

## Reviewer Comments and Proponent Responses

**Project: James Creek Highway Maintenance Camp**  
**Board: Gwich'in Land and Water Board**  
**Organization: GNWT-INF (Infrastructure)**

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| Gwich'in Tribal Council - Department of Cultural Heritage - Kristi Benson |       |                  |                         |                    |
| 1   |       | See letter       |                         |                    |

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| Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) - Mrs. Stephinie Mallon |   |   |   |                    |
| 1  | ECCC Cover Letter   | ECCC Cover Letter   | N/A   |                    |
| 2  | Topic: Incorrect Geographic Location Reference: Section 4: Location of Activities, James Creek Maintenance Camp, Land Use Permit Application Form | The information listed in Section 4 of the application indicates that the maximum latitude is 67 degrees 06'30"N, when it should be 67 degrees 08'30"N. | ECCC recommends that the Proponent provide updates to correct the geographic location in the application. |                    |

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ECCC File: 5300 000 016/002  
GLWB File: G23H002



August 11, 2023

via online review system

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Dear AlecSandra Macdonald:

**RE: G23H002 – The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Infrastructure – James Creek Highway Maintenance Camp – Type A Permit Renewal Application**

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has reviewed the information submitted to the Gwich'in Land and Water Board (GLWB) regarding the above mentioned Type A Permit Renewal Application.

ECCC provides expert information and knowledge to project assessments on subjects within the department's mandate, including climate change, air quality, water quality, biodiversity, environmental preparedness and emergencies. This work includes reviewing proponent characterization of environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures. We provide advice decision-makers regarding a proponent's characterization of environmental effects, the efficacy of their proposed mitigation activities, and may suggest additional mitigation measures. Any comments received from ECCC in this context does not relieve the proponent of its obligations to respect all applicable federal legislation.

If you need more information, please contact Stephinie Mallon at [Stephinie.Mallon@ec.gc.ca](mailto:Stephinie.Mallon@ec.gc.ca).

Sincerely,

*[original signed by]*

Stephinie Mallon  
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Attachment(s): ECCC Comments Excel Sheet

cc: Jody Small, Acting Regional Manager, Environmental Assessment, Prairie and Northern Region





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8 August 2023

Dear AlecSandra,

**Re: G23H002 James Creek Highway Maintenance Camp**

We have reviewed the above application and have the following issues or concerns at this time.

We have no concerns about activities as covered under permit G20H006, but if changes to the camp will be undertaken at any point in the future, the Territorial Archaeologist must be consulted well in advance of any ground-altering impacts in case there will be an archaeological assessment required.

Previously, we requested that documentation about engagement with the Teet'it Gwich'in RRC about any changes to this camp, in particular about traditional use and culture/heritage values, be included in the next application. This requirement stands.

As with any application, if archaeological or heritage materials are encountered during the development within the Gwich'in Settlement Area, all work must cease immediately as required by law, and the DCH and the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre in Yellowknife must then be contacted.

Sincerely,

for  
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*Gwich'in nan, nakhvek'yùu ts'àt gwitr'it*  
*tthak nakhwidavee gwiheezàa eenjit*



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