



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT SCREENING COMMITTEE

November 21, 2017

Submission Number: [09-17-02]

Fred Behrens
Senior Administrative Officer, Hamlet of Aklavik
P.O Box 88
Aklavik, NT
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Re: **Aklavik Trail Culvert Installation Project**

Dear Mr. Behrens

During a meeting held November 15–17, 2017, the Environmental Impact Screening Committee (EISC) discussed your project proposal, and the state of the Screening Record (Record) as compiled over the screening comment period. The EISC resolved that the Record was complete for the purpose of making an EIS decision, and to close the Record.

After closing the record, the EISC Chair appointed a Screening Panel (Panel) as per the Inuvialuit Final Agreement (IFA) Section 11. (19). The Panel then met to determine if the proposed development could have a significant negative environmental impact, or whether the development, if likely to cause an impact, could have a significant negative impact on present or future wildlife harvesting. After deliberation, the Panel delivered an **11(17)(b)** decision:

“The development, if authorized subject to environmental terms and conditions recommended by the Screening Committee, will have no such significant negative impact and may proceed without environmental impact assessment and review under the Inuvialuit Final Agreement.” [IFA s. 11. (17)(b)]

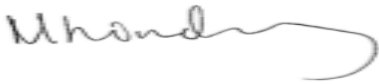
In reaching this 11(17)(b) decision, the Panel recommended the following term(s) and condition(s):

1. Based on the information provided, the DFO Program is of the view that your proposal could potentially result in serious harm to fish. In order for DFO to complete the review of your proposal and determine whether serious to fish is likely, we ask that you provide the following additional information to the Fisheries Protection Program (DFO):
 - a. The footprint (area of the river or wetland that will be covered by the structure) of the new culvert, including any riprap rock placement.
2. The proponent must adhere to all of its commitments and mitigations as outlined in the project description provided to the EISC.
3. The Proponent must develop a comprehensive project description for the Aklavik Trail Project that includes all planned undertakings for the overall trail which is to be submitted to EISC for review.
4. The Proponent must make all representatives (including contractors) conducting operations in the field aware of any mitigation measures associated with the project. All field operations staff should be made aware of the Proponents commitments to these mitigation measures and provided with appropriate advice/training on how to implement these measures.

Both the Decision Letter, and the Decision Form for this file will be placed on the EISC Registry. A copy of the decision form for this file is attached to the email notification of this decision.

If you have any questions on the above decision, please do not hesitate to contact the EISC Coordinator.

Sincerely,



Michel Lindsay
EISC Coordinator

Attachments: 1) Comment Letter from DFO

cc: EISC Distribution List

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From: Michel Lindsay mlindsay@eisc.jointsec.nt.ca
Subject: Fwd: Notice of Proceeding, EISC File 09-17-02 Aklavik Trail Culvert
Date: November 14, 2017 at 11:55 AM
To: Michel Lindsay eisc@jointsec.nt.ca

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "FPP.CA / PPP.CA (DFO/MPO)" <fisheriesprotection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Notice of Proceeding, EISC File 09-17-02 Aklavik Trail Culvert
Date: November 10, 2017 at 10:15:19 AM CST
To: Darrell Christie <dchristie@eisc.jointsec.nt.ca>

Dear Darrell Christie:

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Subject: Additional information is required for the review of your request.

The Fisheries Protection Program (the Program) of Fisheries and Oceans Canada received your proposal for the Aklavik Trail culvert replacement (EISC File 09-17-02) on October 12, 2017.

Your proposal is being reviewed to determine whether it is a work, undertaking or activity that results in serious harm to fish that are part of a commercial, recreational or Aboriginal fishery, or to fish that support such a fishery which is prohibited under subsection 35(1) of the *Fisheries Act*.

Based on the information provided, the Program is of the view that your proposal could potentially result in serious harm to fish. In order for us to complete the review of your proposal and determine whether serious to fish is likely, we ask that you provide the following additional information:

- the footprint (area of the river or wetland that will be covered by the structure) of the new culvert, including any riprap rock placement

Yours sincerely,

Megan McCusker
Fisheries Protection Biologist
Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Fisheries and Oceans Canada has changed the way new project proposals (referrals), reports of potential *Fisheries Act* violations (occurrences) and information requests are managed in Central and Arctic Region (Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories). Please be advised that

general information regarding the management of impacts to fish and fish habitat and self-assessment tools (e.g. Measures to Avoid Harm) that enable you to determine *Fisheries Act* requirements are available at DFO's "Projects Near Water" website at www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/index-eng.html. For all occurrence reports, or project proposals where you have determined, following self-assessment, that you cannot avoid impacts to fish and fish habitat, please submit to fisheriesprotection@dfo-mpo.gc.ca. For general inquiries, call 1-855-852-8320.

From: Darrell Christie [<mailto:dchristie@eisc.jointsec.nt.ca>]

Sent: October-12-17 12:50 PM

To: Fred Behrens; Rick Hoos

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Subject: Notice of Proceeding, EISC File 09-17-02 Aklavik Trail Culvert

Mr. Behrens,

Thank you for submitting your Project Description, in support of your file: **09-17-02 Aklavik Trail Culvert**.

Attached, please find the **EISC Notice of Proceeding for EISC Registry file 09-17-02**.

The developer of this project is: **Hamlet of Aklavik**

The Project Title is: **Aklavik Trail Culvert Installation Project**.

Please review the notice as to the length of the stakeholder commenting period for this specific file:

The last day for commenting on this project will be: November 14, 2017 at midnight MST.

For all interested stakeholders:

Please submit any comments, information requests, questions letters of support, etc., to this office – via email, and attached as a pdf document.

Thank you for your attention to this,

Darrell Christie, Interim Coordinator
Environmental Impact Screening Committee
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