned that All-Weather road will increase the hunting pressures on the caribou causing a possible over-hunting</p> <p>Concerns raised about the fish habitat and migratory route crossings, possibly disturbed the All-weather Road.</p> <p>Raised concerns about the Traditional Way of life including:</p> <p>-over fishing and hunting along the all-weather road route</p> <p>-more interaction between locales and non-northern workers because of the all weather road route</p> <p>-contamination of traditional foods, either around the work site, on the all weather road route, or in the marine environment.</p>	KIA and NTI -Comments on the Draft EIS
Meadowbank Gold Mine	5-May-06	No major comments about land use.	Letter from Hamlet of Baker Lake
Meadowbank Gold Mine	11-Jul-06	Hamlet of Baker Lake confirming they are satisfied with the Final EIS	Letter from Hamlet of Baker Lake
Meadowbank Gold Mine	17-Jul-06	<p>Comments were made in regards to:</p> <p>-road decommissioning</p> <p>-spill kits</p> <p>-security deposits for marine spills</p> <p>-NIRB review process</p>	Rankin Inlet Public Meeting Comments (NIRB Public Meeting Report)

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Meadowbank Gold Mine	18-Jul-06	Comments were made in regards to: -Road access and use -Hunting on/around road -Future of road -Shipping route	Bake Lake Public Meeting Comments (NIRB Public Meeting Report)
Meadowbank Gold Mine	19-Jul-06	Comments were made in regards to: - Marine harvesting areas -Char streams along Inlet -Monitor on fuel barges -Spill plans in communities	Chesterfield Inlet Public Meeting Comments (NIRB Public Meeting Report)
Meadowbank Gold Mine	7-Jul-06	Hamlet Council and Administration support the proposed mine, spoke of socio-economic benefits. The all weather winter road is of particular interest.	Letter from Hamlet of Baker Lake
Doris North Gold Mine 2006	January, 2006	Identified and provided comments on Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring, focusing on the following: -Caribou -Grizzly Bears -Wolverines -Raptors -Cumulative Effects Assessment -Wildlife Habitat	KIA/NTI Technical Review Comments
Doris North Gold Mine 2006	11-Jan-06	Identified concerns for how the mine would affect traditional lifestyles, such as hunting.	Hamlet of Taloyoak
Doris North Gold Mine 2006	30-Jan-06	Expressed concerns about wildlife, particularly the Caribou Herds that use the area. Spoke of the Lupin mine example and how caribou were driven away and the wolf and grizzly populations suffered. They have concerns about the wildlife management and how it will be protected.	Kugluktuk Angoniatit Association, Hunters and Trappers Organization
MMG High Lake	21-Nov-06	Hamlet of Kugluktuk wants a socio-economic agreement with Wofliden before they will support the project.	Hamlet of Kugluktuk
MMG High Lake	13-Apr-07	HTO identifies the following concerns: -human exposure to contaminants -animals may drink or eat from the tailings -affect to the quality of water through the mining process could be dangerous -impacts to the Muskoxen, mosse, wolves, bathurst caribou and boreal seal	Kugluktuk Angoniatit Association Hunters & Trapers' Organziation

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MMG High Lake	13-Apr-07	<p>HTO identifies the following concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -human exposure to contaminants -animals may drink or eat from the tailings -affect to the quality of water through the mining process could be dangerous -impacts to the Muskoxen, mosse, wolves, bathurst caribou and boreal seal 	Kugluktuk Angoniatit Association Hunters & Trapers' Organziation
MMG High Lake	7/3-11/2007	<p>will a port and road be put in? If so will that affect the ice on the bay?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Inuit always believe we should not play with nature, they should be left alone -Fish do not look healthy 	Community meeting Bathurst
MMG High Lake	0-Jan-00	<p>concern about the caribou and the all weather road. Spills could contaminate the caribou, leading to poor health in people who eat them.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -concerned about archaeological sites- do not want to see them disturbed -caribou have to cross the sea ice in the fall, don't want to see tankers breaking the ice, keeping them from getting acrosss -concerns about streams and rivers, don't want to see them disturbed, this could affect the wildlife 	Community meeting Taloyak
MMG High Lake	3-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - outpost camps located around Gray's Bay area -Kugluktuk community members hunting of caribou around Gray's Bay 	Umingmaktok - Public Meeting Comments NIRB Public Meeting Report (summarized)
MMG High Lake	3-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ice breaking and hazards to wildlife, especially caribou crossing during the winter -Cumulative effects (if the Gray's Bay dock goes ahead, are they going ahead with Bathurst Port and Road) -Prefer Gray's Bay dock versus Bathurst Port and Road because of less traffice affecting the community -Discharge of sewage into ocean -Reagents used for separating ore -Concerns over water (lakes) and fish 	Bathurst Inlet - Public Meeting Comments NIRB Public Meeting Report (comments directly from Report)

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MMG High Lake	July 4&5, 2007	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No funding to conduct a proper review of such a large and technical project proposal -Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit Committee and Request for Proposals -Intervener funding status -How do you weigh traditional knowledge vs. scientific knowledge -Interest in potential job opportunities with the company 	<p>Bathurst Inlet - Public Meeting Comments</p> <p>NIRB Public Meeting Report</p> <p>(comments directly from Report)</p>
MMG High Lake	6-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ice breaking during the winter -shipping at Gray's Bay -Fishing out High Lake -Interest in potential job opportunities with the company 	<p>Gjoa Haven - Public Meeting Comments</p> <p>NIRB Public Meeting Report</p> <p>(comments directly from Report)</p>

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MMG High Lake	10-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fish and fish out methods -what type of fishing methods are used to determine if fish in lakes -fishing areas and availability for future generations -water sources -presence of fish in High Lake -what were the Kugluktuk community members comments on the project proposal -Inuit workforce involvement -interest in job opportunities with the company -discharge of sewage into the ocean and will there be berms to protect surrounding areas -handling garbage -impacts to future generations versus the benefits of having a mine -owners of the land -types of workshifts at Wolfden -shipping route and concerns over shipping in the winter season and affects on ice and hunting -would like mining companies to sue traditional names or original names for camp names -proper reclamation of the land -Community members feel uninformed about mine exploration that is going on in the region 	<p>Kugaaruk - Public Meeting Comments NIRB Public Meeting Report (comments directly from Report)</p>
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MMG High Lake	10-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Avoid archaeological sites during exploration in the spring -no impacts to wildlife -ensure that no tankers and barges are used during the fall season when caribou begin their journey across the sea ice to Cambridge Bay. Monitoring of migration is required. -fish, wildlife and their habitat. Would like to see no impacts to fish and wildlife and wildlife habitat -streams and rivers, potential disturbance -toxicity of chemicals to environment, fish and wildlife -All-winter road, potential leaks from trucks on the road may attract caribou. Caribou is an important food source -human health and potential traditional food (Caribou) contaminations -disturbance of archeological sites -shipping routes only during open water season -Community members do not want a mine within 500km until impacts are fully assessed 	Taloyoak - Public Meeting Comments NIRB Public Meeting Report (comments directly from Rport)
MMG High Lake	12-Jul-07	<p>Resident Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -would like mining companies to work with communities for infrastructure -would like to know which port will go first BIPAR or Gray's Bay -Source of funding for the IQ Committee -Interest in potential job opportunities with the company 	Cambridge Bay- Public Meeting Comments NIRB Public Meeting Report (comments directly from Rport)
MMG High Lake	13-Apr-07	<p>Concerns noted include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All- weather road <p>Road from Grays Bay to High Lake mine site as part of the project scope is located on the Dolphin-Union caribou herd which migrates north to the coast to cross the sea to Victoria Island. Design of the road could have serious impacts on this migration route</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project area is currently used for traditional activities, but was historically used as well. This site is an important for identity and cultural- wellbeing. What will happen with historical sites, will they be impacted? - Well-being of animals and people are a concern as a result of exposure to contaminants through the ingestion of meat from animals that have may have spent time in the Project area. -Effects on Muskoxen, Moose, Wolves, Bathurst Caribou, Bearded seal, are a concern 	Kugluktuk HT Comments

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MMG High Lake	November, 2007	Technical review completed by Jacques Whitford, identifies environmental impacts of the project. No found public comments included.	Kugluktuk HTO Technical Review
Resolution Island Clean-Up	20-Jan-04	No public community comments	0

APPENDIX B

Public Comments NWB Public Registry

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<i>Project</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Source</i>
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	7-Nov-02	No comments regarding land use issues.	Artic Bay - Response to Water Licence Renewal
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	26-Nov-02	Identifies that inspections for the licence should happened during open water to ensure accurate information	Artic Bay - Response to Water Licence clarification
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	7-Jul-02	NTI is requesting an ESA be completed that factors in the risk to the natural environment and the human health, particularly for the residents of Artic Bay. Need to understand the long term affects of the mine site and what the potential is for a proper reclamation.	NTI Reponse to the Nanisivik Mine Water Licence Renewal
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	15-May-08	Council in Artic Bay is worried about the tank farm at the former mine site. Would it be investigated for possible oil spills	Comments - SAO Artic Bay
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	0-Jan-00	Raised concerns that the 2008 water licence renewal would discontinue all work and monitoring of the Nanisivik site. Global warming, and the affects it will have on the reclamation process were raised, particularly	Commnets - Artic Bay Community Liasion Officer, Niore Iqalukjuak
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	6-Jun-02	Resident Questions : -wind patterns affect where snow is blown and eventually piles. No information was reported on the impact dust from development would make on snow.	Hamlet of Artic Bay - Nanisivik Meeting with Hamlet Working Group -
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	3-Jun-04	Resident Questions: -concern about the feasibility of returning the site to it's natural state. Is this a possibility if the open pit is so large?	Artic Bay - Public Hearing Transcripts
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	22-Jul-02	Resident Concerns: -underground material that is buried, people do not know what it is or if it is dangerous. -other contaminated items around the site, are they going to be harmful over a long period of time?	Artic Bay - Public Hearing Transcripts
Nanisivik Mine Reclamation	23-Feb-09	no public comments found	Artic Bay - Public Hearing Transcripts
Polaris Mine Closure	September 6-15, 2003	No major land use concerns	Resolute Bay - Site Visit and Community Consult Report

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Doris Hinge Project	13-Aug-07	Community Comments: - will there be any affect on the animals? -people in Bathurst Inlet indicated they wanted to keep their water clean and be careful with the fish. -will the materials used be harmless to the water?	Cambridge Bay - Doris North Public Hearing Transcripts
Jericho Mine	6-Dec-04	Community Comments: -will there be monitoring in place once the activity is completed and cleaned up? - difficult to locate futher comments - information is spread through several documents.	Kugluktuk -Jericho Public Hearing Transcripts
Lupin Mine	15-Nov-01	No community comments found	Kugluktuk - 2001 Public Hearing Transcripts
Meadowbank Mine	16-Apr-08	Community Comments: -how long would it take to discover a the extent of environmental damage if there is a fuel of chemical spill? -is there material in place for clean-up if a spill does occur?	Baker Lake- 2008 Public Hearing Transcripts
Hamlet of Arviat Water Licence	July 20-21, 2010	Public Questions: - Many lakes are drying up, can we take our water from a river? - Wolf Creek may be a good place to take water from. Over the next 5 years it will not dry up. -The land around Arviat is very slushy. This is causing the landfill to sink and affecting our homes. -Sewage lagoon is too close to the ocean where we set our nets -Garbage dump is too close to the ocean as well. -Arviat is very poorly planned, it will become crowded in the next few years. -Docking area for the ships is very shallow - barges can't come that close to the community. - don't want hunting ground damaged or disturbed. People like to eat country food. - Small river's and lakes are all over the place, causing the community to be wet and messy. This should be dealt with. -Arviat is a slushy community, very wet. It is hard to have good sewage and garbage dumps.	Public Hearing Transcript
Rankin Inlet Water Licence	Date unknown	Notices for public meetings were found, but not transcripts or summary of public comments were found	0
Iqaluit Water License	7-Mar-06	Document on registry not in a format that can be viewed	Iqaluit Public Hearing Transcripts