

## DEVOLUTION AND NEW ACT

### New Waters Act and Regulations

The newly named Inuvialuit Water Board (IWB) formerly known as Northwest Territories Water Board (NWTWB) was devolved from the Federal Government to the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) as part of the Northwest Territories Lands and Resources Devolution Agreement, in effect as of April 1, 2014. The GNWT passed the *Waters Act* and Waters Regulations also in effect as of April 1, 2014, to replace the Federal *NWT Waters Act* and NWT Waters Regulations.

### Regulatory Documents and Guidelines

The IWB is in the process of revising various regulatory documents and guidelines to include new provisions under the *Waters Act* and Waters Regulations. On August 5 - 8, 2014 the IWB facilitated a workshop to update the former NWTWB Strategic Plan and develop a new IWB Strategic Plan 2014 - 2019 and to discuss the IWB Rules of Procedure to incorporate lessons learned during the GNWT-DOT Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk Highway Type A Water Licence Application and Public Hearing process. All revised documents will be available on our website on approval by the IWB. For more information contact our Inuvik office at 867-678-2942.

### New Name, New Logo and Contact Information

The IWB has redesigned its logo to incorporate the change of name. Two versions of the logo have been developed in Inuvialuktun and English and in Inuvialuktun and French. All our contact information including email addresses and website remain the same until further notice. Please update your records to reflect the IWB's new name (Inuvialuit Water Board).



(Swan flying across the sun and over the water)

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## Water Licensing Activities

### Incorporated Hamlet of Aklavik (N3L3-0570) - Application for Municipal Water Licence Renewal

This application is currently under review for completeness and the application review process will begin once the application is deemed complete. On September 9, 2014 the IWB Members and staff met with Hamlet Mayor Charlie Furlong and Senior Administrative Officer Fred Behrens to discuss issues and concerns with regard to the Aklavik Solid Waste Disposal Area and Sewage Lagoon and toured the Aklavik facilities.

Activities that continued this summer under the following licences include:

- GNWT - DOT - ITH (N7L1-1835)
- Imperial Oil - Bar C - Tununuk Point Reclamation Project (N7L1-1836)
- Shell Canada - Camp Farewell (N7L1-1816)

All applications and reports are available on our public registry and can be accessed by contacting our Inuvik office at 867-678-2942 or in Yellowknife at 867-765-0070.

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## OTHER NEWS

### IWB Staff and Offices

IWB support staff were also part of the Devolution Agreement and are now employees of GNWT assigned to the IWB. There are a total of four positions which are currently fully staffed. The Board operates from its main office in Inuvik, NT and continues to maintain an office in Yellowknife, NT.

### Meet our Staff

#### ***Mardy Semmler – Executive Director – start date April 7, 2014***

Mardy was born and raised in Inuvik, NT. Mardy completed the Renewable Resources Technology Program in Fort Smith in 1994. Mardy's work experience includes lands and resources management including mineral exploration and development and oil and gas exploration and development. Mardy has worked for regulatory agencies and aboriginal governments and include the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board, Inuvialuit Land Administration and the Gwich'in Tribal Council.

#### ***Dr. Bijaya Adhikari – Science and Regulatory Coordinator – start date October 20, 2014***

Dr. Bijaya Adhikari came to Canada from the Himalayan Country of Nepal a decade ago. He obtained a PhD from McGill University, Canada. His areas of specialization include environment, waste and water resources management. He has published over a dozen refereed articles and presented research works in national and international conferences and seminars. He reviews scientific papers for international journals such as Environmental Technology. He has several

years work experience in the field of environment, waste and water resources in Canada, France and Nepal. Before joining the IWB he worked as a consultant associated with Curtis Engineering and LVM Engineering in Calgary, Canada.

#### ***Freda Wilson - Office Administrator***

Born and raised in Aklavik, NT, graduated from SAMS and attended one term of Office Administration at NAIT. Moved to Ontario and worked in the Durham Region for the Ontario Government for over 29 years. Returned to Inuvik in July of 2008 and was hired on with the then NWT Water Board the same month and have since remained with the now Inuvialuit Water Board.

#### ***Liz Castaneda - Public Registry Assistant***

Liz moved to Yellowknife in the mid 90s and started with the then NWT Water Board in 2004. Liz has had the opportunity to see the Board go through various regulatory and staffing changes over the past years and develop into what we now know as the Inuvialuit Water Board.



### **INUVALUIT WATER BOARD**

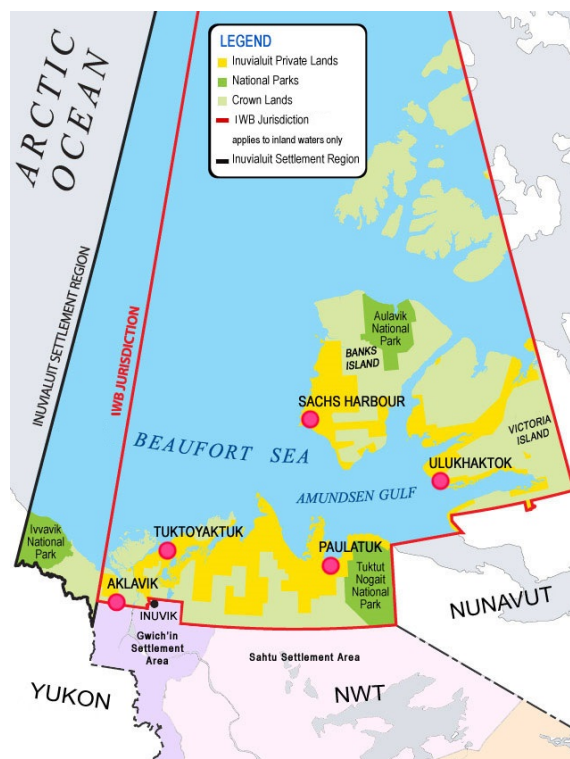
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### **Inuvialuit Water Board Area of Jurisdiction**



For more information on the Board's area of responsibility and its regulatory process visit our website [www.nwtwb.com](http://www.nwtwb.com).