

## Nunavut Planning Commission Internal Procedure

# **Monitoring Approved Projects**

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#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this procedure is to identify the approach the Nunavut Planning Commission (referred to herein as either the NPC or Commission) will use for monitoring approved projects.

#### **AUTHORITY**

This procedure is made in accordance with the Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (the NLCA).

Section 11.4.4 of the NLCA states;

"Consistent with the Agreement, the NPC shall;

I) monitor projects to ensure that they are in conformity with land use plans;"

This procedure is also in accord with the Nunavut Planning & Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA). Reproduced from the version current to February 4, 2015 for ease of reference), is section 14:

"14. Additional powers, duties and functions In addition to its powers, duties and functions specified elsewhere in this Act, the Commission must (a) monitor projects approved under Part 3 to verify that they are carried out in conformity with any applicable land use plan;

#### **APPLICATION**

In order to study and monitor overall effects, this procedure applies to projects that have been:

- determined to be in conformity with any land use plan of the Commission; or
- granted a minor variance by the Commission; or
- granted an exemption by the appropriate Minister.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Unless the context requires otherwise, words and phrases in this procedure have the same meaning as in the *NLCA* or NUPPAA.

Site Visit means a Commission staff member, officer, or member attending the site or location of an approved project to observe whether the project continues to conform to the applicable land use plan where the proponent or the landowner, or both where necessary, provide consent in advance, are advised that there is no obligation to assist or to answer any questions, or otherwise to enable the Commission to inspect the project, and the Executive Director considers it efficient and cost effective to attend personally.

#### **PROCEDURE**

#### 1 Monitoring Project Conformity

- 1.1 To ensure projects are carried out in conformity with the applicable land use plan, NPC may:
  - (a) review licences, permits and authorizations issued by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), Nunavut Water Board (NWB), designated Inuit organizations (DIOs), or other regulatory authorities to ensure the requirements of land use plans are being implemented.
  - (b) review monitoring reports prepared by the NIRB, the NWB, DIOs, or other regulatory authorities; and/or
  - (c) conduct site visits when approved to do so by the Executive Director.
- 1.2 Where possible, NPC staff will coordinate monitoring activities, including site visits if used for the collection of information or opinion, with the NIRB, the NWB, DIOs, other regulatory authorities, and the Nunavut General Monitoring Plan.

#### 2 Reporting

2.1 The results of the activities conducted under 1.1 of this procedure will be included in the Commission's annual report prepared under the *Monitoring Plan Implementation* procedure.