



Via Electronic Mail

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Re: Nunavut Land Use Plan

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) adopted the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) 11.4.1(a) broad planning policies, objectives and goals, in November 2007. Since that time, in accordance with 11.4.1(a), the NPC has been developing a Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP), as required under NLCA 11.5.1.

The NLUP will replace the existing North Baffin and Keewatin Regional Land Use Plans originally developed in the late 80's and early 90's, respectively. A current land use plan for the entire settlement area, built on 11.4.1(a) will benefit Inuit and all northerners.

The NPC remains active in promoting the participation of Inuit, residents, and other partners in the planning process through various means. Most recently, we broadly distributed and made available publically our comprehensive baseline data in hardcopy and digital formats. NPC's collation of this information will be reviewed with technical panels in mid-January 2010. The panels will be reviewing maps

showing areas of economic potential and areas of high conservation value in relation to Inuit land use and harvesting patterns. We are looking forward to NTI's participation in those panels. The panels will be followed by three regional public hearings in the spring and public release of the Nunavut Land Use Plan in September 2010.

The Commission continues to encourage NTI and the Regional Inuit Associations participation in the land use planning process. Over the past several months NPC has been soliciting guidance from government, NTI and RIA land managers on issues and priorities to be considered as part of the planning process. As this exercise will conclude at the end of October, we would be interested in learning if NTI has additional data or information that would enhance our baseline knowledge. As well, if NTI has established Nunavut wide or region specific goals and objectives for Inuit Owned Lands that are not captured by 11.4.1(a), this information would also be useful.

Please forward any additional information to Jonathan Savoy, Policy Analyst at jsavoy@nunavut.ca or to our Cambridge Bay office mailing address by October 30, 2009.

The Commission appreciates the support of NTI during the development of the NLUP and we look forward to updating your Board of Directors in November 2009.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Ehloak'.

Sharon Ehloak, Executive Director
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