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## 1. Consultation/Notification Guidelines

The Qikiqtani Inuit Association is proposing a method to continuously involve communities in the land use planning and project review processes. The first step is to introduce a requirement for community notification and consultation into the conformity determination stage of project review.

According to the Nunavut Planning Commission's "Implementing the Nunavut Land Use Plan" document, section 4.2 lists various requirements for community engagement and notification. Section 4.2.2 states that *information regarding project proposals in the NSA shall be readily available to ensure that residents of the NSA are aware and informed of development activity as and where it occurs.*

NPC has identified that the *extent and nature of notification will be carried out in accordance with the "Notification Guidelines" prepared and approved in accordance with section 17 of the NUPPAA and that the NPC will not accept or consider project proposals that have not met the "Notification Guidelines."*

QIA has developed a list of recommendations and guidelines for Proponents in what we have called our *Consultation Guide*. It is QIA's aspiration that the guide form an integral part of the NPC *Notification Guidelines*.

This Consultation guide has been appended to this letter for your review and comment.

## 2. Respecting Inuit Values

As a Designated Inuit Organization under the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, QIA has the responsibility of protecting the rights and values of Inuit in its region. It is QIA's opinion that Inuit are the best positioned to offer advice on the management of land use activities in their respective regions. QIA has proposed a mechanism in the consultation guide to involve communities early on in the conformity determination process so that they can be informed of activities that could impact the land or water within, or adjacent to, their community boundaries. This engagement early on will provide certainty and also solidify relationships between proponents and communities. QIA is taking the stance that the NLUP can apply to IOL if this means that there will be better engagement with communities early-on and also that Inuit are able to be active decision makers on potential land use activities on Crown Land near their community boundaries.







