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1. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Call for Nominations gives industry the opportunity to identify blocks of land it would like to see posted for bidding in the Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta. All nominations received through this process are given full consideration for inclusion in a succeeding Call for Bids.

BEAUFORT SEA & MACKENZIE DELTA

The Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta is a region proven to be particularly rich in petroleum resources, reflective of the economic potential of Canada's North. Although some 60 discoveries have been made, there remains high potential for new oil and gas fields in large undrilled geological structures, particularly in the offshore. Lands included in this Call for Nominations fall within the Inuvialuit Settlement Region.

Northwest Territories Devolution

The Northwest Territories Lands and Resources Devolution Agreement was signed on June 25, 2013. This agreement will see responsibility for the Public Lands, water and resource management in the Northwest Territories transfer from Canada to the Government of the Northwest Territories as of the Transfer Date (expected April 1st, 2014). Interests issued in the <u>Onshore</u>, as defined in the Northwest Territories Lands and Resources Devolution Agreement, will, following the Transfer Date, be under the administration and control of the Government of the Northwest Territories.



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2. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS

The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development hereby calls for the submission of nominations for Frontier Lands, as defined in the *Canada Petroleum Resources Act*, located in the Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta of the Northwest Territories. Maps are included.

Nominations received may be included in a subsequent Call for Bids for Exploration Licences.

Lands currently under licence which revert to Crown reserve status during the course of this Call for Nominations may also be posted. Please refer to our registry activities at www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100036878. This site will list any changes to licences such as surrenders and terminations and is updated frequently. Note that lands subject to Withdrawal Order P.C. 2010-219 may be nominated in anticipation of amendment of the withdrawal order (see Call for Nominations Maps).

Interested parties are highly encouraged to read the proposed 2013-2014 Call for Bids for Exploration Licences in the Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta documentation prior to nominating lands.

The exercise of petroleum exploration rights is subject to specific terms and conditions relating to the environment and must comply with requirements under land claims as well as for northern benefits. Such information is contained in the Proposed 2013-2014 Call for Bids for Exploration Licences and within the terms of the Exploration Licence.

(a) CONTENT OF POSTING REQUESTS

All posting requests must be described in accordance with the attached *Guidelines for Parcels North of Latitude 60° N.* Each tract posted shall comprise laterally or diagonally contiguous blocks.

Each tract posted shall be fully located in either the <u>Onshore</u> or the Offshore as defined in the *Northwest Territories Lands and Resources Devolution Agreement.* Areas of interest which straddle the <u>Onshore</u> and Offshore should be nominated as separate parcels.



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PARCEL SIZE

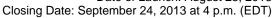
The size of parcels posted varies according to location. The following Table 1 sets out the minimum and maximum size of parcels within each area.

TABLE 1 MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SIZE OF PARCELS				
Location	Minimum	Maximum		
North of latitude 75° N onshore and offshore	1 grid	8 grids		
North of Line "A"* including Arctic Islands and area subject to work prohibition order	1 grid	6 grids		
South of Line "A"* including Beaufort Sea and mainland Territories (excluding Mackenzie Delta and Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula)				
North of latitude 70° N	½ grid	3 grids		
South of latitude 70° N	1 grid	6 grids		
Area subject to work prohibition order	¼ grid	3 grids		
Mackenzie Delta west of longitude 133° W and Tuktoyaktuk Peninsula	¼ grid	4 grids		

^{*}Parcels straddling line "A" will have their maximum size determined by using the maximum size indicated for south of Line "A"

A Posting Request Form is attached and should accompany the request.

Nominations abutting the Line of Delimitation on the Call for Nominations Map shall be described by grids, sections and units.





AREA SUBJECT TO WORK PROHIBITION ORDERS

Part of the western Beaufort Sea is subject to work prohibition orders^{1.} Although lands may be nominated within this general area, the Minister may decide not to include these within a subsequent Call for Bids. Should an Exploration Licence be issued, it may be subject to a work prohibition order pursuant to section 12 of the *Canada Petroleum Resources Act*.

Nothing in this Call for Nominations shall affect or prejudice in any manner Canada's position with respect to the nature or extent of jurisdiction or sovereign rights over maritime areas in the Beaufort Sea.

(b) SUBMISSION OF POSTING REQUESTS

All requests must be submitted by fax no later than September 24, 2013 at 4 p.m. (EDT).

Each request should be addressed as follows:

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BEAUFORT SEA & MACKENZIE DELTA
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Attention: Northern Petroleum Resources Directorate Northern Petroleum and Mineral Resources Branch

Facsimile: 819-953-5828

(1) The Governor in Council may, in the case of

¹ Canada Petroleum Resources Act, section 12.

⁽a) a disagreement with any government concerning the location of an international boundary,

⁽b) an environmental or social problem of a serious nature, or

⁽c) dangerous or extreme weather conditions affecting the health or safety of people or the safety of equipment

by order, prohibit any interest owner specified in the order from commencing or continuing any work or activity on the frontier lands or any portion thereof that are subject to the interest of that interest owner.

⁽²⁾ Where, by reason of an order made under subsection (1), any requirement in relation to an interest cannot be complied with while the order is in force, compliance with the requirement is suspended until the order is revoked.

⁽³⁾ Notwithstanding any other provision in this Act, the term of an interest that is subject to an order under subsection (1) and the period provided for compliance with any requirement in relation to the interest are extended for a period equal to the period that the order is in force.

⁽⁴⁾ Nothing in this section affects the authority of the Minister to relieve a person from any requirement in relation to an interest or under this Act or the regulations.



Requesters are advised to give prior notice of their intent to submit a fax by calling 819-997-0048 or 819-953-2087 immediately prior to transmission. Telephone confirmation will be provided, if requested, upon receipt of the fax.

Only the fax copy is necessary; original copies are not required.

All submissions received will become property of the Crown and will not be returned. All information concerning nominations will remain confidential.

(c) PRIORITY OF POSTING

Priority of posting will be determined by order of receipt. Date and time of receipt will be that recorded by the fax machine of the Northern Petroleum Resources Directorate (formerly Northern Oil and Gas Branch) in Gatineau, Quebec.

In case of overlapping requests, the first to be received will have priority. The second requester will be informed of the area remaining in the request which does not overlap a prior nomination. The second requester will be required to state whether they would like to maintain their posting on the remaining lands or withdraw the request.

(d) RESULTING CALL FOR BIDS

Any individual or company which requests the posting of a parcel(s) is expected to submit a bid(s) in an ensuing Call for Bids for Exploration Licences. Requesters are advised to examine the proposed 2013-2014 Call for Bids for Exploration Licences in the Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta documentation as well as terms and conditions of an Exploration Licence. The Minister reserves the right to refuse future posting requests by that individual or company should a bid not be submitted.

The Minister will take into account all nominations in developing a Call for Bids but may modify nominations to configure a bid block following consultation with the nominee.

The Minister is not obliged to proceed with a Call for Bids for any lands posted.



FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

For more information on this Call, the rights issuance process or the resource management regime, please contact:

Rights Administration
Northern Petroleum Resources Directorate
Northern Petroleum and Mineral Resources Branch
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
10 Wellington
Gatineau, Quebec
Postal Address:
OTTAWA ON K1A 0H4

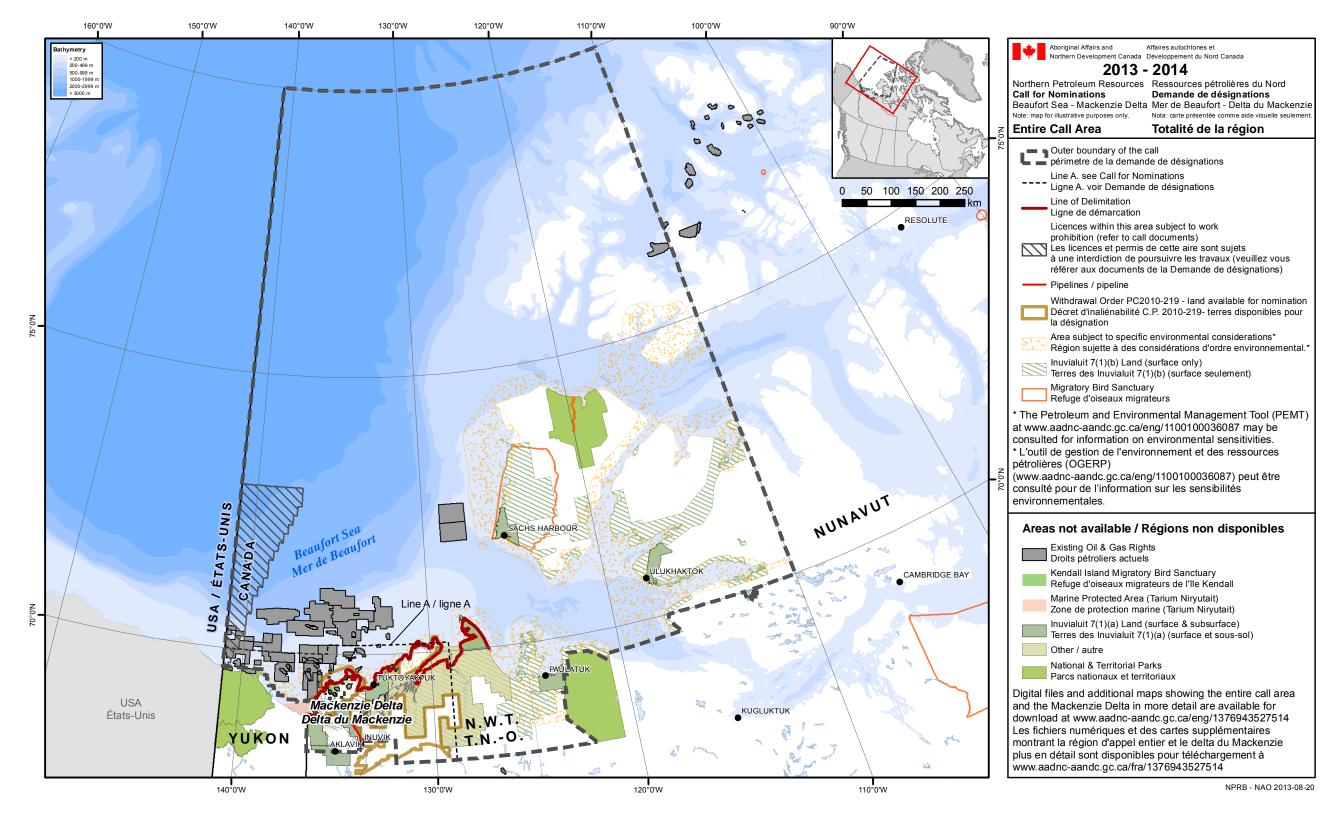
Tel: 819-953-2087; Fax: 819-953-5828

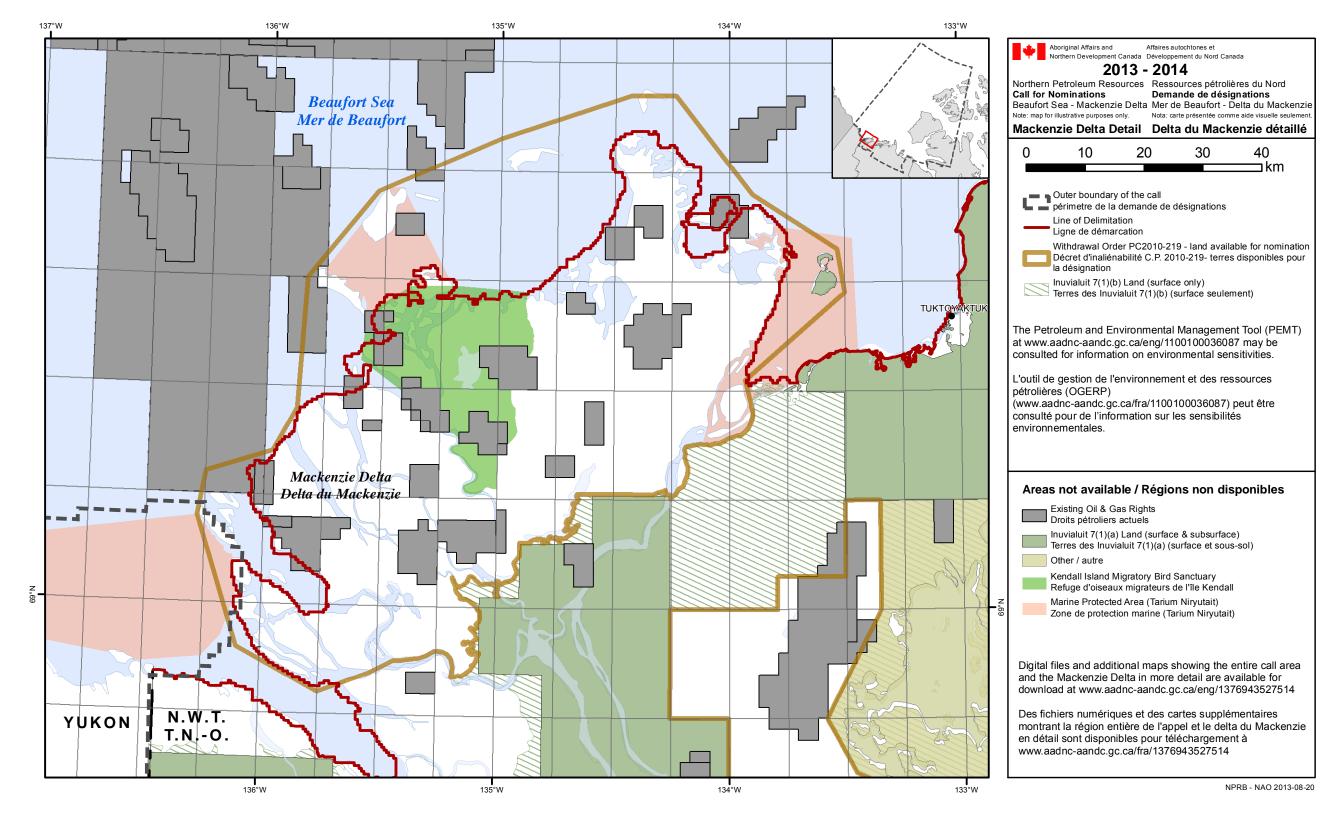
Rights @aadnc-aandc.gc.ca

www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/nth/og/index-eng.asp

Any geological and well information with respect to the lands or area may be obtained from:

Regulatory Data Analyst
Operations Business Unit
National Energy Board
444 Seventh Avenue SW
CALGARY AB T2P 0X8
Tel: (403) 292-4800; Fax: (403) 292-5876
FIO@neb-one.gc.ca
www.neb-one.gc.ca







GUIDELINES FOR PARCELS NORTH OF LATITUDE 60° N

These guidelines summarize the land description system for parcels north of latitude 60° N. For more detailed information see section 4 of the *Canada Oil and Gas Land Regulations*. [Geographic coordinates are referenced to North American Datum 1927 (NAD27).]

Land areas are divided into grids, grids into sections, and sections into units.

Grids are bounded to the east and west by successive meridians of longitude:

- for lands south of latitude 70° N, the boundaries are spaced every 15' of longitude (e.g., 122° 00' W and 122° 15' W), or
- for lands north of latitude 70° N, the boundaries are spaced every 30' of longitude (e.g., 122° 00' W and 122° 30' W).

To the north and south, the boundaries of grids are defined by straight lines joining the points of intersection of their east and west boundaries with successive parallels of latitude spaced every 10' (e.g., 60° 00' N and 60° 10' N). Every grid area is referred to by the latitude and longitude coordinates of its northeast corner (e.g., 60° 10' N, 122° 00' W).

The number of sections into which a grid is divided depends on the latitude where the grid is located.

A section is bounded to the east and west by meridians:

- for lands between latitudes 70° N and 75° N, the boundaries are spaced at intervals of 1/10 of the distance between the east and west boundaries of the grid area, or
- for lands between 60° N and 68° N, and between 75° N and 78° N, they are spaced at intervals of 1/8 of this distance, or
- for lands between 68° N and 70° N, and between 78° N and 85° N, they are spaced at intervals of 1/6 of this distance.

Fig: 1 Sample grid with 80 sections

80	70	60	50	40	30	20	10
				39			
				38			
				37			
				36			
75	65	55	45	35	25	15	5
				34			
				33			
				32			
71	61	51	41	31	21	11	1

To the north and south, the boundaries of sections are defined by straight lines drawn parallel to the north and south boundaries of the grid and spaced at intervals of 1/10 of the distance between these boundaries.

Thus, grids have 100, 80 or 60 sections (10x10, 8x10, or 6x10) depending on their location.

The sections are numbered and each is referred to by its number (see Figure 1).

Every section is divided into 16 equal units, each of which is identified by a letter (see Figure 2).

Fig: 2 Units in a section

М	N	0	Р
L	K	J	I
Е	F	G	Н
D	С	В	Α



This posting request is submitted in response to the





POSTING REQUEST FORM

Land Nominations for Exploration Licences

Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta Call for Nominations closing on September 24, 3013. _, on behalf of _{_} (Name of individual) (Phone number / fax number / email) requests that the following lands be posted in the next Call for Bids for **Exploration Licences in the Beaufort Sea & Mackenzie Delta.** Signed ____ (Date: yyyy-mm-dd) (Signature) (Print name and title)

Land Description

Please attach the land description for nominated parcel(s) which include the grid latitude, longitude, section(s), number of sections per grid, and total number of sections as per the sample below.

Sample Land Description

Latitude*	Longitude*	Section(s) (and Units)
69° 40' N	133° 15' W	9 (A-D), 10 (D, E, L, M), 19(A-P), 20(A-B, H-G, I-
		J, O-P), 30 (A-M)
69° 50' N	133° 15' W	1-4 (All Units), 11-12 (All units),21 (All Units).

^{*}North American Datum 1927 (NAD27)

Each parcel requested for posting must conform to the size limitations described in the Call for Nominations. Areas of interest which straddle the Onshore and Offshore should be nominated as separate parcels. Nominations abutting the Line of Delimitation on the Call for Nominations Map shall be described by grids, sections and units.

Posting request forms must be submitted by fax to:

Northern Petroleum Resources Directorate Northern Petroleum and Mineral Resources Branch Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Facsimile: 819-953-5828

Telelephone: 819-997-0048 OR 819-953-2087

