



Crown-Indigenous Relations
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Marine Planning Forum 2026 Nunavik Marine Region

Government of Canada Role

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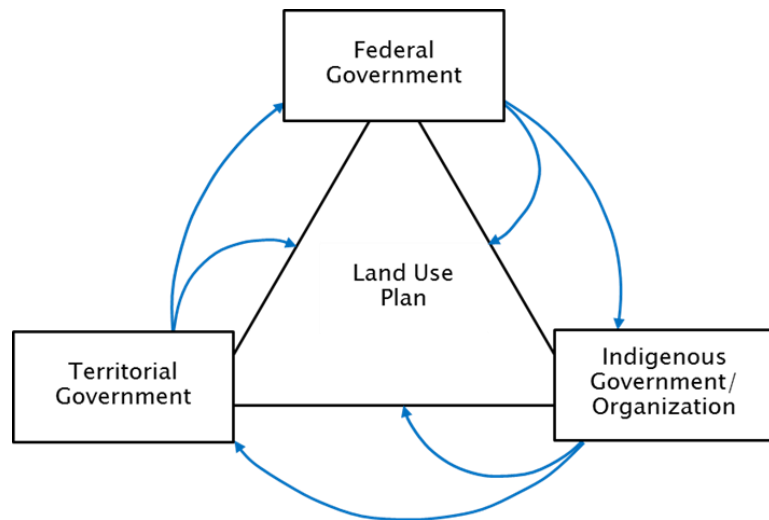


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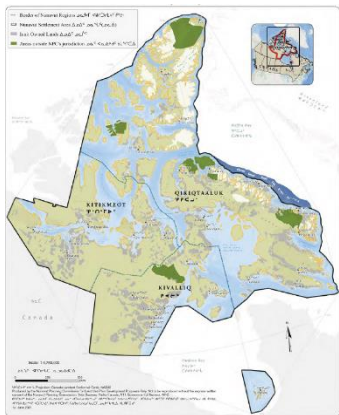
Land Use Planning in the North

- Based on the co-management principle - a foundation of the north's integrated land and water management regulatory regime
- Central to achieving objectives identified in northern land claims agreements



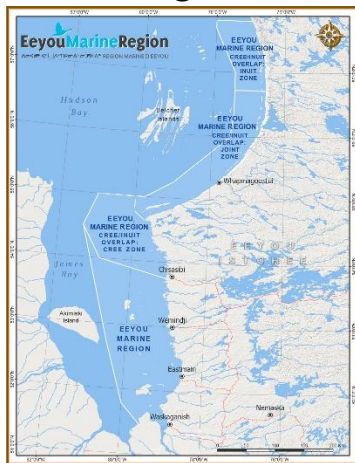


Planning Areas

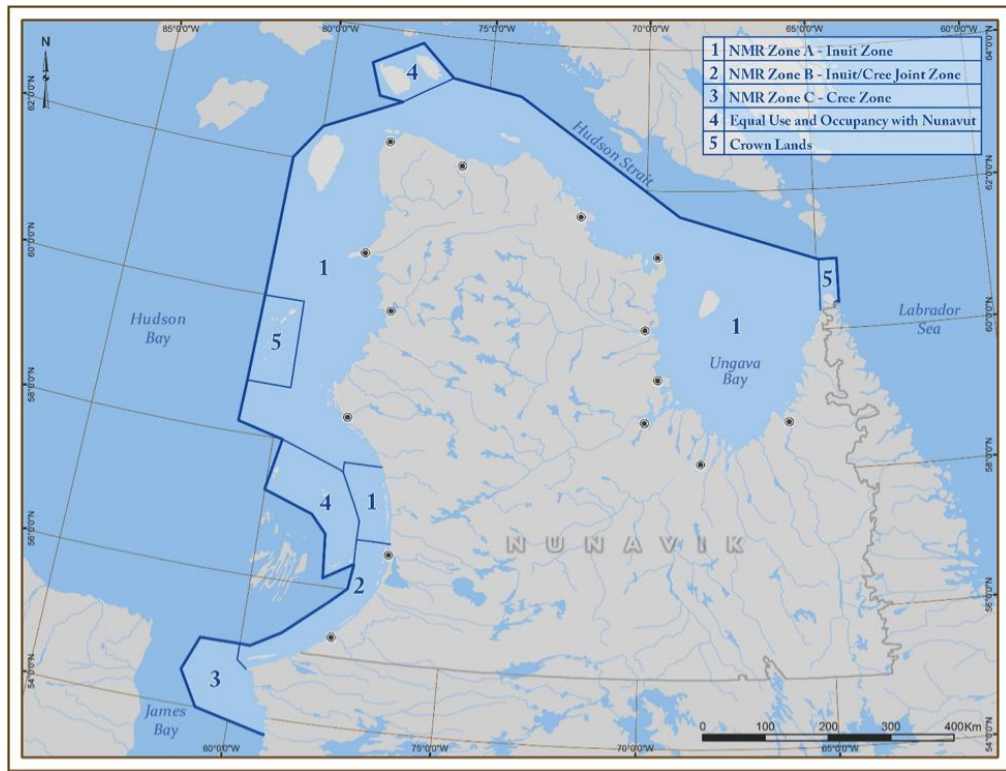


Nunavut Settlement Area

Eeyou Marine Region



Nunavik Marine Region





Government of Canada Role – Departmental Functions

- **Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada**
 - Participates in the entire planning process
 - Coordinates a **whole of government approach** for the Government of Canada's review of land use plan processes
 - Fulfillment of the Nunavik Inuit Land Claims Agreement
 - Legal, efficient, and credible planning practices
 - Regulatory improvement and efficiency
 - Consideration of Inuit Societal Values
 - Federal regulators share responsibility for implementation of plan requirements, where applicable





Government of Canada Role – Departmental Functions

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada coordinates its work with ten other federal departments/agencies:

- Canadian Coast Guard
- Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency
- Department of National Defence
- Environment and Climate Change Canada
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada
- Global Affairs Canada
- Justice Canada
- Natural Resources Canada
- Parks Canada
- Transport Canada





Government of Canada Role – Federal Minister

- **Minister of Northern and Arctic Affairs**

- Shared decision-making role on land use plans and amendments submitted by the Commission
- Must consider Nunavimmiut, Makivvik and the entire public process in the decision
- Approves or rejects exemptions to land use plans requested by proponents



The Hon. Rebecca Chartrand, P.C., M.P.





Government of Canada Role – A Closer Look

What does this look like in practice?

- Involved throughout the planning process:
 - Pre-planning and setting objectives
 - Review draft and participate in public hearings
 - Shared decision-making during plan approval
 - Implementation of plan requirements





Questions?

Nakurmiik, Qujannamiik, Nakummek, Quana, Ma'na, Thank you, Merci

