



SUBMISSION TO THE NUNAVIK MARINE REGION WILDLIFE BOARD

Purpose

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) submission to the Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board (NMRWB) written public hearing to consider amendments Non-Quota Limitations (NQLs) for Bowhead Whale Hunting as suggested by the DFO. The NMRWB will consider the application of these amendments within the Nunavik Marine Region (NMR) in accordance with s. 5.2.3(e) of the Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement (NILCA).

Background

On March 17, 2025 DFO submitted a request for decision to the NMRWB to amend the NQLs related to the harvesting of bowhead whales in the NMR. Background, context, reasoning, and proposed amendments are included in the request for decision.

Boards Questions

Should the NMRWB approve the proposed changes to Non-Quota Limitations for Bowhead hunting in the Nunavik Marine Region? Why or why not?

DFO supports the proposed changes to the NQLs for bowhead hunting in the NMR. The proposed changes will update the language used in the NQLs and make them more reflective of current practices.

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Attachments:

None

References:

None