



Inuvialuit Water Board

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The IWB's office is located in Inuvik. The satellite Public Register Office which was located in Yellowknife officially closed on January 18, 2016. Since that date all IWB operations are conducted through the Inuvik Office.

It is important to note that while the IWB is tasked with issuing water licences, it is not responsible for the enforcement of the terms and conditions included in licences. Enforcement of IWB approved terms and conditions is the responsibility of the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR).

INUVALUIT WATER BOARD MEMBERS

Legislated through the *Waters Act*, the IWB consists of five (5) members. Board members are appointed by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR). The Minister appoints two members on the nomination of the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation (IRC) and one member on the nomination of the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAC). The Chairperson is appointed by the Minister on the nomination by the majority of the members of the Board.

The Chairperson of the IWB also serves as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

IWB Board Membership - Current and Outgoing

The current members are:

Mr. Roger Connelly, Chairperson - appointed October 17, 2014

Mr. Mark Cleveland, member - reappointed June 19, 2015

Mrs. Elizabeth Arey, member - appointed January 12, 2016

Mr. Richard Binder, member - appointed January 30, 2015

Retiring Member (s) -

Ms. Mina McLeod - term expired October 16, 2015

Mr. Louis Covello - term expired April 7, 2016

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IWB Water Licensing Activities 2015 - 2016

Water Licensing

Type A or B Water Licences Issued (New)

- No new water licences were issued during 2015-2016 fiscal year.
- The IWB received several water licence enquiries and applications for new water licences during the year. Upon review, none of these enquires and applications met the criteria described in Water Regulations Schedule D through H that would make it necessary for a water licence requirement.

Type A or B Water Licences Issued (Renewed):

- Type B Licence N7L3-1619, and related Reasons for Decision, was issued to the Hamlet of Paulatuk on November 9, 2015. This licence renewed a prior licence and authorized the use of water and the deposit of waste, including both solid waste and sewage disposal in established facilities operated by the Hamlet.

It should be noted that prior to licence renewal the IWB Board and senior staff members visited the community of Paulatuk, toured the fresh water lake and solid waste and sewage disposal facilities and met with the Mayor, hamlet councillors and staff to discuss a broad range of issues related to the provision of water and waste services in their community.

Type A or B Water Licence Assignment, Cancellation, Amendment or Closure

- The IWB received no requests during the year for any licence assignment, cancellation, or amendment.
- The IWB received a request for closure of two (2) water licences issued to Contaminants and Remediation Directorate - Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (now Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada). Following consideration of inspection reports and recommendations from the GNWT Water Resources Officer, these licences were closed through a board motion on October 30, 2015.

Type A or B Water Licences Expiring During the Year

- Type B Water Licence N7L3-0714 - Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk - The municipal water licence for the community (for water use and the deposit of waste) expired on June 30, 2014. The Hamlet was notified in advance on several occasions that the licence was to expire. The Hamlet filed an application for the new licence on September 17, 2015. The new application was not deemed to be complete until March 7, 2016.
- Type B Water Licence N5L3-0714 was issued to the Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk on April 15, 2016.

Licence Management Activities

In addition to processing licence applications, the IWB is charged with reviewing and approving management plans associated with licences as well as reviewing annual reports and inspection reports of licence holders.

Management Plan Review and Approval During the Year

Licence N7L1-1835 - GNWT - Department of Transportation (DOT) - Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk Highway (ITH)

- 2014/2015 Annual Report
- Pit Development Plans for Borrow Source 312 West, Borrow Source GSC4
- Surveillance Network Program and Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program - Annual Sampling Report
- Notice of Plan Changes - Water Crossing - 15b and 15c

Licence N7L1-1836 - Imperial Oil Resources - Bar C DEW Line / Tununuk Point Remediation Project

- 2015 Annual Report
- 2015 As Built Drawings

Annual and Sump Monitoring Reports Reviewed

- N7L1-1814 - Contaminants and Remediation Directorate - INAC - Johnson Point
- N7L1-1824 - Contaminants and Remediation Directorate - INAC Johnson Point
- N7L1-1835 - GNWT - DOT - ITH - seven (7) inspections between January 20, 2016 - March 31, 2016

Other Administrative and Board Activities

The IWB successfully closed the Yellowknife office as of January 18, 2016. The Inuvialuit Water Board converted to a new email and web address which include the email extension - inuvwb.ca and the new website address to <http://inuvwb.ca>. These replace the old email extension and website: nwtwb.com

The IWB website was updated. Contact lists were revised to ensure current email addresses and all references to the Yellowknife office were removed. Updates also included new Board members names being added and others removed.

The IWB maintains a Public Register (all documents related to all water licence applications, licensing and reporting). The hard copy Public Register was transferred to the Inuvik office in September 2015 in anticipation of the closing of the Yellowknife office. The IWB also maintains a copy of the Public Register on-line. The Public Register can be accessed through the IWB website at <http://inuvwb.ca>. All documents are posted on a timely basis.

OTHER NEWS

Revised Documents, Guidelines and Forms

The IWB has revised many of its regulatory documents, guidelines and forms to include new provisions of the *Waters Act* and *Waters Regulations*. Documents are now available on our website or by contacting our office in Inuvik at (867) 678-2942.

Workshops and Other Events

IWB members and staff had the opportunity to attend and participate in various meetings and conferences related to the IWB mandate during the past year including:

- ITH Regulatory meetings - monthly
- ITH Working Group meetings - June and November 2015
- Imperial Oil Group meetings - Bar C/Tununuk Point Remediation Project, July 2015
- Pan Territorial Regulatory Forum - January 2016
- NWT Board Forum - February 2016
- IWB Annual Water and Waste Management Workshop - February, 2016
- Arctic Oil and Gas Symposium - March 16 - 17, 2016

The IWB and staff will continue their active participation and contribution in events and discussions that may impact on the management of water and the disposal of waste in the Inuvialuit Set-

IWB Summer Student - Cora-Lee Simpson

The IWB members and staff would like to welcome our new summer student to the team. Cora Lee will be working closely with Freda Wilson, IWB Office Administrator, and other staff here in the office up until September.

Hello, Good Day - My name is Cora L. (Sittichinli) Simpson. I am originally from Aklavik, NT born and raised and I come from a large family background. In August of 2015 I left my home of Aklavik to continue and explore a new field of education for myself and attended the Inuvik Aurora College where I was enrolled in the Early Childhood Education Program. In May 2016 I graduated and was honored to receive my certificate.

I was hired as a summer student with the IWB on July 08th and was proud to start work on July 13 – September 2, 2016, working as an Administrative Assistant and enjoying working alongside of Freda, Mardy & Bijaya. I am learning and enjoying my experiences a lot from doing day to day tasks and gaining knowledge and an understanding of the IWB. Just by being here gives me more encouragement every day to thrive to succeed, because I can see how hard these employees work every day to meet their requirements and deadlines.

There is still a lot to learn and every day is a learning process. I am happy for this experience and for them to have me working alongside for the summer. I would like to thank you all for having me here with you and giving me the opportunity to gain these experiences.

Sincerely, Cora L. Simpson – Summer Student

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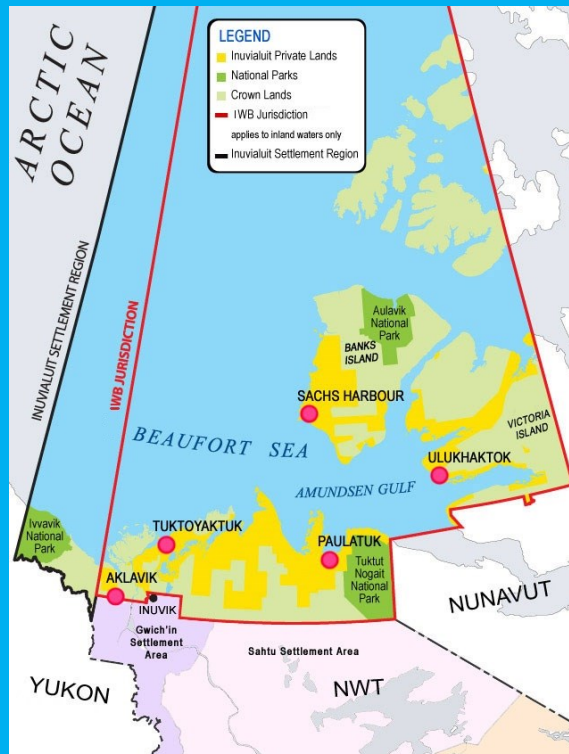
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Inuvialuit Water Board Area of Jurisdiction



For more information on the Board's area of responsibility and its regulatory process visit our website www.inuvwb.ca