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Comments - Management System for Beluga Whale Harvesting in Nunavik

You can draw on the map to help communicate your comments (for example sensitive beluga areas, ideal hunting areas, or areas where the harvest management should be done differently).

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If possible, please provide responses to the following questions:

1- Currently the harvest management of beluga aims to keep the population numbers the same over the years. Would you prefer to manage beluga harvesting to keep the population stable (regulations similar to now, possibly with changes) or to help the population increase (regulations would likely become more strict, but as the population increases, regulations would be lowered)

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2- How long would you like the next management system to last? (3 years, 1 year, something else?)

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3- If a Total Allowable Take is established again, do you think it should be shared among all of Nunavik, or divided into smaller regions?

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If possible, please provide responses to the following questions:

4- If the NMRWB decided to move away from a Total Allowable Take, what other conditions or regulations could be used to conserve the East Hudson Bay beluga, including during their migration through Hudson Strait and Ungava Bay? Examples could include closed hunting seasons, or areas, or other hunting limitations which do not include a quota. We are looking for any ways that hunting pressure on EHB beluga could be reduced, without using a Total Allowable Take. What are traditional approaches to ensuring beluga are not over-harvested?

We suggest to keep Little Whale River closed from hunting beluga at all times thru out the year. And if possible, to monitor the two places thru out the year with to make sure hunting beluga don't take place in those two rivers.

5- Have you noticed any changes in beluga abundance, migration, or health in the last 3 years? 6 years? longer? Please comment on any other changes you may have noticed as well.

We have not really seen difference in recent years. Maybe we ignore seeing due to that we can't just hunt them anywhere anytime. So, with the regulations not being able to hunt them causes us not to pursue seeing them.
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6- How many belugas are struck and lost during hunting in your community? For example, One in every five? One in every ten?

We rarely lose any due to that we harpoon the beluga first before shooting.

7- When and where does your community prefer to hunt beluga, and how many does the community hunt during these times? How many would your community prefer to hunt?

We would like to hunt nearby since many belugas pass by our community and thru the islands nearby. We would like to hunt beluga or harvest just what we need.

8- What should be the roles of partner organizations in regulating the beluga hunt (RNUK, LNUKs, DFO, Umajuit wardens)?

Keep monitoring the Little Whale River & Nastapoka River that the hunters don't catch any beluga there.
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Our quota in recent years is way too little for our community.

Our quota of average 3 per year is like a joke, laughing matter, so we definitely need increase our allowable at Aquariums: Where do they get or catch their belugas?

Elders or hunters want to know what routes do the WHB stocks take to & from?

Areas, killer whales are assisting humans in diminishing the population of belugas so if we could eliminate the areas the diminishing of belugas would greatly improve.

Hunters from Umiujaq would like to participate with Samiklorammiut in spring hunt during the no quota system. Want Samiklorammiut be more welcoming for the beluga hunt.

Believe 3rd parties such HSP, Land Holding Corp & others to stop financing hunts to Long Island. Believe that it should be DFO financially responsible for distant hunt all the way to Long Island or to James Bay area as it is costly.

Would like accurate count of EHB stocks.

Researchers stay too short of time during their study on belugas when researching.
BELUCA HEARING IN KUUJSSUAMPIK 2020

RECOMMENDATION AND URGENT IN NEED:

EASTERN HUDSON IN NUNAVIK COMMUNITIES
KUUJSSUAMPIK UMIUJQ INUKSAQ RIVIRNITUK ALIVIK
HUDSON STRAIT COMMUNITIES IN NUNAVIK
IVUJUK SALUIT KANGIRISSLUJUQ QUARTA Q
UNGAVA BAY COMMUNITIES IN NUNAVIK
KANGIRISSLUJUQ Aupaluk Tasiujaq Kuujuq Kangirsualuq
GETS THEIR OWN DELEGATES ON BELUCA MANAGEMENT THAT
WOULD WORK DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND OCEAN AND
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THAT PEOPLE OF NUNAVIK QUEBEC INUIT GETS SHARE
AND GIVEN SAME NUMBERS ON TOTAL ALLOWABLE TAKE;

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES
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TRACKING EVERY YEAR ON ESTIMATED NUMBERS GIVEN
YEAR AFTER YEAR.

RECOMMENDING THAT TOTAL ALLOWABLE TAKE IN JAMES BAY
AND LONG ISLAND IN SAME NUMBERS

RECOMMENDING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND DEPARTMENT
OF OCEAN'S NOT TO THREATEN THE INUIT PEOPLE OF NUNAVIK
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SIMON TOORNOOK

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BELUGA MANAGEMENT HEARING IN KUJIUARAPIK 2020

As we are entering new management plan on Beluga Total Allowable Take (TAT) for the next three years as I am representing the local Nunavik Umajuit Katimajut Angquirrel in Umiujaq for the Hunters as Inuit have the rights to harvest on any animals that was agreed with Federal Government and nations Aboriginal People in Canada. Now it is the right time to increase total Allowable Take (TAT) on Beluga for upcoming season. I am requesting for Umiujaq Hunters to increase total Allowable Take to 40 Belugas each year for total of 120 for three years plan. I am requesting these numbers mentioned above since the first nations Aboriginal including the Inuit People of Umiujaq have rights to harvest according to Federal Government of Canada Agreement with the first Nations of Canada including Inuit of Nunavik. This request for total Allowable Take will be in Umiujaq and vicinity. Also keep the total Allowable Take Agreement in Long Island and James Bay. Thank you.

LNNK President Umiujaq
Simon Tookalook

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We prefer to hunt beluga in the area front of UMIAQ Community (Nastapoka Sound) 15.
Richmond Gulf (Tasiujak) 15.
From Aug. Sept

8- What should be the roles of partner organizations in regulating the beluga hunt (RNUK, LNUKs, DFO, Umanuit wardens)?

- Keep Nastapoka River Close for Baluga harvest
- Keep Little Whale river Close for Baluga harvest
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"Umiujaq hunters, hunt in area from community (Nastapoka Sound) and Richmond Gulf (Tasiujaq) TAT 3 o Beluga Hats Insist"