

SUBJECT: Place naming in Labrador Inuit Lands (LIL) and Inuit Communities

OBLIGATION: Process for Place naming
16.3.1 - 16.3.6

PARTIES: Nunatsiavut Government
Province - Newfoundland and Labrador Geographical Names Board (NLGNB)
Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch)
Canada - Geographical Names Board of Canada Secretariat (GNBCS)

	<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>	<i>Timing</i>
1	Notify the NLGNB of intent to name, rename or recognize alternative names of Places in LIL, Inuit Communities or unnamed Places situated on boundaries of LIL. Provide: a) sufficient details; and b) reasonable time frame for response.	Nunatsiavut Government	Upon decision to recognize alternative names, name or rename Places.
2	Review information as provided; prepare and submit views.	Province - Newfoundland and Labrador Geographical Names Board (NLGNB)	Within time frame indicated in Activity 1 (b).
3	Give full and fair consideration to views presented by NLGNB.	Nunatsiavut Government	After receipt of views and before making a final decision.
4	Make decision and provide notice in writing to the Minister of Environment and Conservation, the GNBCS and NLGNB of its decision to name, rename or recognize.	Nunatsiavut Government	As soon as practicable.
5	Review the decision and approve or disallow, and provide written reasons if disallowing the decision.	Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch)	Within 60 clear days of receipt of notification of Nunatsiavut Government decision.
6	Restart process with Activity 1.	Nunatsiavut Government	As desired if disallowed.

7	If approved, take steps to publicize name as per Activity sheet 16-2.	<p>Nunatsiavut Government</p> <p>Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch)</p> <p>Canada - Geographical Names Board of Canada Secretariat (GNBCS)</p>	As soon as practicable after approval.
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PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS, GUIDELINES AND EXPLANATIONS

During the Consultation with the Newfoundland and Labrador Geographical Names Board (Activity 1 through 4), the Nunatsiavut Government may collaborate with the Geographical Names Board of Canada Secretariat in the course of making its decision.

The Minister is not required to approve a decision by the Nunatsiavut Government in writing and in the absence of any response within 60 clear days of notification, the decision is deemed approved (16.3.6).

Most naming decisions will involve the Province except in cases where a naming decision affects federal lands (e.g. Department of Defence or National Parks). Current practice is for Newfoundland and Labrador Geographical Names Board to consult with those affected federal departments and the Geographical Names Board of Canada Secretariat.

FINAL AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

16.3.1 Subject to this part, the Nunatsiavut Government has the exclusive power:

- (a) to select Place names, rename Places, recognize alternative Place names and determine the suitability of Place names in Labrador Inuit Lands;
- (b) to rename the Inuit Communities and to select Place names, rename Places, recognize alternative Place names and determine the suitability of Place names with respect to Places that are wholly situated within the boundaries of the Inuit Communities; and
- (c) with respect to Places that do not have official names that are situated on a boundary of Labrador Inuit Lands or that extend within and outside Labrador Inuit Lands or that run through Labrador Inuit Lands, to select Place names, rename Places, recognize alternative Place names and determine the suitability of Place names.

16.3.2 The Nunatsiavut Government, in carrying out its powers under section 16.3.1, shall Consult the Newfoundland and Labrador Geographic Names Board and may collaborate with the Geographical Names Board of Canada.

16.3.3 The Nunatsiavut Government shall provide the Minister, the Newfoundland and

Labrador Geographic Names Board and the Geographical Names Board of Canada with written notice of a decision under section 16.3.1.

- 16.3.4 The Minister may approve or disallow a decision of the Nunatsiavut Government under section 16.3.1 within 60 clear days from the date when the decision is received.
- 16.3.5 If the Minister disallows a decision of the Nunatsiavut Government under section 16.3.1, the Minister shall give the Nunatsiavut Government the reasons, in writing. The Nunatsiavut Government may make a new decision and sections 16.3.2, 16.3.3, 16.3.4, 16.3.6 and 16.3.7 and this section apply to the new decision.
- 16.3.6 If the Minister does not give notice of disallowance of a Nunatsiavut Government decision under section 16.3.1 within the time set out in section 16.3.4, the decision is deemed to have been approved.

CROSS-REFERENCED AND RELATED PROVISIONS

General Definitions and Interpretation - 1.1.1 - "Consult"

16.3.8 - Government shall use approved Place names

16.3.9 - Legal validity for use of Place names

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY AMENDMENTS

Under Part 17.38 of the Agreement, the Inuit Communities will cease to be municipalities after the Inuit Community Governments are established. When these communities are no longer subject to the Municipalities Act, 1999, responsibility for approval of names of the Inuit Communities will be transferred from the Provincial Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs to the Provincial Department of Environment and Conservation. Appropriate amendments to the relevant legislation administered by these Departments will be required. The Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs will have jurisdiction over naming within the communities in the transition period between the Effective Date and the establishment of the Inuit Communities.

Activity sheet: 16-2

SUBJECT: Place names in Labrador Inuit Lands (LIL) and Inuit Communities

OBLIGATION: Publication and use of names
16.3.7 & 16.3.8

PARTIES: Nunatsiavut Government
Province - Department of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch)
Province - Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (MAPA)
Canada - Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)

	<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>	<i>Timing</i>
1	Publish name change in public registry of Inuit Laws.	Nunatsiavut Government	After completion of approval process described in Activity Sheet 16-1.
2	Provide copy of name change to the Province - Department of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch) and Canada - NRCan.	Nunatsiavut Government	As soon as practicable after the new name comes into effect.
3	Take steps to recognize and use new Place name, including: a) prepare Cabinet paper; b) publish notice in Provincial Gazette; and c) enter new name in Provincial database.	Province - Department of Environment and Conservation (Lands Branch) - or - Province - Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (MAPA)	As soon as practicable after receiving notification from Nunatsiavut Government.
4	Take steps to recognize and use new Place name, including entering new name in federal database.	Canada - Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)	As soon as practicable after receiving notification from Nunatsiavut Government.

FINAL AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

16.3.7 The Nunatsiavut Government shall not publish a decision under section 16.3.1 until the decision has been approved under sections 16.3.4 or 16.3.6.

16.3.8 A Place name that has been approved in accordance with this part is the Place name for official purposes and shall be used by all Governments in the preparation of maps and other publications.

CROSS-REFERENCED AND RELATED PROVISIONS

16.3.1 - Nunatsiavut Government powers in relation to place naming
16.3.4 - Approval process for place naming
16.3.6 - Approval process for place naming
Self government 17.5.1 - Inuit Registry of Laws

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY AMENDMENTS

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SUBJECT: Place naming outside Labrador Inuit Lands (LIL) and Inuit Communities

OBLIGATION: Process for Place naming Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (LISA) outside Labrador Inuit Lands (LIL) and outside Inuit Communities 16.4.1 & 16.4.2

PARTIES: Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation
 Canada - Minister of relevant federal department
 Canada - Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)
 Nunatsiavut Government

	<i>Activities</i>	<i>Responsibility</i>	<i>Timing</i>
1	Notify the Nunatsiavut Government of any proposal to name or rename: a) a Place in LISA outside LIL and outside the Inuit Communities; b) a Place name in Inuktitut in the Province outside LISA; or, c) any official Place name that runs through or is on a boundary of LIL. Provide: ii) reasonable time frame for response.	Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation - or - Canada - Minister of relevant federal department	Upon intent to name or rename.
2	Review information as provided; prepare and submit views.	Nunatsiavut Government	Within the time frame established in Activity 1 (ii).
3	Give full and fair consideration to views presented by Nunatsiavut Government.	Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation - or - Canada - Minister of relevant federal department	After receiving views and before making final decision.
4	Make decision and inform the Nunatsiavut Government and other government. Provide written reasons for varying or declining any views or recommendations provided by	Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation - or - Canada - Minister of relevant federal department	As soon as practicable after receipt of views or recommendations.

	the Nunatsiavut Government.		
5	If approved, take steps to recognize and use new Place name, including entering new name in databases.	Nunatsiavut Government Province - Minister of Environment and Conservation Canada - NRCan	As soon as practicable after receiving notification of decision.

PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS, GUIDELINES AND EXPLANATIONS

Most naming decisions will involve the Province except in cases where a naming decision affects federal lands (e.g. Department of Defence, Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development or National Parks). In cases of Place naming on federal lands, the responsible Minister for the Department or Agency will initiate the consultation. Current practice is for Canada to consult the relevant provincial Department/Agency before making the decision.

It is anticipated that in most cases, the Provincial Minister will delegate his obligation to Consult to the Newfoundland and Labrador Geographic Names Board.

FINAL AGREEMENT PROVISIONS

- 16.4.1 The Minister shall Consult the Nunatsiavut Government about:
- i) any proposed new Place name or change of Place name in the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area outside Labrador Inuit Lands and the Inuit Communities;
 - ii) any proposed new Place name in Inuktitut or change of Place name in Inuktitut in Newfoundland and Labrador outside the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area; and
 - iii) any proposed change of Place name with respect to a Place that has an official name and that is situated on a boundary of Labrador Inuit Lands or that extends within and outside Labrador Inuit Lands or that runs through Labrador Inuit Lands.
- 16.4.2 The Minister shall give the Nunatsiavut Government the reasons, in writing, for declining or varying any views or recommendations of the Nunatsiavut Government provided under section 16.4.1.

CROSS-REFERENCED AND RELATED PROVISIONS

- 16.3.8 - Government shall use approved Place names
- 16.3.9 - Legal validity for use of Place names
- General Definitions and Interpretation - 1.1.1 - “Consult”