



Mr. Luis Manzo
Director of Lands
Kivalliq Inuit Association

Re: Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) is currently developing a territory wide Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP), as required under Section 11.5.1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement. The NLUP will replace the existing plans, including the KRLUP. The issues you identify in your letter (oil and gas, uranium, National Parks, and roads) will be considered in the development of the NLUP, instead of through an amendment to the KRLUP.

In January 2009, the NPC requested that the Government of Nunavut, the Government of Canada, and Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated provide a list of issues and priorities that should be considered in the development of the NLUP. To date, our partners have not provided clarity on which areas are important. The responses from government have lacked detail and direction, and NTI has provided no input. The Commission is interested in hearing from the Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA) in this regard. Specifically, how would KIA like to see land use activities associated with oil and gas, uranium, national parks and roads managed in the future?

The NPC continues to move forward and we anticipate that the plan will be made public in September 2010, and the draft plan will be submitted for approval in February 2011.

To better inform land use planning in Nunavut, the NPC looks forward to receiving the Northern Land Use Information Series mapping that the Kivalliq Inuit Association was completing for INAC. We were previously advised that it would be complete by March 2009, and we would greatly appreciate receiving this valuable information as soon as it is available.

In closing, we encourage the KIA to identify any areas within its land administration boundary where it believes that no development should occur, and to provide its views on how land use should be managed in the Kivalliq Region.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Savoy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Cc: Adrian Boyd, Director, Policy