**Wildlife Books**

The following additional books in this series are expected in Fall 2011:

* Rocks and Minerals of Nunavut
* Insects of Nunavut
* Birds of Nunavut (revised version)

**Marine Mammals of Nunavut (2009)**

*Author: Pierre Richard (Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada)*

*Published by the Teaching and Learning Centre, Qikiqtani School Operations, Department of Education*

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“Marine mammals are an important aspect of life in Nunavut. Marine mammals are a basic food source and bi-products such as fur, hide, and tusks are all important items in daily Inuit life”

* Excerpt from *Forward* of *Marine Mammals of Nunavut*

This book describes the appearance, range, habitat, and reproductive traits of each species, and includes colour photographs of marine mammals in their natural environment. Information on predators, life span, and the status of each species in Canadian waters and the Nunavut Settlement Area are also included, along with interesting facts about species biology, or behaviour.

**Common Plants of Nunavut (2004)**

*Authors: Carolyn Mallory and Susan Aiken*

*Published in partnership with Nunavut Department of Education, Nunavut Wildlife Management Board and Canadian Museum of Nature.*

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“(In this book), you will discover the important features of plants, how they reproduce, what types of common plants are found in the Arctic, and in some cases, how plants have played a n important role in the traditional life of Inuit. In this book, we have tried to mention the traditional uses of plants found in Nunavut (and) to point out some of the adaptations that plants have undergone to survive the cold, windy winters and… to reproduce in these short, harsh summers.”

* Excerpt from *Introduction* of *Common Plants of Nunavut*

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**Terrestrial Mammals of Nunavut (2002)**

*Author: Ingrid Anand-Wheeler*

*Published in partnership with Department of Sustainable Development, Nunavut Wildlife Management, Board and Qikiqtani School Operation.*

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“The importance of wildlife to the people of Nunavut cannot be understated. For generations our people have relied on animals as a source of food, to provide clothing and shelter, and recently for economic benefits… This book describes the main species of land mammals found within Nunavut’s borders including their physical characteristics, behaviour, reproduction, diet, range, and status”

* Excerpt from *Forward* of *Marine Mammals of Nunavut* by the Honourable Olayuk Akesuk, Minister, Government of Nunavut, Department of Sustainable Development.

**Birds of Nunavut (1997)**

*Introduction by J.S. Wendt (Canadian Wildlife Service)*

*Bird descriptions written by M. Wyndham (Canadian Wildlife Service)*

*Traditional knowledge compiled by Eva Arreak*

*Published by the Baffin Divisional Board of Education*

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“(In Nunavut, at the end of the last ice age) opportunities opened up for birds. Now, rocky cliffs provided sheltered nesting sites for sea birds, which are safer from predators and are also near their fishing areas. Ponds and lakes attract water birds like loons and ducks. Flat, open areas provide good nesting sites for shorebirds and land birds.”

* Excerpt from the *Introduction* of *Birds of Nunavut*

*The Birds of Nunavut* describes information on the appearance, range, habitat, and nesting and feeding habits of 70 species of birds which are known to breed regularly in Nunavut. This text is supplemented with full colour illustrations, and a subsection entitled “*Did you Know*?” that presents an interesting fact on each of the species included.