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Mr. Daniel Shewchuck
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Dear Mr. Shewchuck:

Thank you for your letter of December 19, 2017, sharing the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's decisions on the proposed Ukkusiksalik National Park of Canada Management Plan.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board for the time and effort invested in providing these decisions, and for its contribution to the future of this Inuit homeland and national treasure. I also want to acknowledge all those involved for their collaboration.

Management plans are fundamental documents that are developed through extensive consultation and define a long-term vision. I am pleased that the proposed Ukkusiksalik National Park Management Plan was developed by Parks Canada and a joint Inuit-Government park planning team.

The Agency looks forward to working with the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board in the future on the approval of proposed management plans for national parks and other protected heritage areas currently under development in Nunavut.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Catherine McKenna, P.C., M.P.

