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RE: Tuktoyaktuk to Inuvik Highway Project Final Submission – Transport Canada

Dear Mr. Nasogaluak,

Transport Canada is pleased to provide this letter as the Final Submission for the construction of the Tuktoyaktuk to Inuvik Highway Project to the Environmental Impact Review Board. Transport Canada is responsible for transportation policies and programs and seeks to promote an integrated transportation system that is safe, secure, efficient, sustainable and environmentally responsible.

Transport Canada's involvement in the environmental assessment review process focused on a review of the construction and operation of 62 water crossings, of which 10 are bridges ranging from 10m – 25m in length. In addition, culvert installations and fish habitat compensation plans to be constructed in navigable waterways may be subject to approval under the *Navigable Waters Protection Act (NWPA)*.

Transport Canada will be able to fully assess potential impacts to navigation and potential navigational safety hazards after design plans have been finalized and applications have been submitted for approval under the NWPA.

Should you have any questions or would like to discuss please contact Michael Molinski by telephone at (204) 984-0440 or via email at Michael.Molinski@tc.gc.ca.

Regards,

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