



April 29, 2024

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Dear Colleagues:

**Re: Nunavut Wildlife Management Board and Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board
Written Public Hearing to Consider the 2024/25 Total Allowable Catch Levels for
Northern and Striped Shrimp**

The Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB) and the Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board (NMRWB, collectively the Boards) invite you to participate in a joint written hearing to consider approval of the total allowable catch levels for northern (*Pandalus borealis*) and striped shrimp (*P. montagui*) in the Eastern and Western Assessment Zones, for the 2024/25 fishing season (the Proposal), submitted by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard.

The Proposal also requests recommendations from NWMB and NMRWB on the distribution and allocation of the total allowable catch for northern shrimp within the Davis Strait-East and -West management units. The Proposal—along with additional documents comprising the best available information—is available for download from the NWMB and NMRWB websites (www.nwmb.com; www.nmrwb.ca) or by contacting the Boards' staff at the contact information set out at the end of this letter.

NWMB and NMRWB decided (IC001-2022 and Regular Meeting #46, respectively), to hold a joint written public hearing to consider this request fully. A written public hearing is a hearing in which all submissions are filed in writing and does not have an oral component. Attached to this letter is a copy of the rules for the NWMB and NMRWB's joint written public hearing.

All written materials must be filed with both Boards—in Inuktitut and English—by no later than **5:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on May 22, 2024**. The requirement for translation at the time of filing is mandatory.

Submissions should be clearly marked as pertaining to the NWMB-NMRWB joint written public hearing to consider the 2024/25 total allowable catch levels for Northern and Striped shrimp.

Materials are deemed to have been filed on the actual day of receipt by the Boards. Please take careful note that unless persuasive written and translated reasons are provided to the Boards for late filing, the Boards will not consider materials for this hearing that are not filed on time.

Subject to relevant confidentiality or privacy concerns, all submissions and supporting documentation will be placed on the NWMB and NMRWB's website and will be available for download. Please keep in mind that the more thorough, reliable, and persuasive submissions and supporting documentation are, the more weight they will be given by the Boards in their respective *Nunavut Agreement* and *Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement* decision-making processes.

After the deadline for delivery of written submissions, the Boards will consider all the relevant evidence and arguments filed and will make their respective decisions and recommendations on the Proposal to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Canada pursuant to Section 5.3.17 of the *Nunavut Agreement* and Section 5.5.7 of the *Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement*.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to visit the NWMB and NMRWB website (www.nwmb.com; www.nmrwb.ca), or to contact the Boards directly:

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Sincerely,



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Attachments (2)

- Fisheries and Oceans Canada's EAZ WAZ 2024 TAC Submission for Decision_ENG
- Joint hearing shrimp TAC Purpose and Rules

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