



Nunavut Wildlife Management Board Wildlife Management and Research Priorities

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The Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's (NWMB or Board) ranked priorities are based on the NWMB's main duties and functions as per subsection 5.2.33 and 5.2.34 of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA)*. The NWMB's priorities are used by the NWMB in the consideration of applications for the Nunavut Wildlife Research Trust and are a specific scoring criteria in the evaluation process.

#1 Ranked Priorities:

- Contributes to the establishment, modification or removal of levels of Total Allowable Harvest (S 5.6.16 to S 5.6.18) for stocks or populations where there is believed to be a conservation concern or that are priority species for harvest by Inuit;
- Contributes to the establishment, modification or removal of non-quota limitations (S 5.6.48 to S 5.6.51);

#2 Ranked Priorities:

- Contributes to the development of plans for the management, classification, protection, restocking or propagation, cultivation or husbandry of particular wildlife (S 5.2.34 (i));
- Contributes to the identification of wildlife management zones and areas of high biological productivity (S. 5.2.34 (b)) and/or provides recommendations on the management and protection of particular wildlife habitats including areas within Conservation Areas, Territorial Parks and National Parks (S 5.2.34 (c));

#3 Ranked Priorities:

- Contributes to the assessment of species under the Species at Risk Act and/or the recovery of species listed under the Species at Risk Act (S 5.2.34 (d));

#4 Ranked Priorities:

- Contributes to the provision of advice and recommendations concerning proposed decisions in Zones I and II that would affect the substance and value of Inuit harvesting rights and opportunities within the NSA's marine areas (S 15.3.1 to 15.4.1);
- Contributes to the provision of advice regarding the Nunavut Settlement Area's marine areas and proposed decisions which would affect those marine areas.