

## PROPOSAL REVIEW

**Project Number:** 2-14-01

**Applicant:** Devin Imrie

**Title:** Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory (NCRI).

**Funding Requested:** Multiple Year Funding<sup>1</sup> - \$75,000 for 2014-2015

**Rank:** 17 / 18

**Total Score** 67.06 / 100  
(no deductions)

**Scoring Breakdown:** NWMB Priority: 8.50 / 17.50  
Regional Priority: 7.50 / 7.50  
Quality: 30.00 / 35.00  
Consultation: 8.50 / 15  
Funding: 13.31 / 25

**Project Summary:** The primary objective of this project is to complete the Nunavut Coastal Resources Inventory for all Nunavut communities. As of March 31, 2013 twelve communities were completed, with three more being done in 2013-2014. Plans are to complete two to three additional communities per year. The objectives of the Inventory are to: 1) identify and obtain existing information about coastal resources; 2) identify and record Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit through discussion with local residents and integrate it with modern science; 3) produce a database about coastal resources; 4) identify gaps in the existing knowledge base; and 5) produce and publish informational material on the project in a way that aims to integrate western science and Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit.

### Project Contributions:

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| Requested from NWMB | \$75,000         | 22%        |
| Other Contributions | <u>\$270,000</u> | <u>78%</u> |
| Total               | \$345,000        | 100%       |

### NWMB Staff Evaluation:

NWMB Priority: #4 – contributes to the provision of advice regarding the Nunavut Settlement Area's marine areas and proposed decisions which would affect those marine areas.

Regional Priority: #1 Baffin – Increase community involvement in wildlife management.

Project design: The researchers will first conduct a literature search to obtain existing information about Nunavut's coastal resources. Once the existing documented information is reviewed and recorded, Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit will be identified and recorded through community-based interviews with local residents. The information obtained through both sources will be analyzed and entered into a database and maps will be prepared when possible. This information will be used to prepare a final report that will be circulated to the Government of Nunavut's co-management partners, and the communities. The project leader is planning to work on the inventory of coastal resources in three communities that have not yet been confirmed for 2014-2015.

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<sup>1</sup> This proposal does not meet the minimum criteria of the four areas of evaluation by the NWMB; therefore, it does not qualify for Multi Year Funding, and is being brought to the Board for Single Year Funding for 2014-2015.

Application of results: The proposal indicates that this work will provide a database and interactive digital mapping files that will be useful in a number of wildlife management applications. Large scale resource maps will be produced, along with full colour, bound, and paper copies of the reports for each community.

Community involvement / consultation: The proposal indicates a thorough consultation process for the project to: 1) obtain community and Hunter and Trapper Organization buy-in; 2) conduct a pre-project visit to present information, identify key contacts, discuss project roles and responsibilities, etc. The application suggests the three communities to be part of this research in 2014-2015 have not been contacted about this project, have not been asked to provide support, and have therefore not given their support.

As per the NWRT policy, if the project is funded by the NWRT the project leader is required to: (1) provide a letter of support from all affected communities by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014; **OR** (2) provide a letter of support from a majority of the affected communities by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and provide evidence that the research has done a “conscientious” job of consulting; **OR** (3) provide the required information to demonstrate that “conscientious” consultation has been conducted by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**Recommendations:** If this project is funded, the following conditions should apply:

1. Funding should be conditional on other funding, as identified in the proposal, being approved. This should be confirmed in writing; and
2. Funding should be conditional on meeting the consultation requirements identified as per the NWRT policy.

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