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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is derived from the Hamlet of Taloyoak and represents one component of the Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory (NCRI). "Coastal inventory", as used here, refers to the collection of information on coastal resources and activities gained from community interviews, research, reports, maps, and other resources. This data is presented in a series of maps.

Coastal resource inventories have been conducted in many jurisdictions throughout Canada, notably along our Atlantic and Pacific coasts. These inventories have been used as a means of gathering reliable information on coastal resources to facilitate their strategic assessment, leading to the promotion of economic development, coastal management, and conservation opportunities. In Nunavut, the coastal resource inventory has two additional applications: the preservation of traditional knowledge (Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit, or IQ) and the preparation for forthcoming environmental changes, particularly those driven by climate change.

The Fisheries and Sealing Division of the Department of Environment (DOE) initiated this inventory in 2007 by conducting a pilot project in the community of Igloodik, Nunavut. The NCRI has since been completed in the following communities:

- 2008 Kugluktuk and Chesterfield Inlet
- 2009 Arctic Bay and Kimmirut
- 2010 Sanikiluaq
- 2011 Qikiqtarjuaq and Gjoa Haven
- 2012 Iqaluit, Repulse Bay, and Grise Fiord
- 2013 Pangnirtung
- 2014 Coral Harbour, Clyde River, and Taloyoak

This report presents the findings of the coastal resource inventory of Taloyoak, which was conducted in March, 2014.

Inventory deliverables include:

- A final report summarizing all of the activities undertaken as part of this project;
- Provision of the coastal resource inventory in a Geographic Information System (GIS) database;
- Large-format resource inventory maps for the Hamlet of Taloyoak, Nunavut; and
- Key recommendations on both the use of this study as well as future initiatives.

During the course of this project, Taloyoak was visited on two occasions. In February 2014, a community visit and meeting with the Hunter and Trappers Organization determined there was community interest in participating. In March 2014, on-site interview sessions were conducted. Nine interviews with eleven interviewees were conducted. During the interviews we asked participants about the coastal species they currently observe or have previously observed in the area and had them draw the location of their observations on the maps that we provided. We used photographs to help participants identify the species they have seen. The interviews varied from 2.5 - 6 hours, depending on the participant. The data collected throughout the interviews was compiled into a database and the maps were digitized and analyzed.

The maps produced in the interviews are presented here, organized into the following categories: Marine Mammals, Fish, Birds, Invertebrates, Marine Plants, Areas of High Diversity, and Other.



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INTRODUCTION

This document is one in a series of reports produced by the Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory (NCRI). The overall goal of this initiative is to conduct inventories in all 26 of Nunavut's coastal communities. Each community is unique in terms of its physical environment, oceanographic setting, organisms present, and the interests and approaches of its hunters and trappers..

THE COASTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY

A coastal resource inventory is a collection of information on coastal and aquatic resources and activities gained principally from interviews with elders and hunters in each community. Coastal resources are defined as the animals and plants that live near the coast, on the beaches, on and around islands, above and below the surface of the ocean, above and below sea ice, on the sea floor, and in lakes and rivers.

All of the community-specific data is digitized and mapped using a Geographic Information System (GIS). This approach can be an effective tool to assist with management, development, and conservation of coastal areas.

Resource inventories have been conducted along Canada's Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The information has been used to provide the foundation for an integrated coastal management plan, to assist with the protection of important coastal areas, and to facilitate environmental impact assessments, sensitivity mapping, and community planning. Coastal resource inventories have also provided different levels of government with the tools to engage in strategic assessments, informed development, and enlightened stewardship.

The principle source of information for community-based coastal inventories is traditional knowledge or, in Inuktitut, Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ), gathered through interviews. Over the past 50 years, Inuit have transitioned

from a resource-based nomadic life style to a wage-based economy. Coastal and land-based activities remain extremely important, contributing to Inuit quality of life, providing income and food, and as a significant part of the Inuit culture. The NCRI aims to retain some of this valuable knowledge by engaging community elders, hunters and fishers to document the presence, distribution, and characteristics of various coastal resources. IQ is unique in that it is qualitative, intuitive, holistic, spiritual, empirical, personal, and often based on a long time-series of observations (Berkes 2002). It is particularly useful for recording historical data that are unattainable in any other manner. A complementary coupling of IQ and scientific knowledge may provide a means to better understand and manage coastal resources.

Information on coastal resources may provide insights regarding the potential for future fisheries development or other economic opportunities. Given the high unemployment rates in many of Nunavut's coastal communities, it is increasingly important to identify areas of potential economic development. In order to determine both feasibility and long-term sustainability of a new fishery, information on species-specific abundance and distribution of fish stocks (or other coastal resources) must be obtained. Combining communal knowledge of local resources can be a vital step in establishing a commercialized fishery. This information could also lead to the identification of potential coastal parks and related tourism opportunities. This may include sensitive coastal areas, breeding grounds, important species, and unique habitats. Attaining this information comes with much responsibility, however, and should be accompanied by a vision for the resource, coupled with an implementation plan. The resource should be thoughtfully governed from the outset to avoid unsustainable exploitation.

Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ) embodies both tangible and intangible Inuit knowledge. Conserving this knowledge has importance in its own right and for its potential to

Figure 1. Map of Nunavut





inform future management plans. Some communities have expressed an interest in exploring development options using a database that has its origins in the living memories, experience, history, and skills of the people who live there. Other communities have opted for a continuation of existing practices: the gathering of extant knowledge into a form that could assist informed decision-making. Regardless, there is growing urgency throughout the Territory to identify, record, and conserve Nunavut's traditional, biological, cultural, and ecological knowledge.

There is increasing concern over the impact of climate change on the Arctic environment. Over the past 20 years, an increasing number of arctic researchers have commented on the predicted impacts of climate change on the marine environment (Tynan and DeMaster 1997, Michel et al. 2006, Ford et al. 2008a, 2008b, Moore and Huntington 2008). Additionally, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change has reported that the increase in global temperatures is very likely caused by human activity, and that warming is predicted to occur faster in the Polar Regions than anywhere else on the planet (IPCC 2007, 2014). Many changes are predicted to occur in recurrent open water sites, with the potential to affect various coastal resources. Specific impacts can be expected on water stratification and its role in nutrient renewal, the balance between multi-year and annual ice, the duration and location of open water, and the impacts of tidal mixing and topographic upwelling. These physical changes could influence the marine food web through the prevalence of ice algae, the timing and magnitude of primary and secondary production, and changes in the distribution, abundance, and success of traditional species. Inuit can expect significant environmental changes in sea ice, fast ice, coastal erosion, animal behaviour, and population abundances, to name a few. For instance, apparent changes in polar bear health and abundance have been linked to climate change driven shifts in sea ice formation and movement. The coastal resource

inventory provides a means of collecting information on environmental changes observed by community members.

PERSONNEL AND PROJECT DELIVERABLES

The Coastal Resource Inventory of Taloyoak was conducted by North/South Consultants Inc., a Winnipeg firm under the direction of the Department of Environment (DOE). Overall project leadership was provided by Devin Imrie, Acting Director, Fisheries and Sealing Division.

Project deliverables include:

- A final report summarizing project activities;
- The Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory in a GIS database;
- A series of large-format resource inventory maps;
- Access to all documentation pertaining to project completion; and
- Recommendations on the use of this study and future initiatives.

METHODOLOGY

COMMUNITY VISITS

After receiving community support for the project in February 2014, the community was visited for on-site interview sessions in March 2014. A scoping session was designed to put into place all of the elements that were required to properly conduct the interviews. This process depended on the support and participation of the Taloyoak HTO and the Hamlet office. The HTO agreed to support this initiative by providing a formal letter of support. The HTO also provided a list of local Inuit hunters and trappers who, in their opinion, were among the most knowledgeable and accomplished members of the community and could best satisfy the requirements of the interview process. The final selection of eleven interviewees (Appendix 1) was made by NCRI project personnel in consultation with HTO members. In addition, HTO personnel recommended the names of individuals who could be used as translators and the school principal provided the name of a student intern. The HTO office was selected to accommodate the interviews.

THE INTERVIEWS

Six individuals were present during each interview: the interviewee, an interviewer, a translator, a recorder, a science consultant, and a student observer. The interviewer followed a defined protocol that placed emphasis on a series of predetermined questions and photographs of various living resources thought to occur in the area. Maps covering the area of interest and colour coded pencils were provided for interviewees to illustrate locations of interest. Interviewees were encouraged to supplement their responses by drawing on the maps provided to annotate their verbal remarks. Specific categories addressed in the interviews included: interviewee life-history information; locations of outpost camps; archaeological sites; travel routes and hunting/fishing areas frequented; the geographic occurrence of mammals, fish, birds, invertebrates, and plants; linkages

between coastal resources; present and future environmental changes; and potential economic development (e.g. the possibility of an emergent fishery). Qualitative data was gathered in the form of individual opinions, assumptions, and conclusions.

Annotations on the maps were coded to enable future identification and reference. Follow-up questions were asked of the interviewee, clarifications were elicited, and, if appropriate, discussion ensued about the information presented. The entire process was recorded using audio and video equipment, while selected portions were simultaneously manually recorded. Manual recording was used to maintain a running record of all map annotations and codes. This permitted the analysis of interviews to proceed without first transcribing the audiotapes. The interviews varied from 2.5 - 6 hours, depending on the individual being interviewed.

POST-INTERVIEW METHODOLOGY

All of the data manually recorded throughout the interview was entered into a spreadsheet, using audio and video data for verification when needed. The maps were scanned and the hand drawn data was digitized using Geographic Information System (GIS).

NON-INTERVIEW DATA ACQUISITION

Data on marine resources can be found scattered throughout many different sources including scientific papers, government reports, environmental impact assessments, and maps. However, three surveys with similar geographic breadth and goals have proven to be especially useful. The three-volume *"Inuit Land Use and Occupancy Study"* was undertaken in the early 1970s and published in 1976 by Indian and Northern Affairs. It grew out of the documentation required by the land claim process and was used to substantiate Inuit claims to residency and land use. The study contained

detailed information on traditional land use up to that time, based on interviews with Inuit in each community. It used topographic maps to outline regions associated with hunting, trapping, and fishing activities for every community in Nunavut over three periods: pre-contact, the trading period up to the 1950s, and the present (early 1970s). The third volume is an atlas that displays the results. The original research is available in Ottawa at the National Archives and a copy is also available in the Legislative Library in Iqaluit.

The second is the Nunavut Atlas co-published in 1992 by the Canadian Circumpolar Institute and the Tunngavik Federation of Nunavut. This atlas is largely data collected for the Inuit Land Use and Occupancy Study. The resource data and maps are great resources but the information is approximately 35 years old. Relevant maps from this volume are presented in this report (Figures 48-58).

The third document is the *Nunavut Wildlife Harvest Study* produced by the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board in 2004 as mandated by the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement. Harvest data was collected monthly from Inuit hunters from 1996 to 2001. The purpose of the study was to determine the current harvesting levels and patterns of Inuit use of wildlife resources. Once completed this information was to be used to manage wildlife resources in Nunavut.

DATA MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS

Data collected through interviews and research were, when appropriate, plotted on working maps. In order to stay within the size of the geographic area under discussion, the scale of the map is kept relatively small. The scale was common to all maps to permit relatively easy comparisons. Information was separated according to resource categories and all information associated with a specific geographic location was entered into a tabular database. The development, care, and maintenance of this

tabular database are extremely important, not only as a storage facility for information, but as an active repository accessed by users with diverse interests.

Data management also included protecting the confidentiality of the data. Each interviewee provided their consent to be interviewed, as well as audio and video taped. Any person or organization wishing to access NCRI data must provide written justification to the NCRI Steering Committee and agree to the terms outlined in the Data Release Form.

GIS INTERFACE

Once the inventory maps and database were completed, they were entered into a GIS which creates computer-generated maps. It also links information to the geographic locations contained in the database. Attributes associated with each piece of data include information such as the species name, the interviewee source, and the time of year it was observed.

INTERACTIVE ATLAS

The NCRI results are published in community-specific reports that are shared with project partners (community HTOs, Hamlets, high schools, and all interviewees) and that are publicly available in hard-copy and PDF formats.

Reports are currently produced in English and Inuktitut. The results from all communities are also displayed online in an interactive atlas, with this information available within a year of interviews in a community. The reports can take up to two years to produce. Links to access the Atlas: ncriatlas.ca and <http://www.gov.nu.ca/environment/information/nunavut-coastal-resource-inventory>

Figure 2. The study area extent discussed in the Taloyoak interviews





MARINE RESOURCES IN A PHYSICAL SETTING

The coastal communities of Nunavut are diverse, extending over 27° of latitude and 60° of longitude. In addition to different geomorphologies, climates, and wildlife they also experience widely different marine environments. These include: significant differences in residual circulation, tidal range, tidal currents, tidal mixing, shore-fast leads, ice-edge upwelling, topographic upwelling, and polynyas; all of which influence the abundance, diversity and concentration of marine animals and plants. The oceanographic context in which these organisms occur, especially the causal mechanisms that contribute to population dynamics, is an essential prerequisite to understanding changes that occur over time.

One of the stated goals of this initiative is to develop the capacity to monitor Nunavut's marine resources within the context of climate change. Organisms will experience the impacts of climate change, both directly and indirectly, through changes in their physiology and through variations in their physical or biological environments. Responsible monitoring of marine resources will require more than just a quantitative assessment of certain species; it will require an ecosystem approach that, by definition, includes the physical factors at play in that system.

RECURRENT OPEN WATER AND ARCTIC BIOLOGY

The presence of open water in winter can be a chance occurrence that reflects either temporary or recurring conditions. Temporary open water sites are largely unpredictable and have limited usefulness to animals and humans. Alternatively, recurrent open water sites are a

physical indicator of one or several predictable physical processes that result in spatial and temporal reliability.

The formation of recurring open water sites in ice-covered seas, including polynyas, pack ice edges, and shore-fast leads reflect local geography, ice conditions, and water movements such as upwelling and tidal mixing. There is a positive correlation between recurrent open water sites and abundance of marine organisms. Stirling (1980, 1997) identified increases in the abundance of birds, seals, and whales with proximity to ice edges, polynyas, and pack ice. In some cases, animals are drawn to these sites for practical reasons such as the availability of breathing holes, a platform to haul out and rest, predator avoidance, pupping, or moulting (Stirling 1997). Ultimately, recurrent open water sites encourage a non-homogeneous distribution of animals that is linked to greater biological productivity.

Major contributing factors in the abundance of marine organisms observed at reoccurring open water locations is due to food availability, the product of primary production in phytoplankton, ice algae, and marine plants. Algal groups are important but their relative contributions can vary depending on ice conditions and available light. Ice algae can represent 5 to 30% of the total primary production (Alexander, 1974; Harrisson and Cota, 1991; Legendre et al 1992). Plant material is grazed and enters into the food web, supplying energy to invertebrates, such as copepods, amphipods, and shellfish, to fish such as Arctic Cod, to mammals such as seals, Narwhal, Walrus, and Polar Bears, and to birds such as Thick-Billed Murres, Northern Fulmars, Black-Legged Kittiwakes, and Black Guillemots. This results in a form of oasis or hotspot in an otherwise ice-covered area. With climate change, the sea ice thinning faster and earlier in the spring and sunlight sufficient to drive photosynthesis, especially in ice algae, is available sooner. These conditions are extending both the growing and grazing seasons, in some cases by as much as two months.

These open water sites also appear to have great importance to the peoples that have occupied the Arctic for several thousand years. Archaeological data obtained from historic Inuit habitation sites, coupled with modern sea-ice extremes, have been used to infer a strong causal relationship between polynyas and historic Inuit settlement patterns (Henshaw 2003). Schledermann (1980) drew attention to the fact that the early settlers of present-day Nunavut did not create settlements in random fashion. Since they depended almost entirely on food resources obtained through hunting, settlements were usually located within reasonable proximity of game, which often meant areas of recurrent open water. Schledermann (1980) also found a close correlation between the distribution of recurring polynyas in the eastern Canadian High Arctic and the abundance of archaeological sites from the Thule culture that specialized in hunting marine mammals.

OCEANOGRAPHIC FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO OPEN WATER

The Hamlet of Taloyoak is located in the high arctic on the Boothia Peninsula, in the Kitikmeot region, lying at 69°32'12"N, 93°31'37"W.

TIDAL MIXING

Even at somewhat limited velocities, tidal currents can produce sufficient turbulence to generate the vertical mixing capable of forming and maintaining a polynya. A slow-moving tidal current that encounters a shallow and/or narrow strait increases in velocity, promoting vertical mixing. Tidal mixing also delivers nutrients, which promote plant and algal growth when sufficient light is available, especially in summer months. Examples of this phenomenon are the well-known polynyas in Fury and Hecla Strait at the head of Foxe Basin (Hannah et al 2009).

POLYNYAS

If the Arctic were covered with a thick, seamless layer of sea-ice, many of the organisms that currently exist there and contribute to the region's productivity would find it impossible to survive. Polynyas and leads provide the necessary breaks in the ice that permit sunlight to penetrate and photosynthesis to proceed (in both planktonic and ice-based algae), allow mammals to breath, and permit over-wintering birds to feed. Wind, water movement, and heat transfer are among the primary factors that contribute to the establishment and maintenance of these open water sites.

Polynyas have long been viewed as extraordinary because of the obvious contradiction of open water occurring in conditions that promote ice. The explanation for this phenomenon is twofold: in some cases the introduction of heat forestalls ice formation, while in others any newly formed ice is rapidly removed. The process is controlled by wind and/or ocean currents, which remove any ice formed at the site. Other factors include turbulence from surface waves or currents that can inhibit ice formation, adjacent coastlines, and shore-fast ice or ice bridges that prevent ice from drifting into polynyas (Hannah et al 2009).

Recurring polynyas typically occur between near shoals and islands, within the land-fast ice. There are two types of polynyas that reoccur each year: those that remain open all year long and those that only freeze over for one or two of the coldest months of the year. Animals such as seals, walrus and some migratory sea birds use these polynyas as important over-wintering areas.

Although strong tidal currents, sometimes associated with the formation of polynyas, have been observed on the west side of King William Island, there are no known polynyas in this area. This may be due to the lack of a deep basin in the area to act as a reservoir for warm water (Hannah et al 2009).

LAND-FAST LEADS (FLAW LEADS)

Extensive systems of land-fast leads occur throughout the Arctic. Land-fast ice generally comprises first-year ice, possibly mixed with multi-year remnants, that is fixed to the coast. This ice platform extends outward, eventually merging with offshore pack ice (Sterling 1981). The physical presence of this ice cover modifies tidal and wind energy, dramatically changing circulation (George 2004). Eventually, a fracture or crack may develop between the attached ice and the free-floating pack ice due to offshore winds, or through the actions of coastal currents. These leads are normally linear in shape and run parallel to shorelines. They are recurrent and predictable in their location and are among the areas where open water is found most consistently during winter and early spring. Because of these factors, land-fast lead systems are of great biological importance.

The boundary between the ice edge and the beginning of the lead is an ecosystem that is very important and has been identified as biologically rich and diverse by many elders and previous research. For instance:

- The land-fast ice edge is an important Inuit hunting site (Crawford and Jorgenson 1990)
- During late spring and early summer, large numbers of sea birds and marine mammals congregate at the edges of land-fast ice (McLaughlin et al. 2005)
- Ringed seals and polar bears are the only marine animals that regularly occupy extensive land-fast coastal ice (Tynan and DeMaster 1997)
- Bearded seals prefer relatively shallow water (<150 m) with thin shifting ice and leads kept open by strong currents (Tynan and DeMaster 1997)
- Along with polynyas, land-fast lead systems and ice edges play key roles in influencing the abundance

and distribution of marine mammals and sea birds (McLaughlin et al. 2005)

- Satellite observations of polar bears in multi-year ice show that they are often associated with leads (Stirling 1997)
- High densities of arctic cod are found immediately below the edge of land-fast sea ice, linked to the availability of high concentrations of copepod prey (Crawford and Jorgenson 1990)
- Near the ice edge the diet of adult ringed seals and narwhal is composed primarily of arctic cod while amphipods and copepods are consumed in smaller numbers (Bradstreet and Cross 1982)

The reasons for greater biological abundance and diversity associated with land-fast leads and ice edges are largely the same as those outlined above for recurrent open water. However, upwelling is an additional mechanism that appears to occur at shore-fast and pack ice edges.

UPWELLING: TOPOGRAPHIC AND ICE-EDGE

Upwelling is a mechanism by which colder, deeper water is moved to the surface, where it can create and/or maintain ice-free open water. Topographic upwelling occurs where a current moving through warmer subsurface water is deflected or welled upward toward the surface by a bottom structure such as a sill, bank, or ridge (Tee et al. 1993).

Ice-edge upwelling occurs when wind blows parallel to the ice edge and causes surface water to move away from the edge. The surface water is then replaced from below (Tang and Ikeda, 1989). The upwelling zone may be several kilometres wide and draw subsurface water from depths of up to 100 metres. This phenomenon has been observed in the Bering Sea (Alexander and Niebauer 1981), the Arctic

Ocean (Buckley et al. 1979, Johannesen et al. 1983) and off the coast of Newfoundland (Tang and Ikeda 1989).

Upwelled water usually carries nutrients into the upper layer where, with sufficient light, both phytoplankton and ice algae can grow and provide a strong stimulus to the local food web. This is one explanation for why polynyas and shore-fast leads are so productive.

MARINE RESOURCES IN THE CONTEXT OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Over the past 20 years, many Arctic researchers have commented on the impending probability of global warming, with its predicted impacts on the marine environment as well as the abundance, diversity, and well-being of marine organisms (Tynan and DeMaster 1997, Michel et al. 2006, Moore and Huntington 2008). Changes may occur affecting water stratification and its role in nutrient renewal, the balance between multi-year and annual ice, the relative importance of ice algae, the timing and magnitude of primary and secondary production, changes in traditional species distributions and hunting sites, amongst others. Each of these changes could exert some influence on the food web and the state of the resources as they are presently defined.

RESOURCE INVENTORY

The observations below provide highly personal and very useful insights that could be worthy of additional investigation.

MARINE ENVIRONMENT

The geographic area identified by interviewees as the normal range of their hunting and fishing activities include both coasts of the Boothia Peninsula and many inland lakes. This large area extends on the west side from Franklin Lake on the Back River system in the south to areas around Prince of Wales and King William islands and extends north to the Bellot Strait. On the east side, use occurs from Kuugaruk to Fort Ross with the most use occurring in Lord Mayor Bay.

HUNTING/FISHING

Taloyoak hunters/fishers depend on a broad array of animals to supply their country food needs. Ensuring access to and availability of country food continues to be an issue of importance and concern for the community.

MARINE MAMMALS IN GENERAL

- Marine mammals, specifically whales and seals, were noted by two interviewees to be more abundant on the east side of the Boothia Peninsula. The west side was noted to be mountainous.

Polar Bear

- Several of the interviewees reported an increase in the number of polar bears along the eastern coast of the peninsula in recent years, particularly in the Lord Mayor and Thom Bay areas. The bears appear to be more abundant inland near the community of Taloyoak than they were in the past and less so on the



coast and ice where they used to be commonly found. Interviewees felt this increase may pose a threat to the community. One interviewee noted that the ratio of juvenile bears to adult bears has also increased in the last few years. Some believe the higher numbers are a direct result of the restrictions imposed on bear hunting in the region initiated in the 1970s.

- One interviewee noted that polar bear populations fluctuate from year to year but do not seem to be increasing or decreasing.

Seals

- An elder interviewee noted an increase in the number of ringed seals on the east side of the peninsula and around Lord Mayor and Thom bays. However, there appears to be fewer along the coast on the west side of the peninsula.
- Ringed seal abundance was considered by one interviewee to be in decline in general. Based on having hunted seal for many years, he recently has had to wait longer by a seal hole when hunting.
- Ringed seals were noted to be abundant in Lord Mayor Bay and bearded seal were abundant on the north side of King William Island.
- Another interviewee noted that seals are no longer afraid of hunters and people.
- Bearded seal were noted to occasionally move up river to Netsilik Lake.

Walrus

- Walrus numbers are increasing in Josephine Bay, Lady Murchison Bay and in the Franklin Strait area (3_110-112) and are getting closer to the community. While in the past, the interviewee would only see walrus every few years, their presence has recently become an annual occurrence.

Figure 3. Map of known polynyas in Nunavut

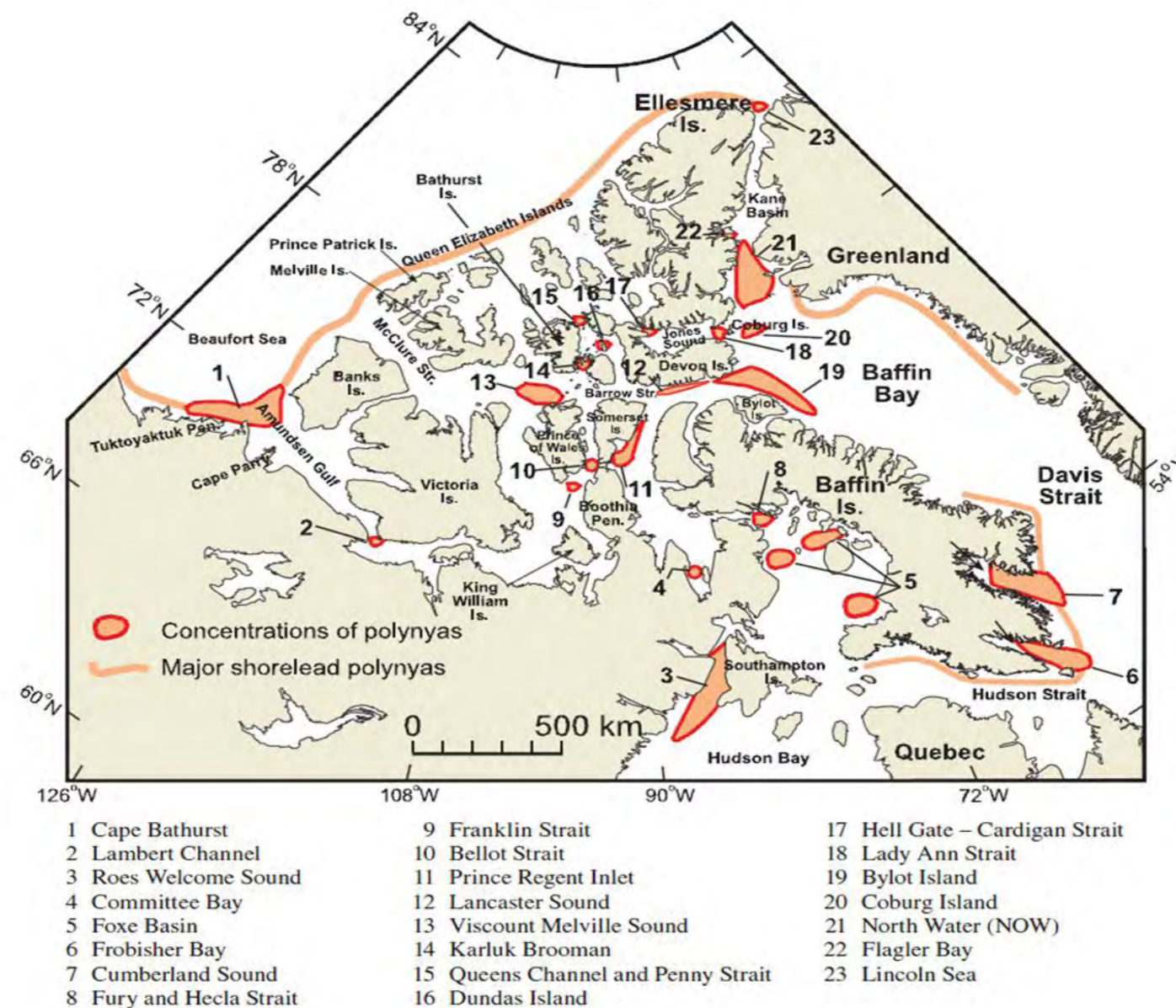


FIG. 1. A map of known polynyas in the Canadian Arctic, adapted from Barber and Massom (2007) and Stirling (1981). The Karluk Brooman polynyas were identified by Schledermann (1980) and Brown and Nettleship (1981).

Whales

- Interviewees described natural annual variations in whale abundance, with unusually high numbers of beluga and narwhal passing near the community every few years. This comment was made with particular reference to whales in St. Roch Basin.
- One interviewee noted that the overall abundance of whales in the Lord Mayor Bay vicinity seems to have generally decreased since his youth.
- Beluga abundance is considered to fluctuate from year to year, however, every three or four years, the numbers spike. The late 1980s was memorable for an exceptionally high harvest. Similarly, in 2010, hunters captured approximately 100 belugas in Spence Bay.
- According to one interviewee, bowhead whales (known as Right whales to older interviewees) appear to be increasing in abundance year after year in Lord Mayor Bay. In September 2012 and 2013 hunters from Taloyoak and Gjoa Haven, respectively, each succeeded in the capture of a single Bowhead Whale from Lord Mayor Bay.¹

Fish

- Fish were noted to be generally abundant in Netsilik Lake.
- Two interviewees noted an increase in the abundance of fish since their youths.
- All lakes containing fish were noted to be good for continuous fishing.
- One interviewee observed a significant decrease in the number of sea-run char available (unnamed lake 2_33) in the last five years.

¹ In each case it was the first bowhead captured in a generation (Nunatsiaq Online September 07, 2012, Nunatsiaq Online September 26, 2013). Hunters counted 25 to 30 bowhead in the bay while hunting in 2013, describing many of them as too large to be hunted. (Nunatsiaq Online September 26, 2013).

- Char catch in Redfish Lake has declined over the past five years from 4,000 to 2,000-3,000 over a two month period.
- Land-locked Char are believed to have been extirpated from Redfish Lake during the 1970s and 1980s due to overfishing for dog food.
- Another participant observed a decline in the abundance of Lake Trout in Middle, Krusenstern and Pangnikto lakes since the late 1980s.
- The Murchison River, as well as most lakes, were noted for an abundance and diversity of fish species
- Increasing incidences of hook avoidance by Lake Trout and Landlocked Char was reported in Netsilik Lake. Thirty years ago, hook avoidance was not a problem and the interviewee suggested it may be in response to increased fishing pressure.

Invertebrates

- Invertebrates were not noted to be harvested by any interviewees.

Birds

- Harvest of ptarmigan and geese for food has not changed.
- Egg harvesting was noted to be a significant food source.

HEALTH, SIZE, AND PRESENCE

Throughout the course of the interviews numerous references were made regarding the health, size, or presence/absence of different species.

Wildlife in general

- One interviewee described a change in the behaviour of most wildlife in recent years. Wildlife is no longer afraid of the hunters and land users.
- Although no species specific information was provided, one interviewee noted that some species were getting larger, while others were getting smaller.
- The use of tags in the scientific monitoring of wildlife populations is of concern to one interviewee who feels that it is at least partially responsible for the declining abundance and health of a variety of species of wildlife.

Whales

- Some harvested beluga are showing changes in the structure of their skin. The layer of skin is now thinner than the layer between the skin and the fat. The thickness and consistency of the fat itself does not appear to have changed.
- Beluga and Narwhal have changed their historical migratory patterns along the western coastline of the Boothia Peninsula in recent years. One interviewee noted that beluga and narwhal are increasingly avoiding the path into the St. Roch Basin area on the east side of King William Island, and are instead migrating directly to the west side of the island.

Fish

- One interviewee who frequently fishes at Middle Lake has noticed a decrease in the average size of the Lake Trout harvested from this lake.
- One interviewee indicated that fish are generally healthy.
- One interviewee described fish in general as having become smaller, thinner and less meaty, regardless of the location at which they were captured.

- Some localized changes in fish health and appearance have been noted recent years:
 - Arctic Char in an inland lake upstream of Abernethy Bay were noted to have been skinnier this spring (2014) than they have been in previous years. The interviewee suggests a correlation with the low water levels in the last few years.
 - Arctic Char with cysts, lesions or pustules in the flesh have been captured by one interviewee occasionally.
 - One quarter to one half of the Arctic Char captured in Redfish Lake appeared to be suffering from an illness. Symptoms included red spots, sores, lumpy flesh, and scarring of the flesh. These ill fish are skinnier than the average fish, with less fat. The interviewee described a parasitic infection of the gut in many fish.
 - In the last few years, one interviewee reported that Lake Trout captured in Middle Lake tend to be smaller in size compared to previous years.
 - Another interviewee noted that the fish from the east and west sides of the Boothia Peninsula are tasting more similar every year. The interviewee explained that, in their youth, the fish from the two regions had distinctly different flavours. It was thought that the richer food base on the east side, compared to the west side of the peninsula was responsible for the difference.

Invertebrates

- Interviewees have not noticed changes in the abundance of marine invertebrates, except for a single report of an increase in the abundance of Jellyfish since the 1980s.
- Invertebrates are noted to be more abundant on the east side of the Boothia Peninsula as opposed to the west side.



- Clams were noted to be more abundant near and on shore between Oscar and Josephine bays.
- Amphipods were noted to be abundant everywhere.

Birds

- Interviewees remarked on the increasing abundance of geese over the years and an increase in the abundance and diversity of birds in general near their community.
- The Canada Goose was noted to have appeared in the area in 1990.
- Some birds are smaller and less healthy than they used to be. Wetlands are not as clean as they used to be. The decrease in size and health of the species in question may have to do with pollution.
- Two interviewees indicated that new species of birds have been observed in the last five to six years. One specified that new species of ducks, geese and other birds were arriving in the area surrounding Taloyoak.
- Birds near the town are not as numerous as they used to be and appear to be sick.

CHANGES UNDERWAY

- One interviewee expressed concerns about water and air pollution and its effects on the animals and the people who consume them.
- Water was noted to not be as good as it used to be. No significant effects were noted to date but the interviewee was concerned about the future.
- Food security was noted to be a concern for one interviewee as food prices were too high.
- Climate change was noticeable to one interviewee as in the last five years unstable ice conditions, ponds drying up (2010), little snow (winter 2013/2014), and unpredictable weather have been observed. The same

interviewee noted that rare wind patterns have been observed such as higher clouds moving in opposite direction than lower clouds. Char were also observed gathering in a deep hole in Spence Bay during the summer which was considered unusual.

- One participant noted that little snow in 2013/2014 resulted in a shortage of country foods. A lack of food in the community freezer appeared to confirm this.
- One interviewee did not note any changes specifically but indicated that there have been cooler springs and summers and warmer winters recently.
- A change of the Narwhal and Beluga migration routes: these species are now moving towards Cambridge Bay rather than following the coast of the Boothia Peninsula. The interviewee believed the change is connected to the recent installation of sonic devices in Pasley Bay and Oscar Bay. The interviewee believed the change may be due to the sounds or vibrations emitted by these devices.
- One interviewee expressed concern for future generations once the snow no longer comes. While he understands the need for jobs in his community; he was concerned with the effects of mining on the environment and his community.
- Polar Bear hunting restrictions were regarded by two participants as unfair to hunters which seems to be resulting in an increase in the abundance of bears. Tagging programs for scientific purposes may be having a negative impact on the animals' health and abundance.
- Birds were noted to arrive in their territory skinnier than they used to be in the past. This may be the result of pollution or poor food sources in the south. Concerns were raised about air traffic/ bird collisions, partially as a result of the airport being too close to the garbage dump.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Interviewees listed valued existing infrastructure such as:
 - the community freezer;
 - the new dock (2013) for the barge; and
 - locally owned boats.
- Interviewees listed commercial fishing, whaling (Beluga and Narwhal), and caribou hunting as potential sources of income either in the form of guided hunting expeditions or supplying meat for the commercial market.
- Several interviewees believe there is great opportunity for eco-tourism as the land is rich in birds (particularly around Lady Melville and Netsilik lakes), bears, whales and other wildlife. One interviewee has been considering creating an outpost camp.
- There are tourism opportunities for bird photography south west of Lady Melville and Netsilik lakes.
- As part of encouraging economic development in the future, one interviewee suggested creating an outpost camp in order to teach youth to hunt and travel on the land.
- Netsilik and Lord Lindsay lakes were identified as having enough fish to sustain a commercial harvest, with the latter currently being used for subsistence fishing by the HTO.
- Lord Lindsay Lake, Thom Bay and Lord Mayor Bay were identified as regions with enough Arctic Char to support a fishery.
- Netsilik Lake, Lord Lindsay Lake and Murchison River were identified as supporting abundant populations of fish in general, enough to support a commercial harvest.

- Interviewees identified the need for:
 - a structure which would provide a suitable space to process and dry fish, process seal skins, smoke and dry country meat;
 - a tannery to process seal skins;
 - a workshop in which sleds could be built and maintained;
 - a community owned fishing vessel approximately 30 feet in length, like the one currently in Gjoa Haven;
 - safe anchorage in the bay near town for larger vessels which cannot tie to the dock; and
 - a second, or larger community freezer.

MAPS AND TABLES

The following group of maps summarizes the geographic context, species locations, and information from earlier studies (derived from the *Nunavut Atlas*). The maps are accompanied by data in tables, which provides additional detail, along with descriptive information, when available. Table 1 describes the map codes used in the tables.

Generally, maps comprise groupings of several species or a single species as reported in multiple interviews. Species and interviews are normally color-coded and locations are labeled with a number. The first number in the label refers to a specific interview while the second is a location identifier. These labels can be used to look-up relevant information in the table associated with each map.

The species identified by interviewees as being distributed “Everywhere” are not mapped in this report. The designation of “Everywhere” was used when interviewees felt that the organism under discussion has been observed everywhere throughout their travels and places with which they are very familiar. Giving a species an “Everywhere” designation does not confer any information about abundance nor should it be presumed to be ubiquitous; it is only a measure of distribution relative to where the interviewee has been. “Everywhere” data is provided in the table of data following the maps.

Note: The asterisk (*) after some species names in the titles of the maps indicates that the species was also considered to be seen “Everywhere” by some interviewees. Species identified as being “Everywhere Only” are shown by the use of a solid bullet in the Map legend.

Table 1. Guide to map codes

| CATEGORY | MAP CODE |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Present {2005 and later} | Appended with 'P' |
| Historic {2004 and before} | Appended with an 'H' |
| Everywhere (seen all over/no specific place/only where they go) | Appended with a lower case 'e' |
| High Abundance | Appended with an 'A' |
| Migration (use arrows to indicate direction) | Appended with an 'M' |
| Spawning / Nesting / Denning / Calving / Popping areas | Appended with an 'S' |
| Nursery Area | Appended with an 'N' |
| Significant Area of High Diversity | SADP |
| Significant Unique Area | SAUP |
| Significant Area for Other Reason | SAOP |
| Other | OTH |
| Area Known Best (area most familiar with or a travel route) | AKB |
| Camp / Cabin (typically modern) | CAMP |
| Camp / Cabin (typically modern) | CAMP |

Some species were described by a portion of the interviewees as being “Everywhere” while other interviewees provided specific locations for the same species. In these cases, an asterisk has been placed after the species name in the title of the map. For example, arctic char is written as “Arctic Char*” in the map title because it was reported in specific locations, as well as being “Everywhere”. The asterisk simply provides a visual cue that the species has two designations.

Please note that the data presented on birds has been further qualified in Appendix 3. Of all the species presented to the interviewees, birds (e.g. sandpipers or gulls) present the greatest challenge in proper identification; a challenge often encountered by even the keenest observers. To assist in interpreting the data, Appendix 3 compares observations recorded through the inventory with literature and sightings by other authors. In the future, inventory work will endeavour to qualify all species reported in a similar way.



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Figure 4. Historic and current camp sites, cabins and grave sites

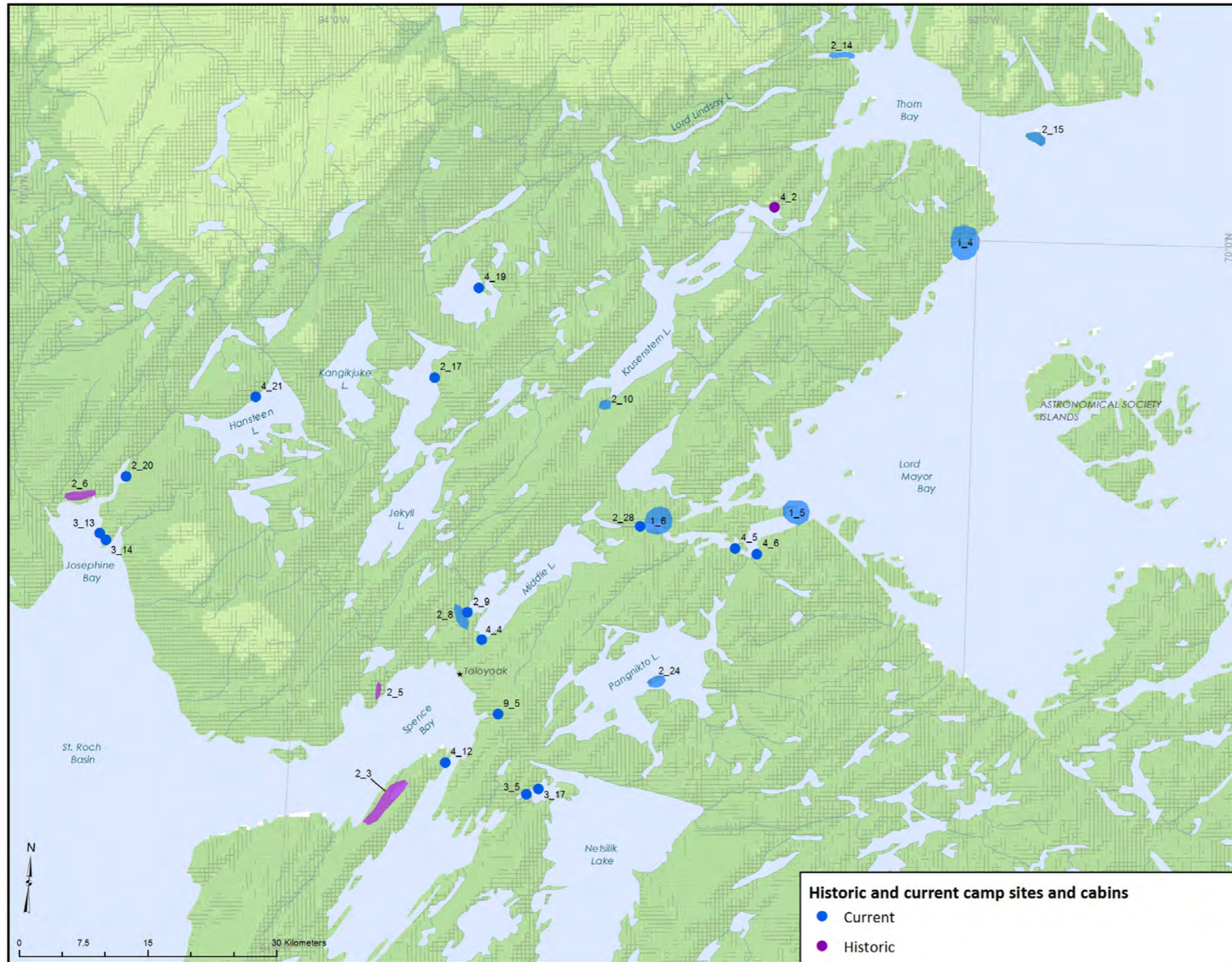




Table 2. Historic and current camp sites, cabins and grave sites

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|------------------------|--|
| 1_4 | Tayk_1_0314 | camp site | - | - |
| 1_5 | Tayk_1_0314 | camp site | - | used mainly for sealing |
| 1_6 | Tayk_1_0314 | camp site | - | used mainly for Char fishing |
| 2_3H | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | tent rings; historic camp site |
| 2_4H | Tayk_2_0314 | grave site | - | - |
| 2_5H | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | used by grandfather |
| 2_6H | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | tent rings; historic camp site |
| 2_8 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | - |
| 2_9 | Tayk_2_0314 | cabin | - | cabin |
| 2_10 | Tayk_2_0314 | cabin | - | currently used; two cabins |
| 2_14 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | used for hunting seal |
| 2_15 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | used for hunting seal |
| 2_17 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | used for fishing for Lake Trout |
| 2_20 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | - | fishing camp |
| 2_24 | Tayk_2_0314 | camp site | May | Spring camp: area is a good source of goose eggs |
| 2_28 | Tayk_2_0314 | cabin | year-round | cabins |
| 3_2 | Tayk_3_0314 | grave site | - | - |
| 3_3 | Tayk_3_0314 | grave site | - | - |
| 3_5 | Tayk_3_0314 | camp site | summer | near the river; used primarily in the summer |
| 3_8 | Tayk_3_0314 | cabin | summer | Pasley Bay; cabins |
| 3_9 | Tayk_3_0314 | cabin | summer | Abernethy Bay; cabins |
| 3_12 | Tayk_3_0314 | cabin | summer | Oscar Bay; cabins |
| 3_13 | Tayk_3_0314 | cabin | summer | Josephine Bay; cabin |
| 3_14 | Tayk_3_0314 | cabin | summer | Josephine Bay; cabin |
| 3_17 | Tayk_3_0314 | camp site | summer | hunts mostly around Netsilik Lake for fish, caribou, fox, wolverine and polar bear |
| 4_2H | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | May, early June | spring sealing camp |
| 4_4 | Tayk_4_0314 | cabin | July through September | cabin at Middle Lake with boat |
| 4_5 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | summer | on points of land |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|----------------|--|
| 4_6 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | summer | for sealing (Ring, Harp and Bearded seals); broken ice in the area all summer long |
| 4_12 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | summer | favoured spot for camp |
| 4_15 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | May | for hunter/guide training (mid-May) |
| 4_19 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | April | uses this site frequently |
| 4_21 | Tayk_4_0314 | camp site | May | late May |
| 7_4 | Tayk_7_0314 | grave site | - | grave in which a small boy and his toys were buried |
| 9_1 | Tayk_9_0314 | camp site | - | - |
| 9_5 | Tayk_9_0314 | cabin | spring, summer | cabin built 1.5 years ago; uses it from May/June all summer |

Figure 5. Historic and current travel routes and travel obstacles



Table 3. Historic and current travel routes and travel obstacles

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|--|
| 1_8 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | used mainly for hunting bear |
| 1_9 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | used mainly for hunting bear, short cut to travel route 1_8 |
| 1_10 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | used mainly for hunting caribou and muskox |
| 1_11 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | used mainly for hunting caribou and muskox |
| 1_12H | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | used mainly for hunting caribou |
| 1_13 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | summer | still an active route occasionally for hunting caribou and beluga |
| 1_14H | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | - | to Henry Larson's crews' grave |
| 1_16 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | winter | used mainly for fishing in the winter |
| 1_17H | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | summer | summer travel route for hunting caribou |
| 1_18 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | summer | summer travel route for hunting bearded seal |
| 1_19 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | winter | winter travel route for hunting bearded seal |
| 1_20 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | winter | used mainly for bear hunting |
| 1_21 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | winter | used mainly for fishing in the winter |
| 1_22 | Tayk_1_0314 | travel route | winter | used mainly for fishing in the winter |
| 2_13 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | - | used for hunting seal when young |
| 2_16 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | - | used for fishing for Lake Trout |
| 2_18 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | - | frequented with parents for hunting muskox, seal, caribou and fishing Char |
| 2_21 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | winter | winter travel route |
| 2_22 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel obstacle | - | impassable crack in the ice between April and June, has been there for years |
| 2_23 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | May | spring travel route |
| 2_25 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | October, November | Fall travel route to Lord Lindsay Lake |
| 2_26 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | October, November | fall travel route to set nets for Char |
| 2_27 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel route | year-round | year-round travel route for fishing |
| 2_29 | Tayk_2_0314 | travel obstacle | - | hunter has been swallowed whole by a large fish. story is a warning to stay away from this area. |
| 3_18 | Tayk_3_0314 | travel route | summer | - |
| 3_19 | Tayk_3_0314 | travel route | winter | - |
| 3_20 | Tayk_3_0314 | travel route | August and September | - |



| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|--|
| 3_21 | Tayk_3_0314 | travel route | summer and winter | over land route via snowmobile/ATV in the winter and summer to cabin at Netsilik Lake (3_5) |
| 3_22 | Tayk_3_0314 | travel route | summer | route via river to cabin at Netsilik Lake (3_5) |
| 4_1H | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | May, early June | spring travel route |
| 4_3H | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | May, early June | spring travel route; not done since 1998 |
| 4_7 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | summer | for sealing (Ring, Harp and Bearded seals) |
| 4_8 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | summer | not used much anymore due to unpredictable ice conditions; for sealing (Ring, Harp and Bearded seals) |
| 4_9 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | summer | route to access good berry picking area; this route is an alternate route when the eastern routes are unfavourable |
| 4_10 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | summer | good berry picking and Char fishing |
| 4_13 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | summer | sealing day trips |
| 4_14 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | - | for hunter/guide training |
| 4_17 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | May | fishing at Lady Melville lake via snowmobile; mid-May |
| 4_18 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | April | frequent travel route for fishing and muskox hunting towards Lord Lindsay Lake |
| 4_20 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | May | to fishing derby site where giant trout can be found |
| 4_22 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | May | fishing location; late May |
| 4_23 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | June through August | fishing; uses this route regularly/frequently |
| 4_28 | Tayk_4_0314 | travel route | - | - |
| 5_1 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | Polar Bear survey; sealing and hunting along the way; no permanent camp locations |
| 5_2 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | August | whale hunting in mid-August |
| 5_3 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile in May, Char fishing |
| 5_4 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile to Matee Island |
| 5_5 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile |
| 5_6 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile |
| 5_7 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | April, May | by snowmobile |
| 5_8 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | June, July | by boat |
| 5_9 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile |
| 5_10 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | May | by snowmobile |
| 5_11 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | April, May | by snowmobile |
| 5_12 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | April, May | by snowmobile |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------|---------------------------|---|
| 5_13 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | April, May | by snowmobile |
| 5_14 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | December, March to August | - |
| 5_15 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | April, May | by snowmobile; Thom Bay |
| 5_16 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | March, April, May | by snowmobile |
| 5_17 | Tayk_5_0314 | travel route | March, April, May | by snowmobile |
| 6_4 | Tayk_6_0314 | travel route | May, June | sealing route by dog sled team |
| 6_5 | Tayk_6_0314 | travel route | March, April | polar bear hunting; has only done the trip once in the last few years |
| 7_16 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | summer and fall | travel route for hunting seal in the warm season |
| 7_18 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | winter | Polar Bear hunting from November to May |
| 7_19 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | January through April | travel route for fishing by snowmobile; does the full circuit; come may he sticks close to the community or goes seal hunting |
| 7_20 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | spring and fall | travel route for Char fishing |
| 7_21 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | spring | spring Char fishing travel route |
| 7_22 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | May | travel route to Josephine Bay for Char harvest |
| 7_23 | Tayk_7_0314 | travel route | - | travel route to small lake for Char harvest |
| 9_7 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | year-round | travel route for sealing, used regularly and year-round |
| 9_8 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | - | travel route for sealing |
| 9_9 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | summer and winter | travel route for sealing |
| 9_10 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | winter | captured muskox |
| 9_11 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | spring | travel route to 9_5 |
| 9_12 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | summer | travel route to 9_5 by boat |
| 9_13 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | - | travel route by ATV to camp |
| 9_17 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | March | travel route to muskox hunting area; travel over the ice in March |
| 9_18 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | June, July, August | travel route for hunting beluga and narwhal; open water route |
| 9_19 | Tayk_9_0314 | travel route | winter | travel route to location for Char gillnetting |

Figure 6. Special places and areas important for other reasons



Table 4. Special places and areas important for other reasons

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|--|
| 1_1 | Tayk_1_0314 | special places | - | sod house; Thom Bay |
| 1_2 | Tayk_1_0314 | special places | - | rock house |
| 1_7 | Tayk_1_0314 | special places | - | general hunting area |
| 1_15 | Tayk_1_0314 | special places | - | grave site for Henry Larson's crew (1930s or 1940s). The site is still intact, having gone through some modifications by the RCMP in the 1970s |
| 1_86 | Tayk_1_0314 | other reason | July, August, September | waterfall |
| 1_87 | Tayk_1_0314 | other reason | July, August, September | waterfall, beautiful; Pasley Bay |
| 1_88 | Tayk_1_0314 | other reason | July, August, September | Abernethy Bay - beautiful |
| 1_89 | Tayk_1_0314 | other reason | July, August, September | Bellot Strait - beautiful |
| 2_1H | Tayk_2_0314 | special places | - | food cache built by the RCMP |
| 2_2H | Tayk_2_0314 | special places | - | rock house and church. church is made of wood |
| 2_7H | Tayk_2_0314 | special places | - | Point of interest- ship wreck: Interviewees explain that each time locals attempt to show outsiders the wreck they are unable to find it. |
| 2_30 | Tayk_2_0314 | other reason | - | area surrounding camp; area known best |
| 2_31 | Tayk_2_0314 | special places | - | area surrounding camp; area known best |
| 2_97 | Tayk_2_0314 | other reason | - | rugged hills, scenic |
| 2_98 | Tayk_2_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 2_99 | Tayk_2_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 2_100 | Tayk_2_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 3_1 | Tayk_3_0314 | special places | - | rock house, damaged, near/above the river by half a mile or so |
| 3_11 | Tayk_3_0314 | special places | - | Church at Thom Bay |
| 3_15 | Tayk_3_0314 | special places | - | soapstone |
| 3_16 | Tayk_3_0314 | special places | - | soapstone |
| 4_16 | Tayk_4_0314 | special places | - | rock shelter; fox trap or cache; at 4_4 |
| 4_112 | Tayk_4_0314 | special places | - | river remains open year-round |
| 4_113 | Tayk_4_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 4_114 | Tayk_4_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 4_115 | Tayk_4_0314 | other reason | - | abundance of berries; scenic |



| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|----------------|------------|--|
| 5_104 | Tayk_5_0314 | special places | year-round | floe edge which remains open much of the year, freezing over only temporarily |
| 5_106 | Tayk_5_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 5_107 | Tayk_5_0314 | other reason | - | waterfall |
| 6_1 | Tayk_6_0314 | special places | - | stone house at Netsilik River |
| 6_2 | Tayk_6_0314 | special places | - | unusual red rock which cannot be touched without inflicting pain or a curse of some kind. |
| 6_3 | Tayk_6_0314 | special places | - | soapstone .quarried by people from both Taloyoak and Gjoa Haven; accessed via Murchison River or along a creek which empties into Rasmussen Bay, it is near a round lake |
| 6_8H | Tayk_6_0314 | special places | - | area was popular for fishing historically |
| 6_14 | Tayk_6_0314 | special places | - | huge man eating fish in Lady Melville Lake, warning to stay away from the center |
| 7_1 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | marks hunting boundary (past and present) |
| 7_2 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | rock house at Thom Lake; many additional rock and sod houses |
| 7_3 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | rock house |
| 7_5 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | rock house |
| 7_6 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | fox trap made of stones/rock |
| 7_7 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | tent rings can be found all along the shoreline up to Cape Victoria and Fort Ross |
| 7_8 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | tent rings can be found all along the shoreline up to Cape Victoria and Fort Ross |
| 7_9 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | tent rings can be found all along the shoreline |
| 7_10 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | tent rings can be found all along the shoreline |
| 7_11 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | soapstone quarry |
| 7_12 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | source of red soapstone |
| 7_13 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | source of hard soapstone |
| 7_14 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | source of hard soapstone |
| 7_15 | Tayk_7_0314 | special places | - | soapstone quarry |
| 9_2 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | spring | spring fishing |
| 9_3 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | summer | summer fishing |
| 9_4 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | - | rock house |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|----------------|--------|---|
| 9_6 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | - | soapstone quarry has been there since his early teens >50 years ago |
| 9_14 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | - | muskox hunting area |
| 9_15 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | - | hunting area for beluga; Coningham Bay |
| 9_16 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | - | hunting area for narwhal; Coningham Bay |
| 9_99 | Tayk_9_0314 | special places | winter | location of floe edge beyond which is open water throughout the winter; bearded seal overwinter there |

Figure 7. Areas with significant diversity

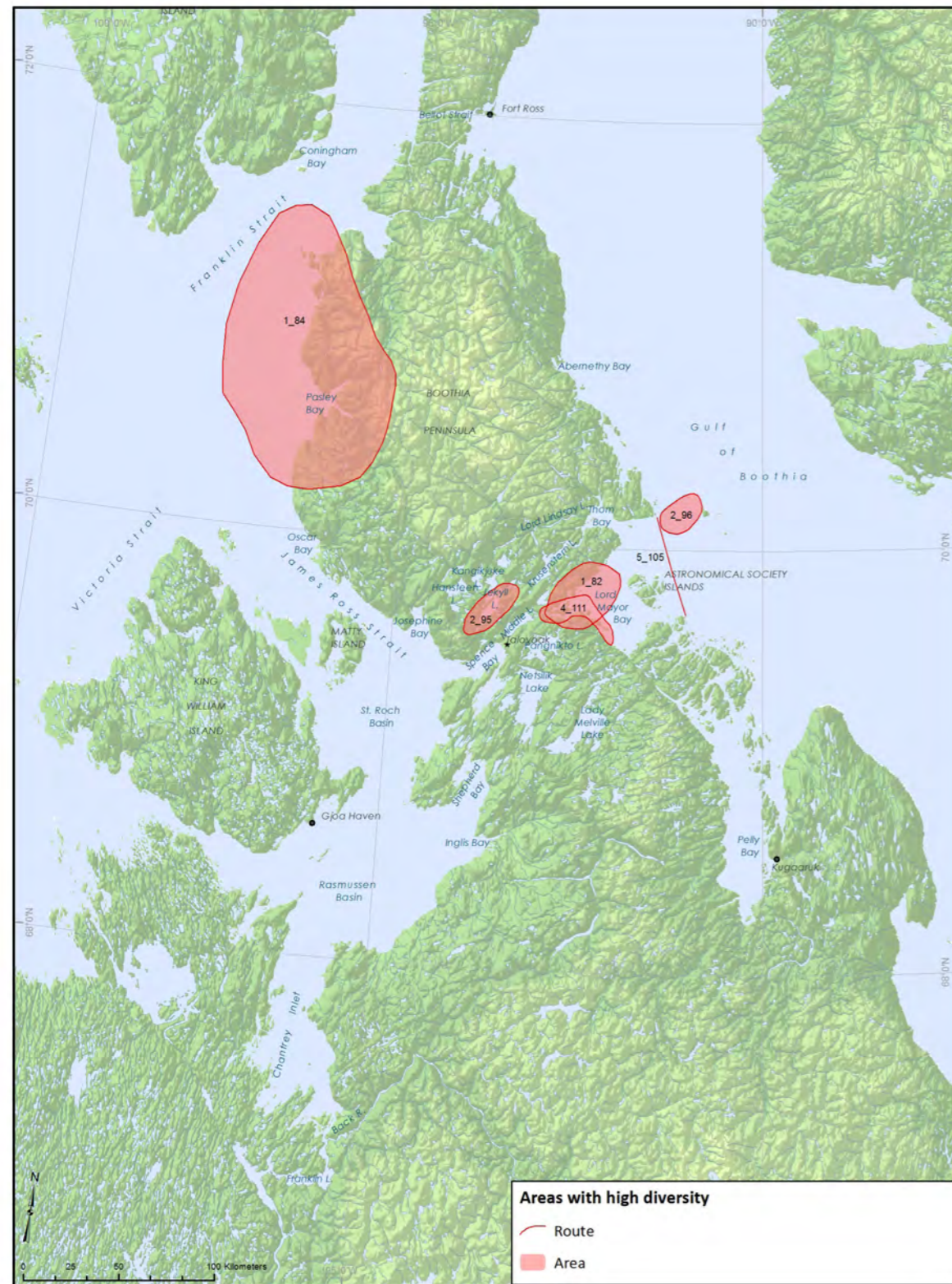


Table 5. Areas with significant diversity

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | CATEGORY | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------|---------------|--|
| 1_82 | Tayk_1_0314 | diversity | - | ducks, seals, fish, bears, caribou, whale |
| 1_84 | Tayk_1_0314 | diversity | - | ducks, seals, fish, bears, caribou, whale (not as good as at 1_82) |
| 2_95 | Tayk_2_0314 | diversity | April to June | Many species, also lemmings weasels, foxes, wolves, birds |
| 2_96 | Tayk_2_0314 | diversity | winter | King Eiders overwinter in this open area |
| 4_111 | Tayk_4_0314 | diversity | - | Lord Mayor Bay |
| 5_105 | Tayk_5_0314 | diversity | year-round | relatively high diversity along the floe edge |



Figure 8. Sea-run Arctic Char probability of occurrence

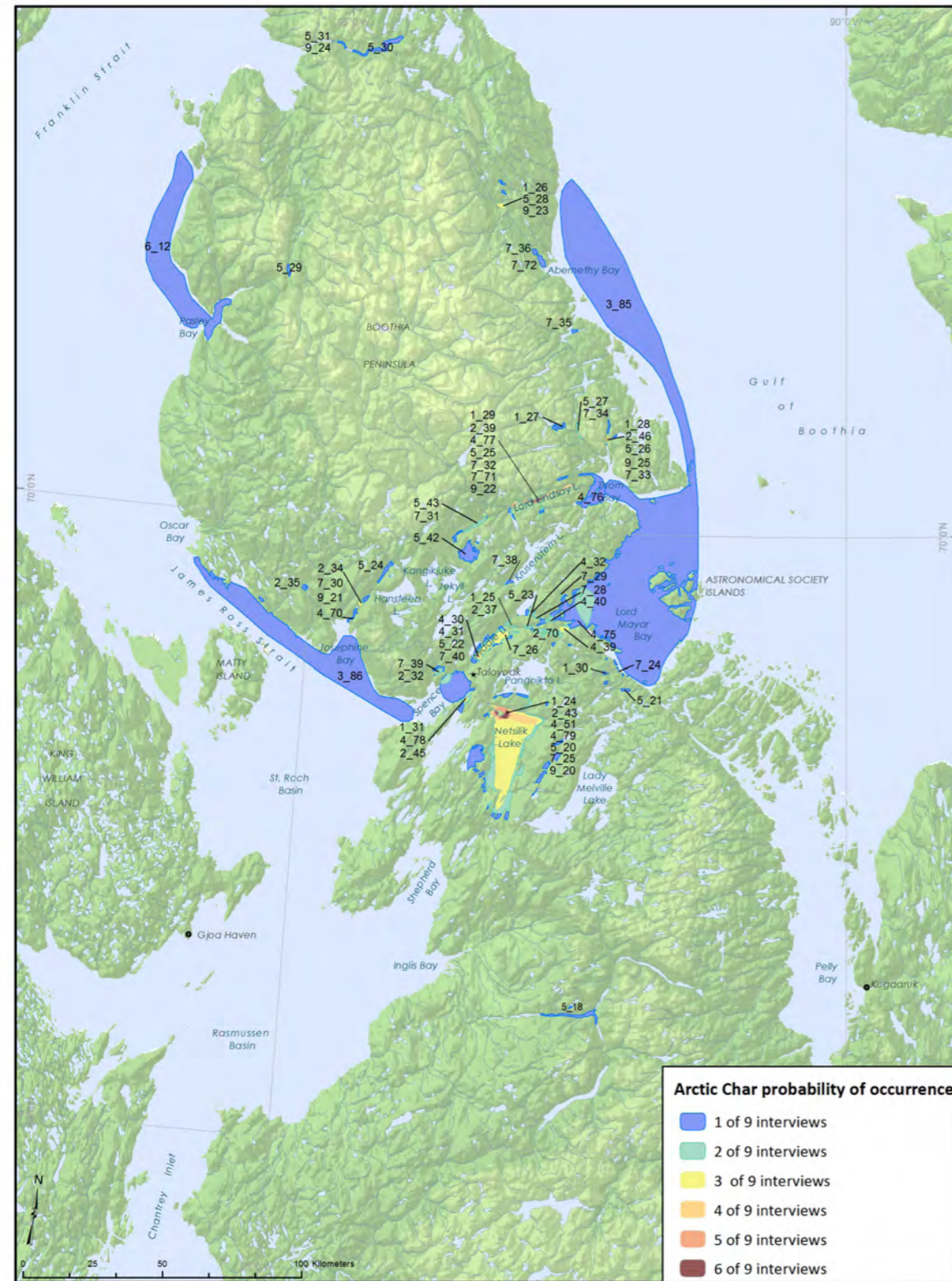


Table 6a. Sea-run Arctic Char areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 1_24N,A | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | abundant |
| 1_25N | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | - |
| 1_26 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | - |
| 1_27 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | - |
| 1_28 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | - |
| 1_29A | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | Char are abundant |
| 1_30 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | year-round | - |
| 1_31 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, August, September | - |
| 2_32 | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 2_34A | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | few people go to this location anymore |
| 2_35 | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 2_37 | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | two lakes |
| 2_39AS | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 2_43A | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 2_45 | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | fall | fall fishing; many gill nets set for Char; Char seem to travel around the bay |
| 2_46 | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | fall fishing |
| 2_70A | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 3_85A | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | more abundant on the east side fo the Boothia Peninsula than on the west |
| 3_86 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | more abundant on the east side fo the Boothia Peninsula than on the west |
| 4_30A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 4_31 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 4_32 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 4_36A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | gillnetting |
| 4_39A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | coastal |
| 4_40A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | coastal |
| 4_51 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 4_70A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | fish weirs set up to capture fish from this river at Josephine Bay as they move both upstream and downstream; mix of sea run char and "redfish" |
| 4_75A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|--------|--|
| 4_75A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 4_76A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 4_77A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 4_78A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 4_79A | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 5_18 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 5_20 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_21 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_22 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_23 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_24 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_25 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_26 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_27 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_28 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_29 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_30 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_31 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_42S | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_43S | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 6_12 | Tayk_6_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | Char are only in the river emptying into Pasley Bay and the coastal region of Pasley Bay |
| 7_24 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 7_25 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_26 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_28 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_29 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_30 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_31A | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake; south end of the lake when the river begins running |
| 7_32A | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_33 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_34 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_35 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| 7_36 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_38 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_39 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_40 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 7_71A | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | spring | in the spring when the ice comes off |
| 7_72A | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 9_20 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_21 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_22 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_23A | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_24 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_25 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |

Table 6b. Sea-run Arctic Char everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| 1_23e | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, August, September | - |



Figure 9. Sea-run Arctic Char migratory paths and spawning areas

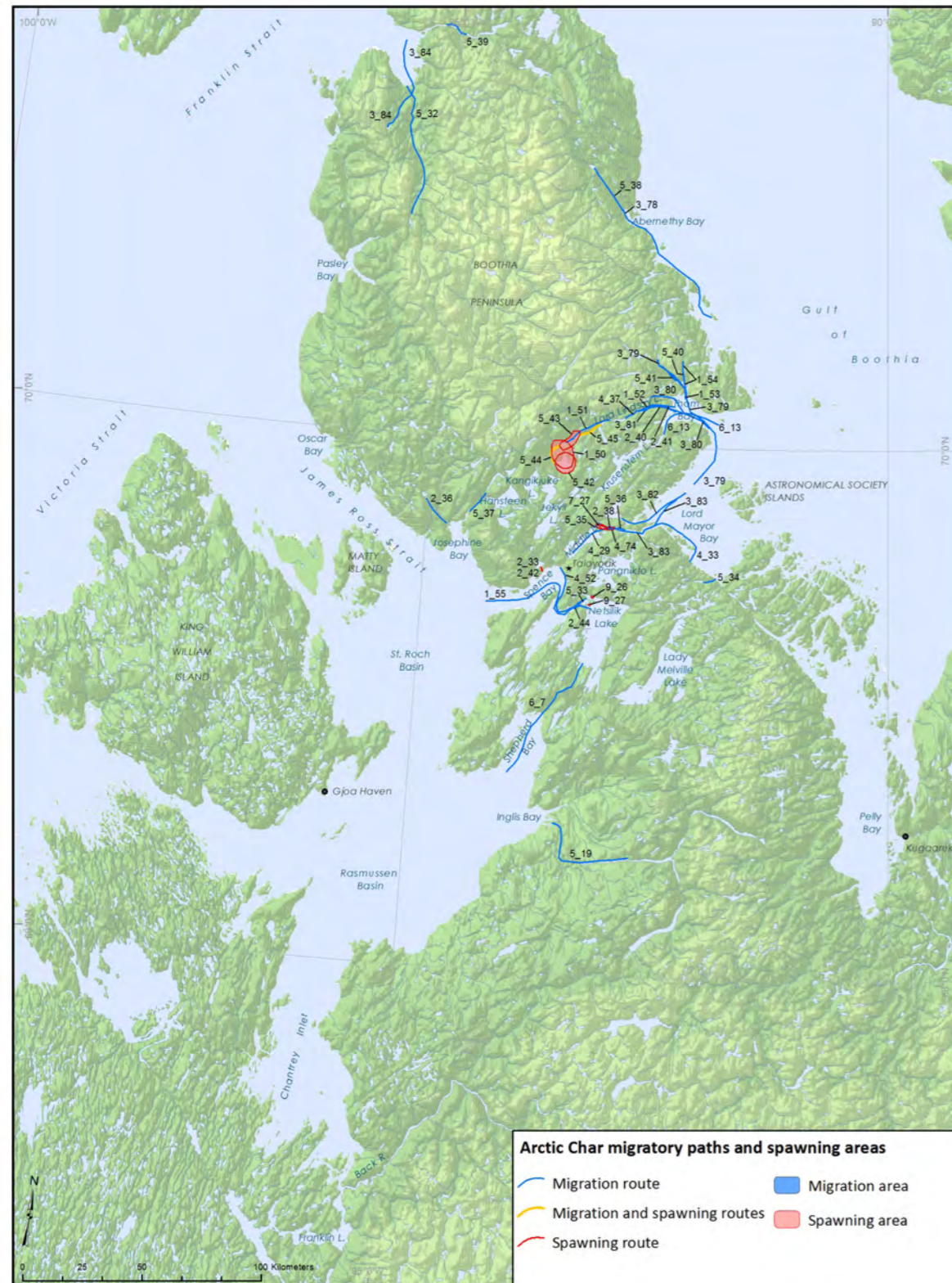


Table 7. Sea-run Arctic Char migratory paths and spawning areas

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1_50S | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 1_51M | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | August, September | upstream movement late August, September |
| 1_52M | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July | downstream to the sea in July |
| 1_53M | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July | downstream to the sea in July |
| 1_54M | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July | downstream to the sea in July |
| 1_55M | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July | downstream to the sea in July |
| 2_33M | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | to sea |
| 2_36M | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | to sea |
| 2_38S | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | river; spawning is dependent upon the conditions |
| 2_40M | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | to sea |
| 2_41S | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | August | river; late August |
| 2_42S | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | river has been drying up the last couple of years |
| 2_44M | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | to sea |
| 3_78M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | August, September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_79M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_80M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_81M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_82M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_83M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 3_84M | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June, August/September | ocean bound in June, lake bound in August/September |
| 4_29M | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 4_33M | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 4_37M | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July | move upstream in July |
| 4_52M | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | August, September | to sea (late August to early September) |
| 4_74S | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | enough Char present to use commercially |
| 5_19M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June/July, September | June, July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_32M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June/July | seaward in late June, July |
| 5_33M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | June/July | seaward in late June, July |
| 5_34M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_35M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_36M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_37M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| 5_38M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_39M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_40M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_41M | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | July, September | July (seaward); September (lakeward) |
| 5_42S | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_43S | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | lake |
| 5_44MS | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | September | spawn in September |
| 5_45MS | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | September | spawn in September |
| 6_13M | Tayk_6_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 6_7M | Tayk_6_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - |
| 7_27S | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | "redfish" observed in September |
| 9_26S | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |
| 9_27S | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | regular char fishing spot |



Figure 10. Land-locked Char probability of occurrence

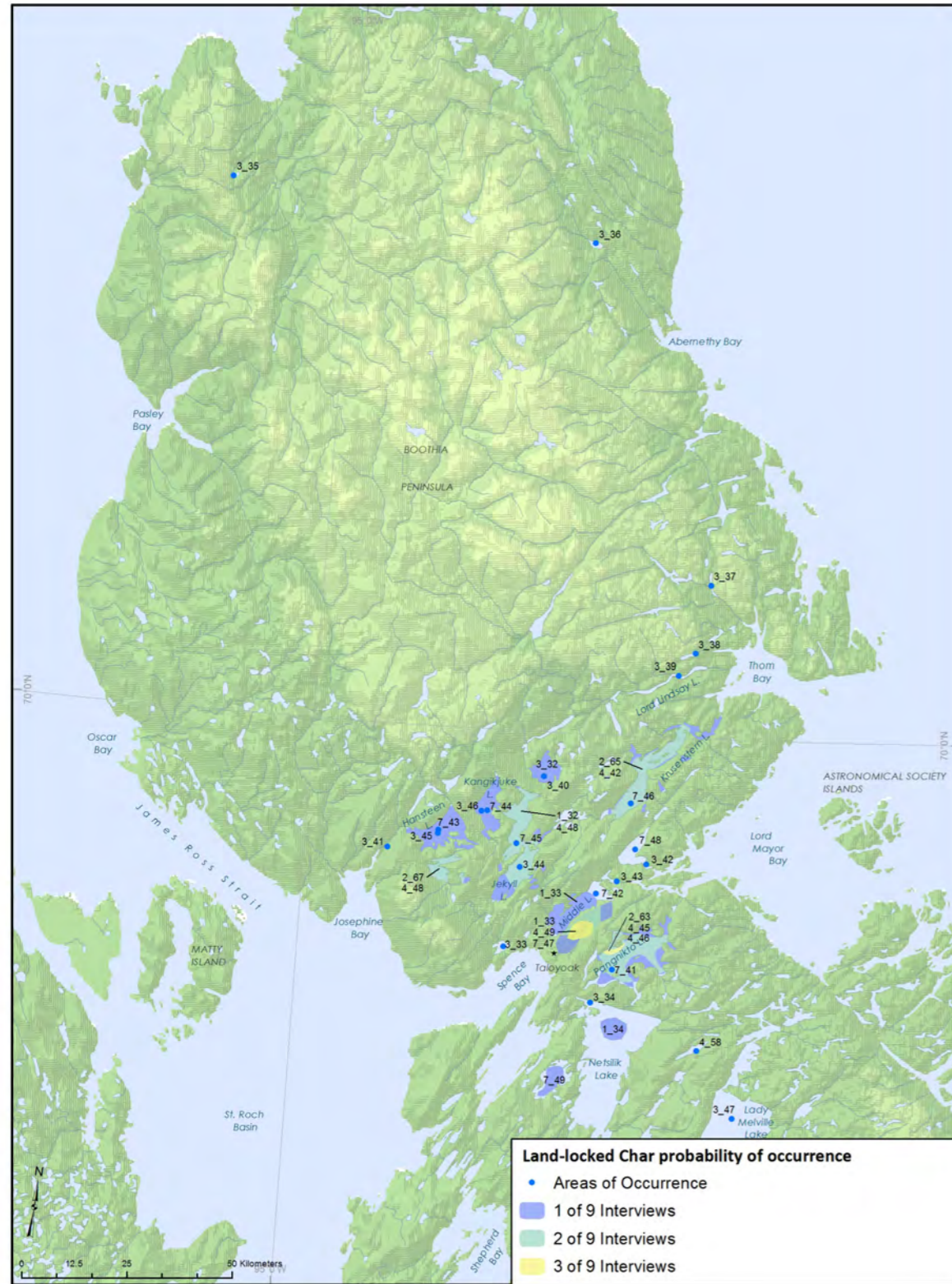


Table 8a. Land-locked Char probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------|---|
| 1_32 | Tayk_1_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | year-round | - |
| 1_33 | Tayk_1_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | year-round | - |
| 1_34A | Tayk_1_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | year-round | north end of Netsilik Lake |
| 2_63A | Tayk_2_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 2_65A | Tayk_2_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 2_67A | Tayk_2_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 4_42 | Tayk_4_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lake |
| 4_45 | Tayk_4_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | - |
| 4_46 | Tayk_4_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 4_48 | Tayk_4_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 4_49 | Tayk_4_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | collection of lakes |
| 7_47 | Tayk_7_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lake |
| 7_49 | Tayk_7_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | Char larger here than in most other lakes |

Table 8b. Land-locked Char everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 2_47e | Tayk_2_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | lakes |
| 5_47e | Tayk_5_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | - |
| 9_28e | Tayk_9_0314 | Red Lake Trout (Land-Locked Char) | - | - |

Figure 11. Lake Trout probability of occurrence

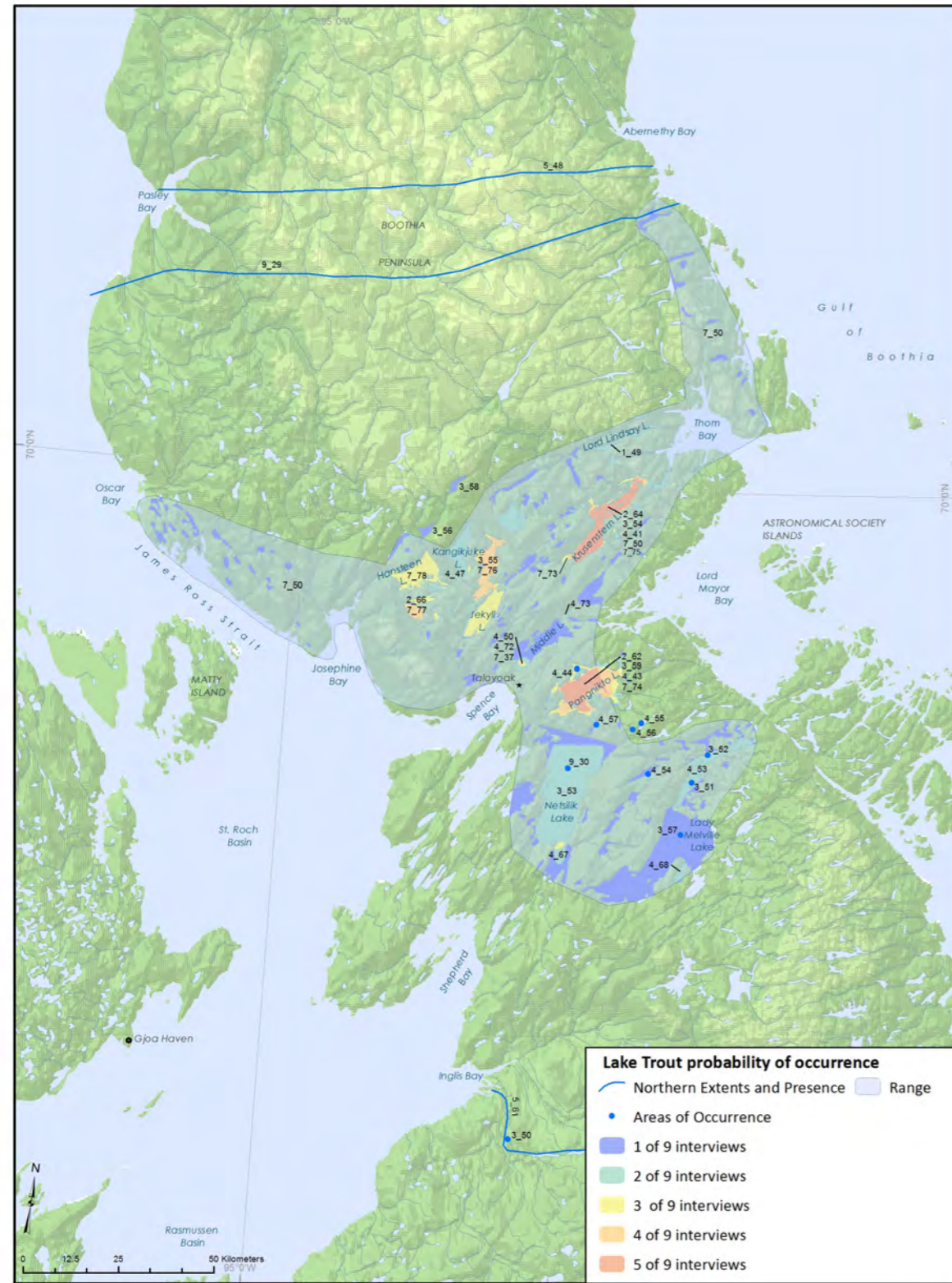


Table 9a. Lake Trout and Bull Trout probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|-----------|--|
| 1_35u | Tayk_1_0314 | Bull Trout | September | seen in the fall while gillnetting at Netsilik Lake (not shown on map) |
| 1_49A | Tayk_1_0314 | Lake Trout | - | Lake Trout and Char are abundant |
| 2_62A | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lakes |
| 2_64A | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lakes |
| 2_66A | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lakes |
| 3_48 | Tayk_3_0314 | Bull Trout | - | Franklin Lake (not shown on map) |
| 3_49 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | Franklin Lake and River (not shown on map) |
| 3_50 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | deep spot in the river |
| 3_51 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_52 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_53 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | Netsilik Lake |
| 3_54 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_55 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_56 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_57 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_58 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 3_59 | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 4_41 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_43 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | - |
| 4_44 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | regular fishing location |
| 4_47 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lakes |
| 4_50 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | collection of lakes |
| 4_53 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_54 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_55 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_56 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_57 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 4_67A | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant |
| 4_68A | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant |
| 4_72S | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | October | mid-October |
| 4_73S | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Trout | October | mid-October |



Table 9b. Lake Trout and Bull Trout everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|--------|---|
| 5_48 | Tayk_5_0314 | Lake Trout | - | northern limit of distribution |
| 5_61 | Tayk_5_0314 | Lake Trout | - | river |
| 7_37 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lake |
| 7_50 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | northern extent of Lake Trout |
| 7_73 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially, dried trout |
| 7_74 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially |
| 7_75 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially |
| 7_76 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially |
| 7_77 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially |
| 7_78 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Trout | - | abundant enough to potentially fish commercially |
| 9_29 | Tayk_9_0314 | Lake Trout | - | northern extent of lake trout distribution, only Char are found north of this line |
| 9_30 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bull Trout | - | bull trout (Netsilik Lake and surrounding lakes) are more abundant SE of the Taloyoak area though they also occur to the NE |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| 2_48e | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Trout | - | lakes |
| 2_49e | Tayk_2_0314 | Bull Trout | - | lakes |
| 5_49e | Tayk_5_0314 | Lake Trout | - | occur everywhere south of LT_5_48 |
| 9_31e | Tayk_9_0314 | Lake Trout | - | south of 9_29, in large lakes |

Figure 12. Whitefish probability of occurrence

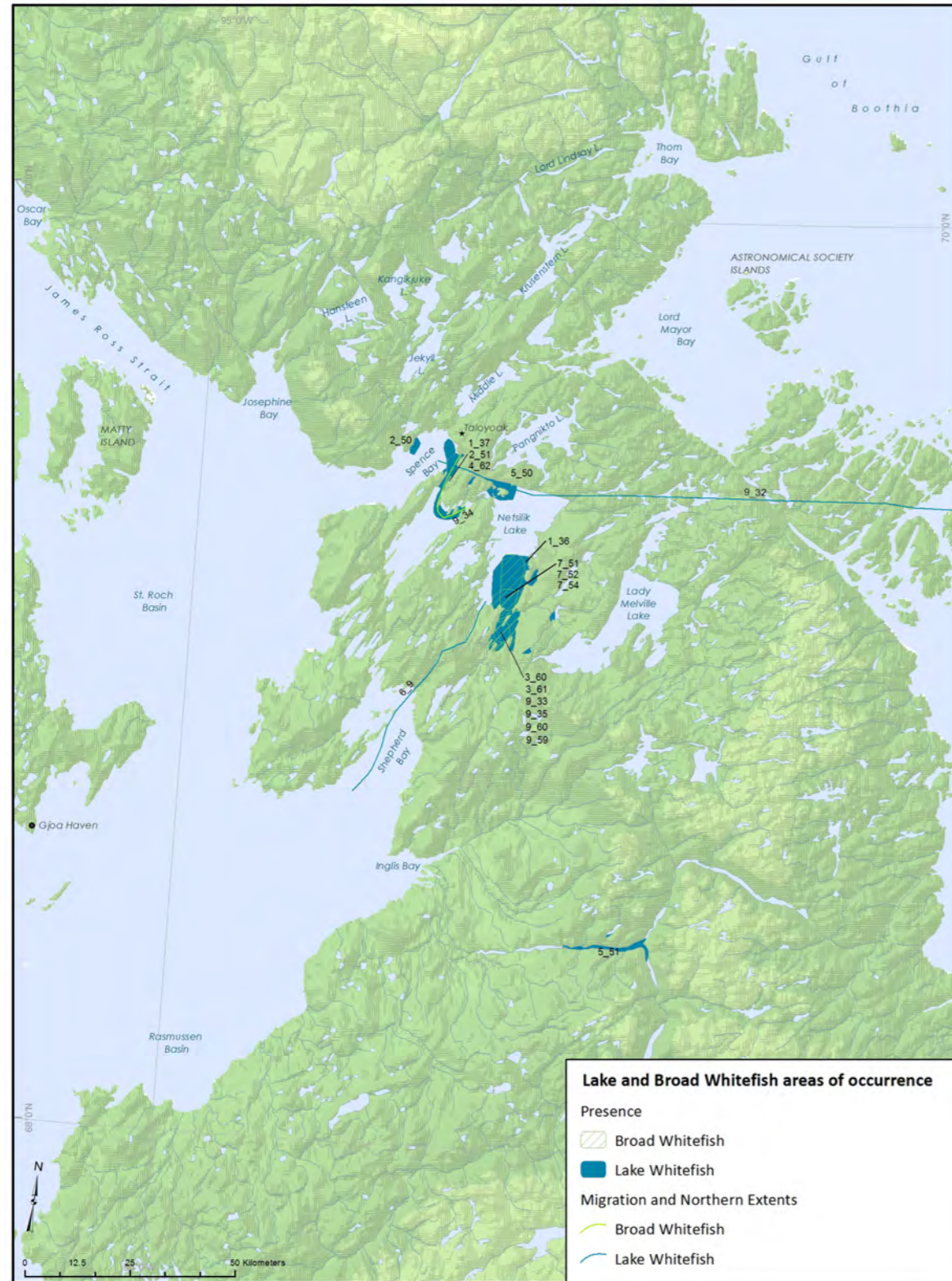


Table 10. Whitefish probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| 1_36A | Tayk_1_0314 | Lake Whitefish | September, October | abundant in Netsilik Lake |
| 1_37 | Tayk_1_0314 | Lake Whitefish | September | - |
| 1_38 | Tayk_1_0314 | Lake Whitefish | April | - |
| 2_50 | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Whitefish | August | nearshore by Redfish Lake; late August |
| 2_51 | Tayk_2_0314 | Lake Whitefish | August | captured in the gill nets; late August |
| 3_60A | Tayk_3_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | fishing location |
| 3_61 | Tayk_3_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | - |
| 4_62 | Tayk_4_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | lake; captured in gill nets |
| 5_50 | Tayk_5_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | lake |
| 5_51 | Tayk_5_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | lake |
| 6_9 | Tayk_6_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | Whitefish in Netsilik are very large, larger than elsewhere |
| 7_51 | Tayk_7_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | Netsilik Lake |
| 7_52 | Tayk_7_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | - |
| 7_54 | Tayk_7_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | - |
| 9_32 | Tayk_9_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | northern extent of lake whitefish distribution; otherwise occur in the same lakes as the lake trout |
| 9_33S | Tayk_9_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | - |
| 9_34 | Tayk_9_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | - |
| 9_35S | Tayk_9_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | - |
| 9_59 | Tayk_9_0314 | Lake Whitefish | - | potential for commercial fishing |
| 9_60 | Tayk_9_0314 | Broad Whitefish | - | potential for commercial fishing |



Figure 13. Flatfish and Cod areas of occurrence

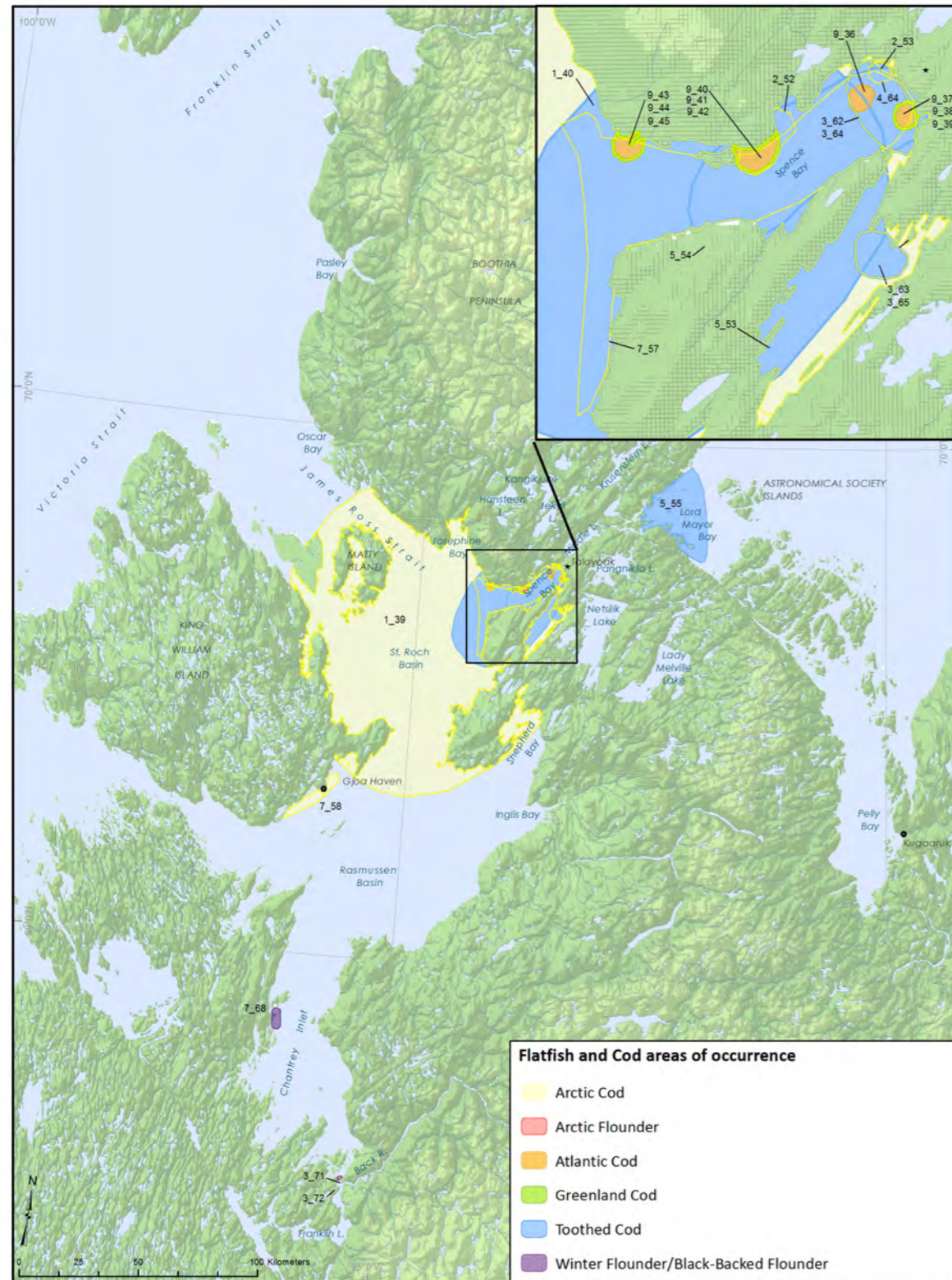


Table 11. Flatfish and Cod areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------------------------------------|------------|--|
| 1_39 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Cod | year-round | not present on the Kugaaruk side of the peninsula |
| 1_40 | Tayk_1_0314 | Toothed Cod | year-round | - |
| 2_52A | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Cod | May | seen mainly where there are cracks in the ice in the spring; late May |
| 2_53A | Tayk_2_0314 | Arctic Cod | May | spring; late May |
| 3_62 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | fished summer and fall; location in which most people fish for cod |
| 3_63 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | fished summer and fall |
| 3_64 | Tayk_3_0314 | Toothed Cod | - | fished summer and fall |
| 3_65 | Tayk_3_0314 | Toothed Cod | - | fished summer and fall |
| 3_71 | Tayk_3_0314 | Winter Flounder/Black-Backed Flounder | - | - |
| 3_72 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Flounder | - | - |
| 4_64 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | - |
| 5_53 | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | described as being dark in colour |
| 5_54 | Tayk_5_0314 | Toothed Cod | - | described as being green in colour |
| 5_55 | Tayk_5_0314 | Toothed Cod | - | - |
| 5_62u | Tayk_5_0314 | Flounder sp. | - | species of flounder |
| 7_57 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | described as a smaller fish approximately 1 ft in length |
| 7_58 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | described as a smaller fish approximately 1 ft in length; near Schwatka Bay, King William Island |
| 7_68 | Tayk_7_0314 | Winter Flounder/Black-Backed Flounder | - | - |
| 9_36 | Tayk_9_0314 | Atlantic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_37 | Tayk_9_0314 | Atlantic Cod | - | - |
| 9_38 | Tayk_9_0314 | Greenland Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_39 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_40 | Tayk_9_0314 | Atlantic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_41 | Tayk_9_0314 | Greenland Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_42 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_43 | Tayk_9_0314 | Atlantic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_44 | Tayk_9_0314 | Greenland Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |
| 9_45 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Cod | - | captured by hook in the winter and summer |

Figure 14. Lumpfish and Snailfish areas of occurrence

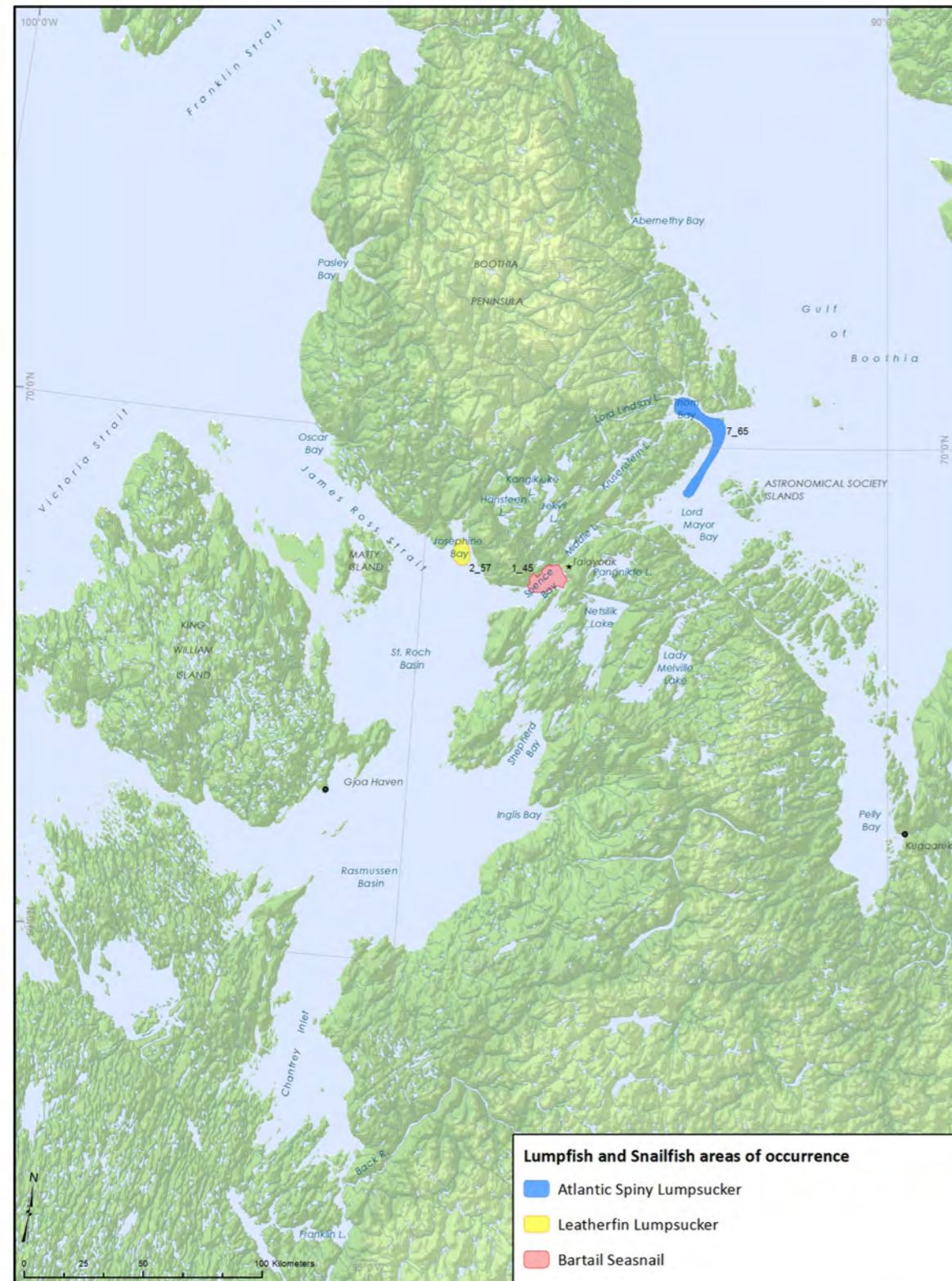


Table 12. Lumpfish and Snailfish areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------------------------|------------|--|
| 1_45 | Tayk_1_0314 | Bartail Seasnail | year-round | in the sea |
| 2_57 | Tayk_2_0314 | Leatherfin Lumpsucker | - | found dead in seal hole |
| 7_65 | Tayk_7_0314 | Atlantic Spiny Lumpsucker | - | observed dead in a seal breathing hole |



Figure 15. Sculpin areas of occurrence

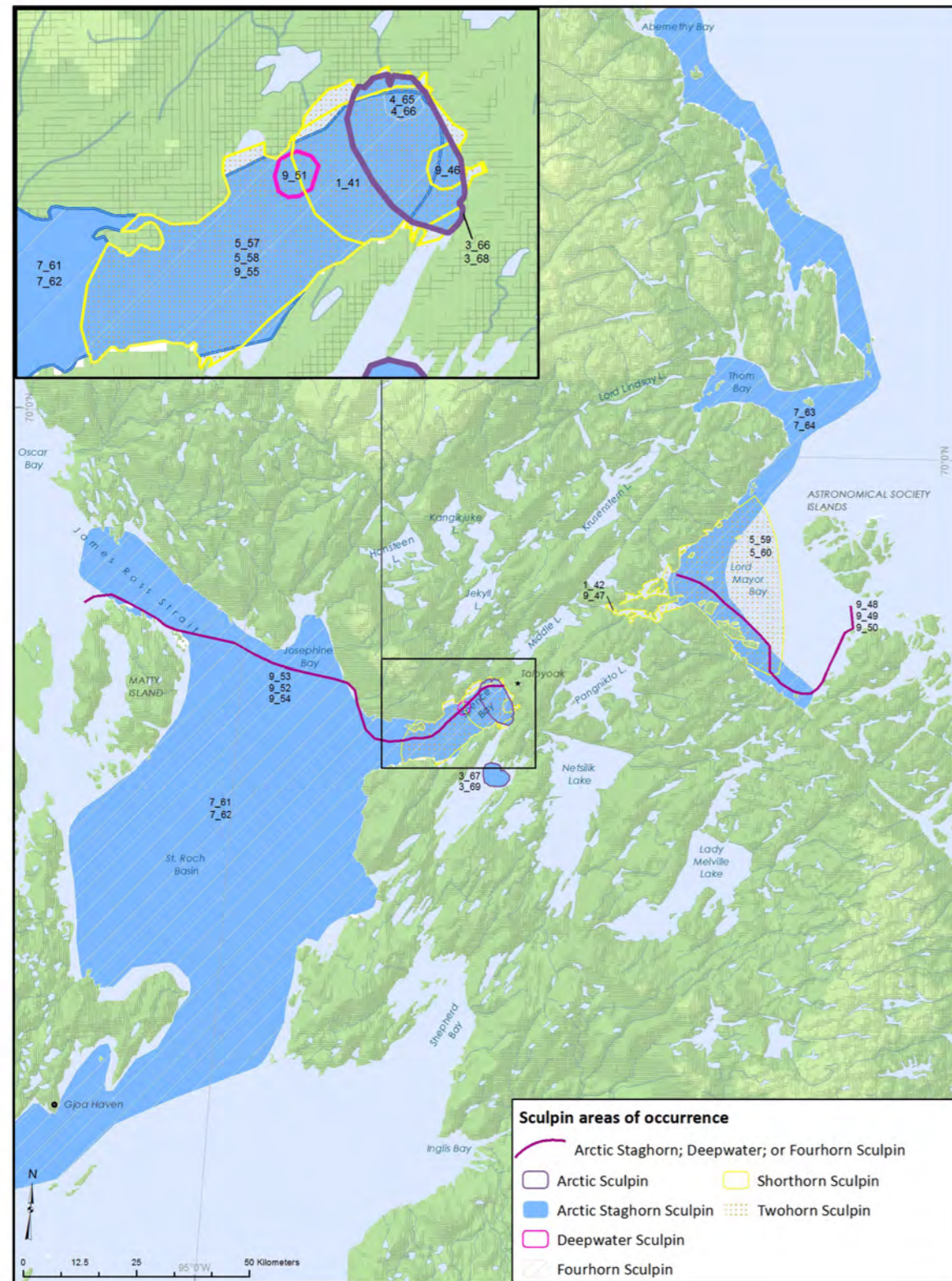


Table 13a. Sculpin areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|------------|--|
| 1_41 | Tayk_1_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | year-round | sculpin found in freshwater lakes |
| 1_42 | Tayk_1_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | year-round | - |
| 1_43u | Tayk_1_0314 | Sculpin | year-round | in freshwater lake (Netsilik Lake); smaller than shorthorn sculpin |
| 1_44u | Tayk_1_0314 | Sculpin | year-round | in freshwater; Pangnikto Lake; smaller than shorthorn sculpin |
| 3_66 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | easily seen in summer |
| 3_67 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | easily seen in summer |
| 3_68 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Sculpin | - | easily seen in summer |
| 3_69 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Sculpin | - | easily seen in summer |
| 4_65 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | found in the intertidal zone |
| 4_66 | Tayk_4_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | found in the intertidal zone |
| 5_57 | Tayk_5_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 5_58 | Tayk_5_0314 | Twohorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 5_59 | Tayk_5_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 5_60 | Tayk_5_0314 | Twohorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 7_61 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 7_62 | Tayk_7_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 7_63 | Tayk_7_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 7_64 | Tayk_7_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 9_46 | Tayk_9_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 9_47 | Tayk_9_0314 | Shorthorn Sculpin | - | - |
| 9_48 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | these sculpin seem to co-exist in Lord Mayor Bay |
| 9_49 | Tayk_9_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | these sculpin seem to co-exist in Lord Mayor Bay |
| 9_50 | Tayk_9_0314 | Deepwater Sculpin | - | these sculpin seem to co-exist in Lord Mayor Bay |
| 9_51 | Tayk_9_0314 | Deepwater Sculpin | - | - |
| 9_52 | Tayk_9_0314 | Arctic Staghorn Sculpin | - | more numerous than fourhorn sculpin; common in the west coastal region |
| 9_53 | Tayk_9_0314 | Deepwater Sculpin | - | more numerous than fourhorn sculpin; common in the west coastal region |
| 9_54 | Tayk_9_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | not as common as the deepwater and arctic staghorn sculpin, although it occupies similar habitat |
| 9_55 | Tayk_9_0314 | Twohorn Sculpin | - | relatively rare; occurs mainly/only in Spence Bay |

Table 13b. Sculpin everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| 2_55e | Tayk_2_0314 | Fourhorn Sculpin | - | often found nearshore |

Figure 16. Eelpout, Stickleback, Smelt and Capelin areas of occurrence

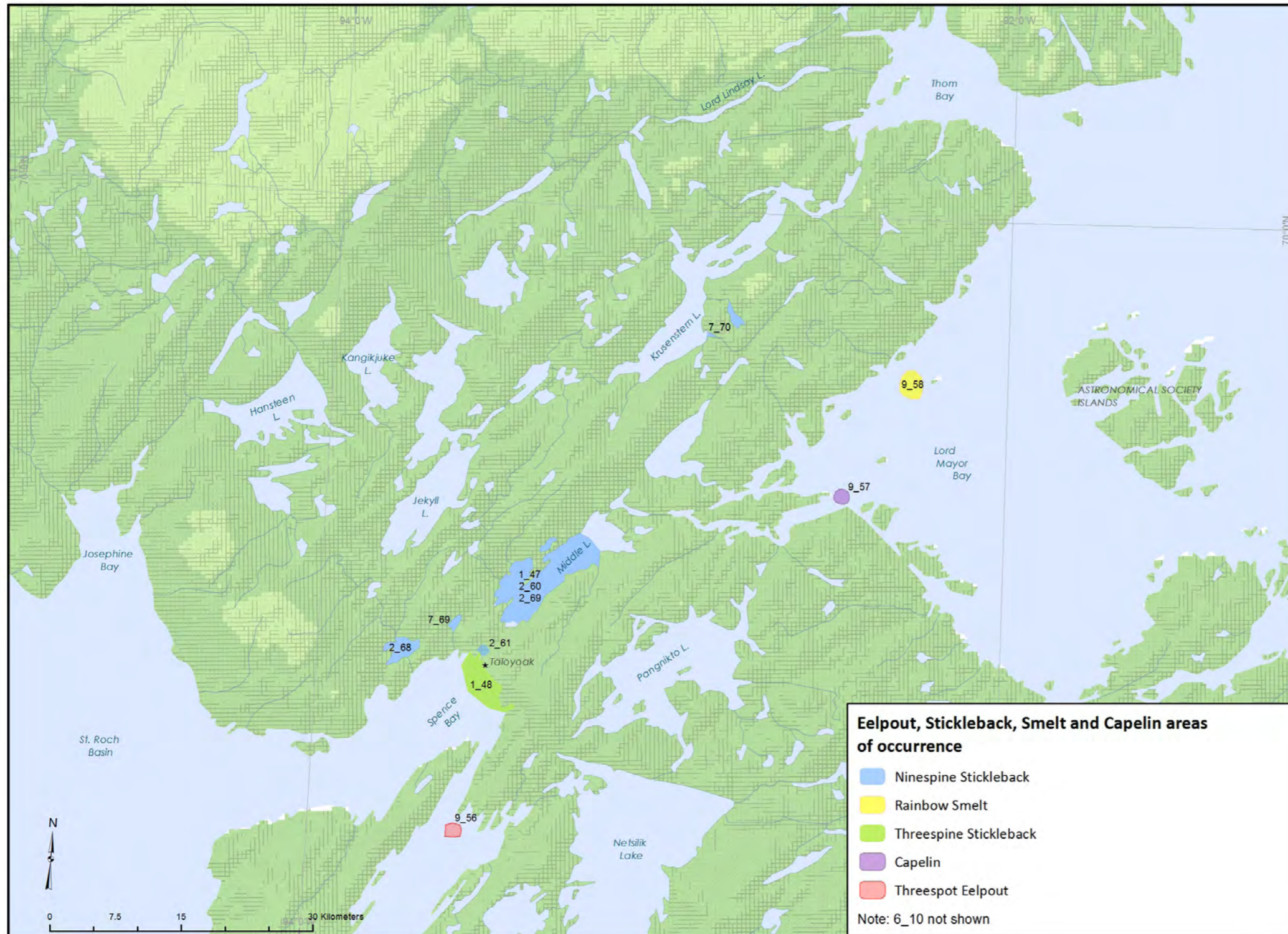




Table 14. Eelpout, Stickleback, Smelt and Capelin areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------------|--------------|---|
| 1_47 | Tayk_1_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | July, August | fresh water |
| 1_48 | Tayk_1_0314 | Threespine Stickleback | July, August | salt water |
| 2_60 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | rivers |
| 2_61 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | rivers |
| 2_68N | Tayk_2_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | - |
| 2_69N | Tayk_2_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | - |
| 6_10 | Tayk_6_0314 | Arctic Skate | - | - |
| 7_69 | Tayk_7_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | swampy areas |
| 7_70 | Tayk_7_0314 | Ninespine Stickleback | - | south side of Krusenstern |
| 9_56 | Tayk_9_0314 | Threespot Eelpout | - | rare; captured twice by hook and line; approximately 2 feet long |
| 9_57 | Tayk_9_0314 | Capelin | - | observed in schools in Lord Mayor Bay |
| 9_58 | Tayk_9_0314 | Rainbow Smelt | - | Lord Mayor Bay; approximately 10 cm long, often in schools; in seal stomachs in the winter; in seal breathing holes; in open water along cracks in the winter |

Figure 17. Arthropod (Amphipod, Mysid and Northern Shrimp, and Northern Krill) areas of occurrence

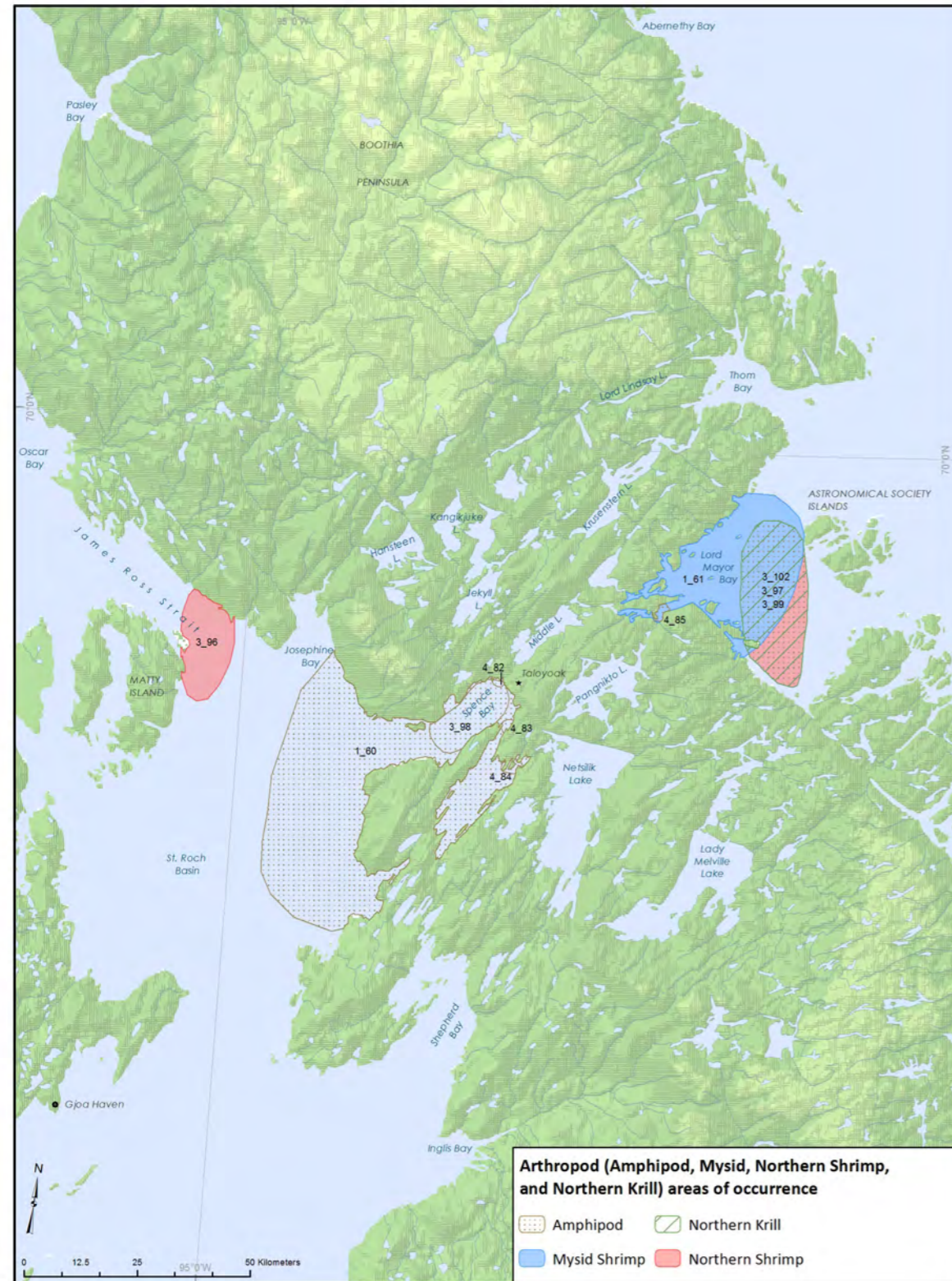


Table 15a. Arthropod (Amphipod, Mysid and Northern Shrimp, and Northern Krill) areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
| 1_60 | Tayk_1_0314 | Amphipod | July, August, September | - |
| 1_61 | Tayk_1_0314 | Mysid Shrimp | August, September | associated with lots of bowhead whales |
| 3_96 | Tayk_3_0314 | Northern Shrimp | - | - |
| 3_97 | Tayk_3_0314 | Northern Shrimp | - | - |
| 3_98 | Tayk_3_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 3_99 | Tayk_3_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 3_102 | Tayk_3_0314 | Northern Krill | - | - |
| 4_82 | Tayk_4_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 4_83 | Tayk_4_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 4_84 | Tayk_4_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 4_85 | Tayk_4_0314 | Amphipod | - | very small |

Table 15b. Arthropod (Amphipod, Mysid and Northern Shrimp, and Northern Krill) everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|----------|--------|----------|
| 2_72e,A | Tayk_2_0314 | Amphipod | - | ocean |
| 5_72e | Tayk_5_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |
| 7_60e | Tayk_7_0314 | Amphipod | - | - |



Figure 18. Bivalve (Truncate Softshell Clam, Blue Mussel and cockle) and sea snail (Arctic Moonsnail, Whelk, Naked Sea butterfly) areas of occurrence

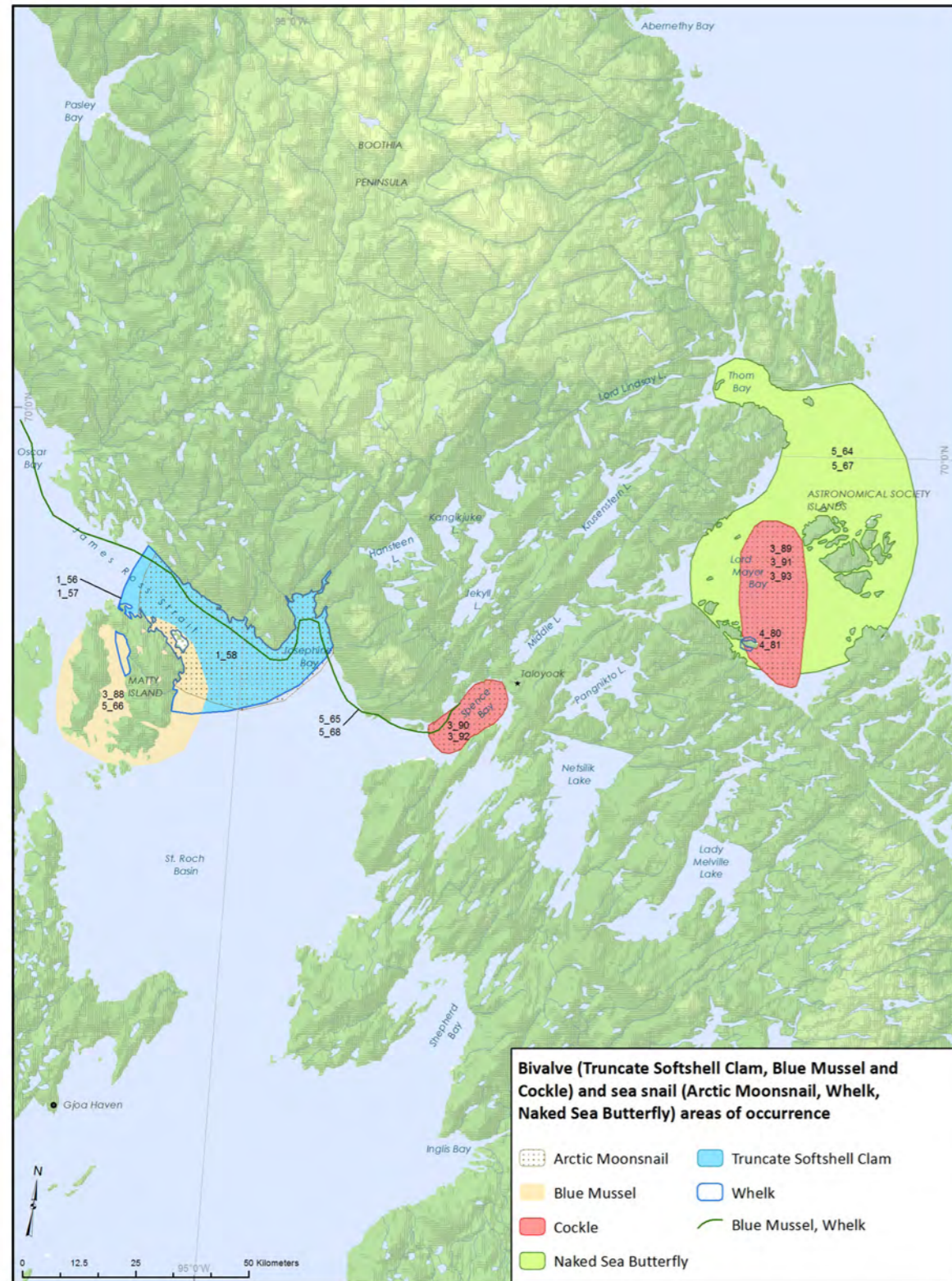


Table 16. Bivalve (Truncate Softshell Clam, Blue Mussel and cockle) and sea snail (Arctic Moonsnail, Whelk, Naked Sea butterfly) areas of occurrence.

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|--------|---|
| 1_56A | Tayk_1_0314 | Truncate Softshell Clam | - | abundant near/on shore between Oscar Bay and Josephine Bay |
| 1_57 | Tayk_1_0314 | Whelk | August | - |
| 1_58 | Tayk_1_0314 | Arctic Moonsnail | August | - |
| 2_71A.u | Tayk_2_0314 | Truncate Softshell Clam | - | clams of 1 inch in diameter found mainly on plants as the tide goes out |
| 3_88 | Tayk_3_0314 | Blue Mussel | - | mussel may be new to the area |
| 3_89 | Tayk_3_0314 | Cockle | - | - |
| 3_90 | Tayk_3_0314 | Cockle | - | - |
| 3_91 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Moonsnail | - | - |
| 3_92 | Tayk_3_0314 | Arctic Moonsnail | - | - |
| 3_93 | Tayk_3_0314 | Naked Sea Butterfly | - | - |
| 4_80 | Tayk_4_0314 | Whelk | - | - |
| 4_81 | Tayk_4_0314 | Arctic Moonsnail | - | - |
| 5_64 | Tayk_5_0314 | Truncate Softshell Clam | - | usually found in seal stomachs |
| 5_65 | Tayk_5_0314 | Blue Mussel | - | fresh dead on shorelines |
| 5_66 | Tayk_5_0314 | Blue Mussel | - | fresh dead on shorelines |
| 5_67 | Tayk_5_0314 | Naked Sea Butterfly | - | - |
| 5_68 | Tayk_5_0314 | Whelk | - | - |

Figure 19. Sea star, Sea Urchin, Ctenophore, Flexed Gyro and Jellyfish areas of occurrence



Table 17a. Sea Star, Sea Urchin, Ctenophore, Flexed Gyro and Jellyfish areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|
| 1_59 | Tayk_1_0314 | Flexed Gyro | August | - |
| 1_62 | Tayk_1_0314 | Jellyfish | July, August, September | - |
| 3_94 | Tayk_3_0314 | Flexed Gyro | - | - |
| 3_95 | Tayk_3_0314 | Flexed Gyro | - | - |
| 3_103 | Tayk_3_0314 | Jellyfish | - | - |
| 3_104 | Tayk_3_0314 | Jellyfish | - | - |
| 4_86 | Tayk_4_0314 | Jellyfish | - | very small |
| 4_87 | Tayk_4_0314 | Jellyfish | - | very small |
| 4_88 | Tayk_4_0314 | Jellyfish | - | very small |
| 4_89 | Tayk_4_0314 | Ctenophore | - | very small |
| 5_69A | Tayk_5_0314 | Pale Sea Urchin | - | caught in a lobster trap (in vicinity of Felix Harbour) |
| 5_70A | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Sea Star | - | (in vicinity of Felix Harbour) |
| 5_71 | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Sea Star | - | - |
| 5_74A | Tayk_5_0314 | Ctenophore | - | seen only on the east side of the peninsula |

Table 17b. Sea Star, Sea Urchin, Ctenophore, Flexed Gyro and Jellyfish everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------|--------|--|
| 2_73e | Tayk_2_0314 | Jellyfish | - | ocean; abundant in the early 1980s, they have since decreased significantly in abundance |
| 5_73e | Tayk_5_0314 | Jellyfish | - | - |



Figure 20. Polar Bear probability of occurrence

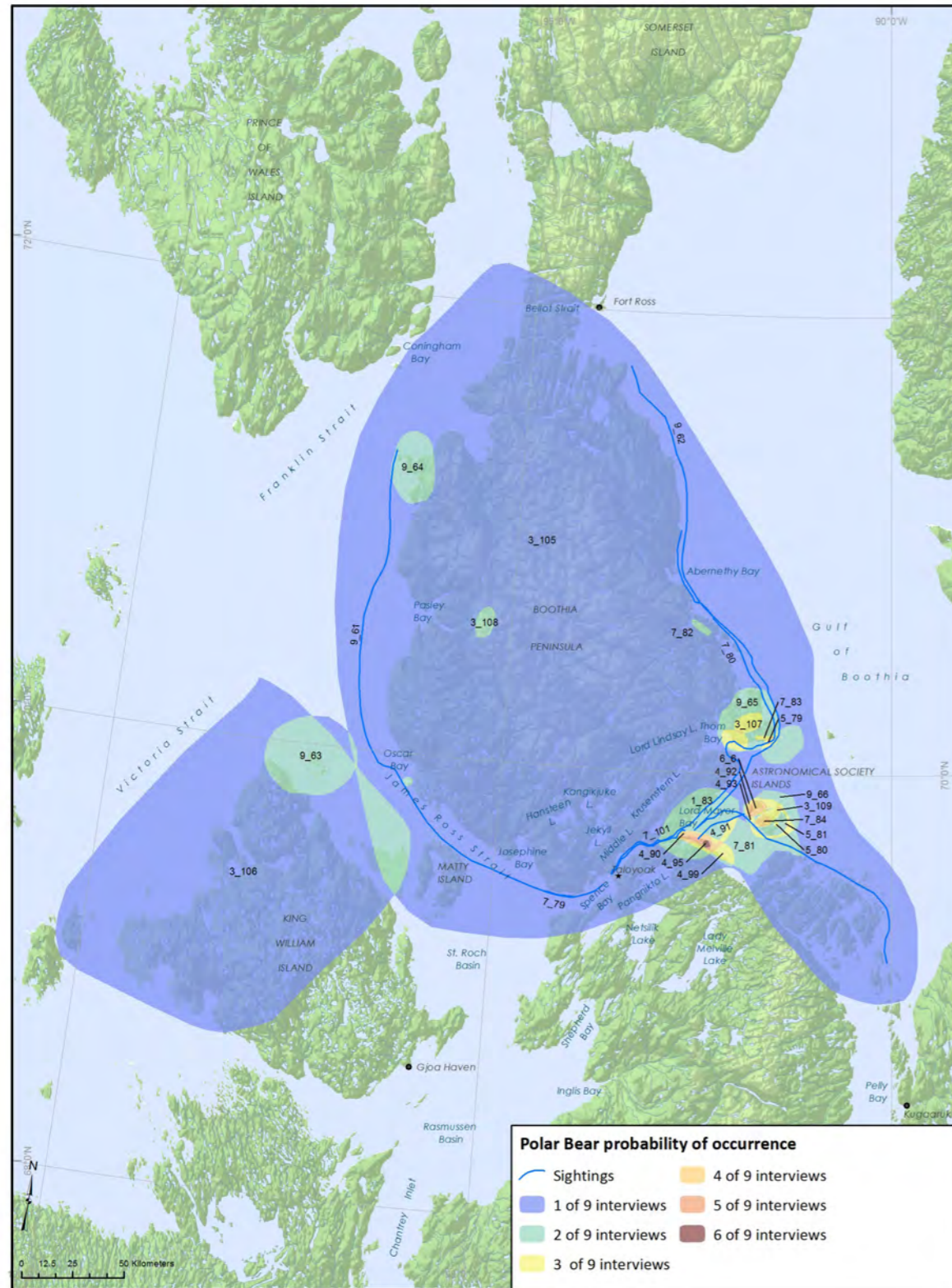


Table 18a. Polar Bear probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|--------|--|
| 1_83 | Tayk_1_0314 | Polar Bear | - | abundance fluctuates year to year |
| 3_105 | Tayk_3_0314 | Polar Bear | - | understood to be in this region year-round |
| 3_106 | Tayk_3_0314 | Polar Bear | - | - |
| 3_107u | Tayk_3_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning sites |
| 3_108S | Tayk_3_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning sites |
| 3_109S | Tayk_3_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning sites |
| 4_90A | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | - |
| 4_91 | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | three or four polar bears seen each day often swimming from the island (Astronomical Society Islands) to the mainland |
| 4_92 | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | sighting |
| 4_93 | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | sighting |
| 4_95 | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | PB hair only; unusual sighting |
| 4_99A | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | - | three or four seen per day; swimming from island to the mainland |
| 5_79S | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Bear | - | known denning area |
| 5_80S | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Bear | winter | known denning area |
| 5_81S | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Bear | winter | known denning area |
| 6_6 | Tayk_6_0314 | Polar Bear | - | captured a PB |
| 7_101 | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | bear sightings increasing inland around the community rather than along the coast and on the ice where they used to be in the summer |
| 7_79 | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | came into town in 2013 |
| 7_80 | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | bear sightings increasing (since his childhood) in Thom Bay and Lord Mayor Bay; there appears to be more cubs relative to adult bears than in the past |
| 7_81 | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | - |
| 7_82S | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | inland from Ilaunnalik Bay, south of Cape Palmerston |
| 7_83S | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | Cape Margaret |
| 7_84S | Tayk_7_0314 | Polar Bear | - | Astronomical Society Islands |
| 9_61 | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | polar bears found all along the west coast north of Taloyoak; captured bears |
| 9_62 | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | polar bears found all along the east coast north of Taloyoak |
| 9_63 | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | - |
| 9_64S,A | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning area |
| 9_65S,A | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning area |
| 9_66S,A | Tayk_9_0314 | Polar Bear | - | denning area |

Table 18b. Polar Bear everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------|------------|----------|
| 1_63e | Tayk_1_0314 | Polar Bear | year-round | - |
| 5_78e | Tayk_5_0314 | Polar Bear | - | - |

Figure 21. Ringed Seal probability of occurrence

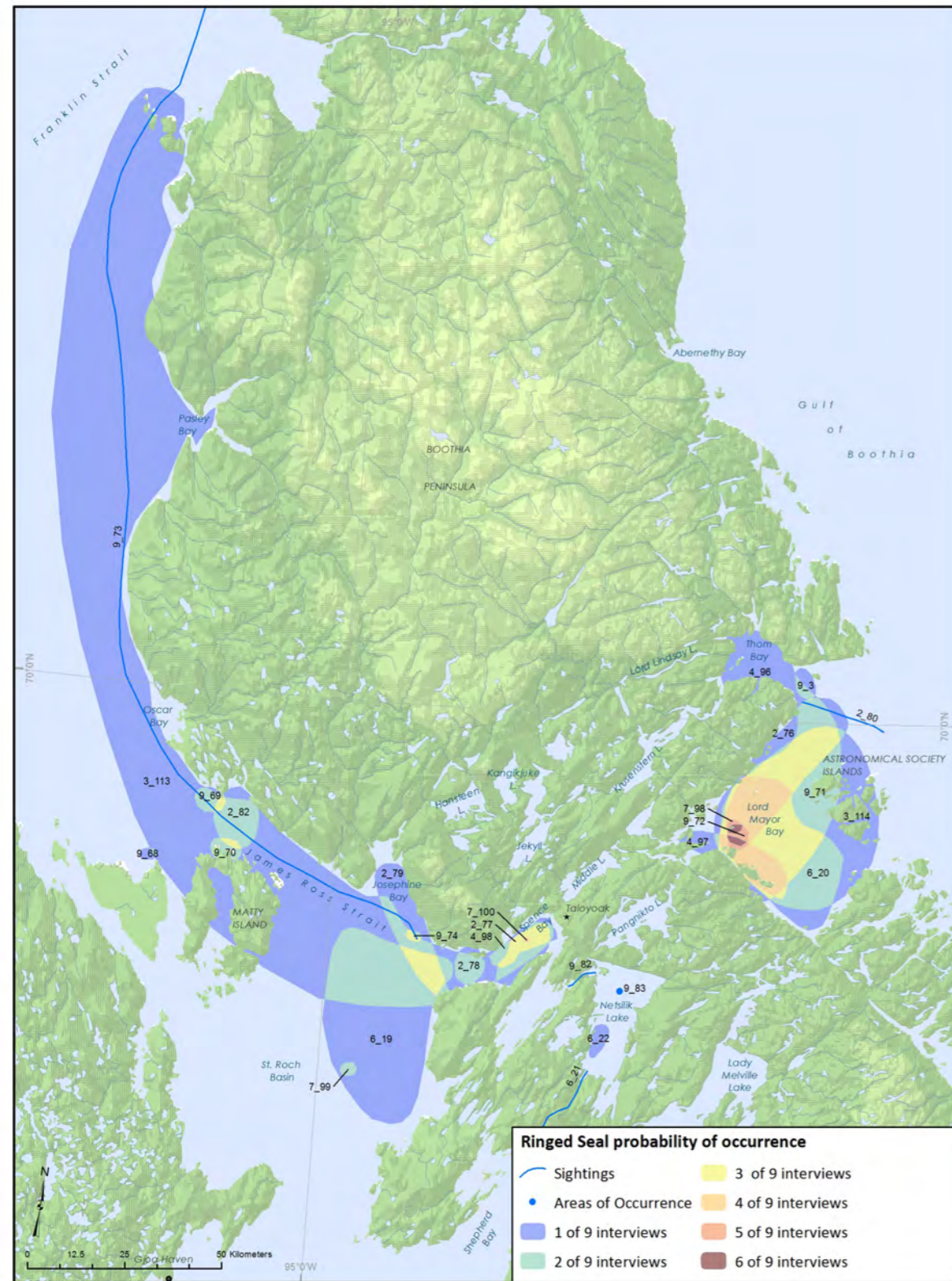


Table 19a. Ringed Seal probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------|--------|--|
| 2_76A | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 2_77 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 2_78 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 2_79 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | along cracks in ice |
| 2_80 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | along crack in ice |
| 2_82 | Tayk_2_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 3_113A | Tayk_3_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 3_114A | Tayk_3_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 4_96A | Tayk_4_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |
| 4_97A | Tayk_4_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | near summer camp |
| 4_98 | Tayk_4_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | not nearly as abundant in Spence Bay as at Felix Harbour and Lord Mayor Bay (4_96, 97) |
| 6_19 | Tayk_6_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | decreased in abundance over time |
| 6_20 | Tayk_6_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | increased in abundance over time |
| 6_21 | Tayk_6_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | frequent this river |
| 6_22 | Tayk_6_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | occasionally move into Netsilik Lake |
| 7_100 | Tayk_7_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | emaciated ringed seal captured by harpoon |
| 7_98 | Tayk_7_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal stomach infected, pussy with more liquid than is normal |
| 7_99 | Tayk_7_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ring seal phallus was infected - swollen and white |
| 9_68 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal hunting area |
| 9_69 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal hunting area |
| 9_70 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal hunting area |
| 9_71 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal hunting area |
| 9_72 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal hunting area |
| 9_73 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | seen along the coast |
| 9_74 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | seal hunting area |
| 9_82M | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | occasionally ringed seal move up river toward Netsilik Lake |
| 9_83 | Tayk_9_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | ringed seal are sometimes observed in Netsilik Lake |

Table 19b. Ringed Seal everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|
| 1_64e | Tayk_1_0314 | Ringed Seal | year-round | - |
| 5_82e | Tayk_5_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | abundant everywhere |
| 7_85e | Tayk_7_0314 | Ringed Seal | - | - |



Figure 22. Bearded Seal probability of occurrence



Table 20. Bearded Seal probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------|--------|--|
| 1_67 | Tayk_1_0314 | Bearded Seal | August | - |
| 1_68 | Tayk_1_0314 | Bearded Seal | August | - |
| 2_83A | Tayk_2_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | spring |
| 2_84 | Tayk_2_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | - |
| 3_115A | Tayk_3_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | - |
| 3_116A | Tayk_3_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | - |
| 5_86 | Tayk_5_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | - |
| 5_87 | Tayk_5_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | - |
| 7_88 | Tayk_7_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | abundant in the summer in Lord Mayor Bay and Thom Bay |
| 7_89 | Tayk_7_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | abundant in the Storis Passage and Simpson Strait |
| 9_77M | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal move south along the coast towards Spence Bay |
| 9_78 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal can be found here year-round, but mainly in the winter and spring; they move into Spence Bay in the summer |
| 9_79 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal gather here in the summer |
| 9_80 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal gather here in the summer |
| 9_81 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal gather here in the summer |
| 9_84 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_85 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_86 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_87 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_88 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_89 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | in or near open water |
| 9_90 | Tayk_9_0314 | Bearded Seal | - | bearded seal overwinter east of the floe edge marked by this line in water which remains open year-round; few seal breathing holes in Lord Mayor Bay |

Figure 23. Harp Seal probability of occurrence



Table 21. Harp Seal probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------|--------|---|
| 1_65 | Tayk_1_0314 | Harp Seal | August | rare |
| 1_66 | Tayk_1_0314 | Harp Seal | August | rare |
| 2_81 | Tayk_2_0314 | Harp Seal | - | - |
| 3_117 | Tayk_3_0314 | Harp Seal | - | seen in only in this area (Franklin Strait) |
| 5_83A | Tayk_5_0314 | Harp Seal | - | - |
| 5_84 | Tayk_5_0314 | Harp Seal | - | observed but not abundant |
| 5_85 | Tayk_5_0314 | Harp Seal | - | observed but not abundant |
| 7_87 | Tayk_7_0314 | Harp Seal | - | low numbers in the Thom Bay area |
| 9_75A | Tayk_9_0314 | Harp Seal | - | - |
| 9_76A | Tayk_9_0314 | Harp Seal | - | - |



Figure 24. Beluga probability of occurrence



Table 22. Beluga probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------|-------------------|--|
| 1_69 | Tayk_1_0314 | Beluga | August, September | late August, September |
| 1_81A | Tayk_1_0314 | Beluga | - | shed or molt in one of the bays in the Franklin Strait by the thousands |
| 1_93 | Tayk_1_0314 | Beluga | - | whales have been seen corralling cod into the shore |
| 2_85N,A | Tayk_2_0314 | Beluga | - | Abundance fluctuates from year to year. However, every 3 or 4 years the numbers really spike. Late 1980s was memorable for an exceptionally high harvest. In 2010 hunters captured approximately 100 Belugas |
| 2_86A | Tayk_2_0314 | Beluga | - | - |
| 2_87 | Tayk_2_0314 | Beluga | - | probably molting; Pasley Bay |
| 3_119A | Tayk_3_0314 | Beluga | - | visited annually |
| 4_100 | Tayk_4_0314 | Beluga | - | - |
| 5_90A | Tayk_5_0314 | Beluga | - | frequent beluga hunting area |
| 6_24 | Tayk_6_0314 | Beluga | - | - |
| 9_97 | Tayk_9_0314 | Beluga | - | hunting area in Coningham Bay |

Figure 25. Beluga migratory routes



Table 23. Beluga migratory routes

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------|--------|---|
| 5_89M | Tayk_5_0314 | Beluga | - | - |
| 5_99M | Tayk_5_0314 | Beluga | - | this is a relatively new migration route which may have coincided with the installation of sonar devices in Pasley and Oscar Bay; moving southward; do not remain long in the south, generally returning north in September |
| 5_100M | Tayk_5_0314 | Beluga | - | moving southward; do not remain long in the south, generally returning north in September |
| 7_102M,A | Tayk_7_0314 | Beluga | - | Beluga are very abundant in vicinity of Coningham Bay and occasionally venture south towards Spence Bay |
| 7_90M | Tayk_7_0314 | Beluga | - | observed all along coastlines on the east and west side of the peninsula; observed passing eastward through the Bellot Strait; as far south as Kugaaruk but more abundant in the north |



Figure 26. Narwhal probability of occurrence

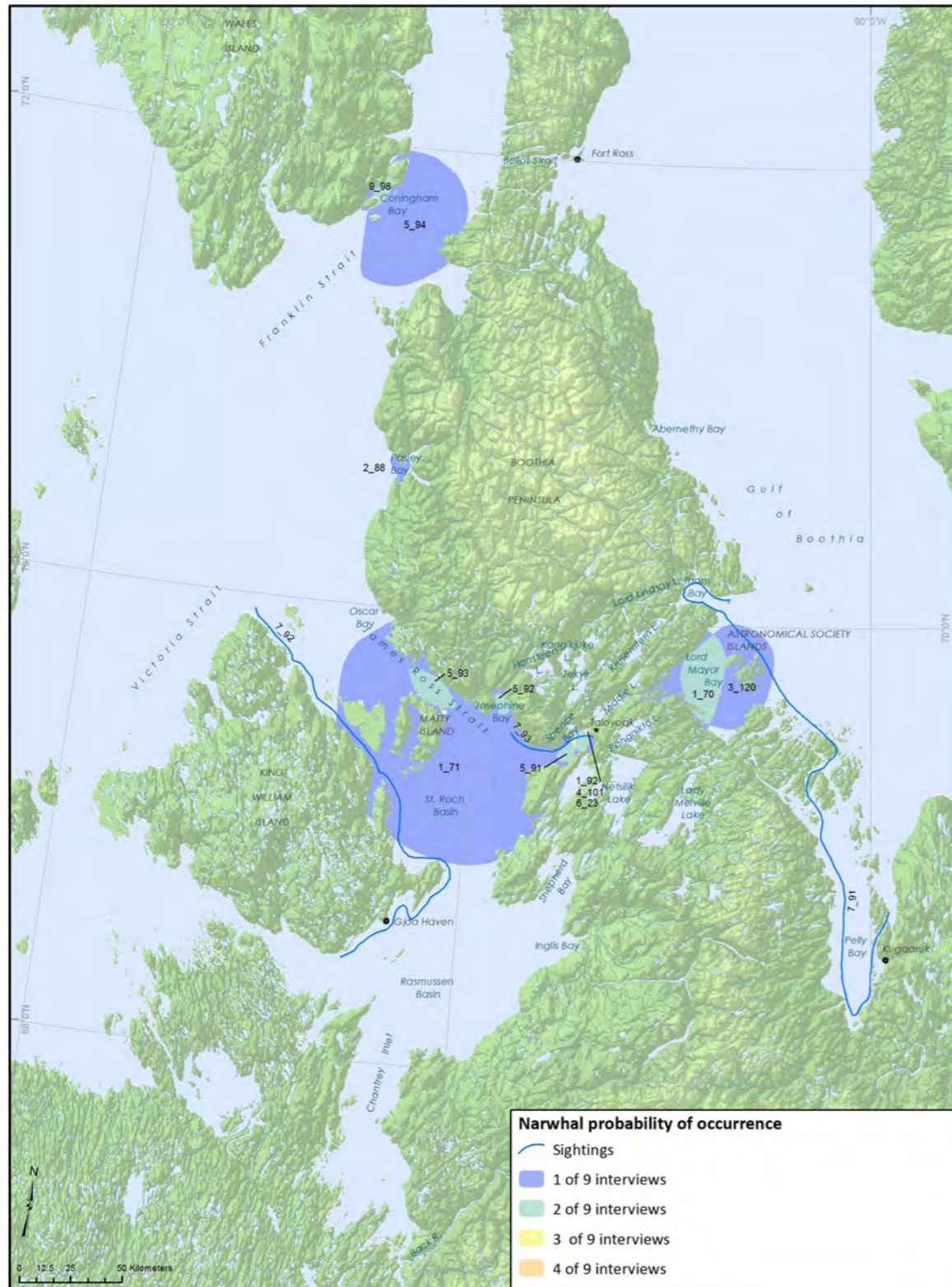


Table 24. Narwhal probability of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------|-------------------|--|
| 1_70 | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | August, September | late August, September |
| 1_71 | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | August, September | late August, September |
| 1_92 | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | whales have been seen corralling cod into the shore |
| 2_88 | Tayk_2_0314 | Narwhal | - | probably moulting; Pasley Bay |
| 3_120A | Tayk_3_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 4_101 | Tayk_4_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 5_91 | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 5_92 | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 5_93 | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 5_94A | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 6_23 | Tayk_6_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 7_91A | Tayk_7_0314 | Narwhal | - | abundant in Thom Bay; observed as far south as Kugaaruk; more abundant on the east side of the peninsula vs. the west side |
| 7_92 | Tayk_7_0314 | Narwhal | - | observed along the eastern coastline of King William Island |
| 7_93 | Tayk_7_0314 | Narwhal | - | observed in Spence Bay |
| 9_98 | Tayk_9_0314 | Narwhal | - | hunting area in Coningham Bay |

Figure 27. Narwhal migratory routes



Table 25. Narwhal migratory routes

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------|--------|--|
| 1_75M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | August | southward; late August |
| 1_76M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | northward |
| 1_77M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 1_78M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | - |
| 1_79M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | southward |
| 1_80M | Tayk_1_0314 | Narwhal | - | northward |
| 5_95M | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | August | southbound from Coningham Bay region in August |
| 5_97M | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | this is a relatively new migration route which may have coincided with the installation of sonar devices in Pasley and Oscar Bay; few are spotted moving southward; do not remain long in the south, generally returning north in September; |
| 5_98M | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | few are spotted moving southward; do not remain long in the south, generally returning north in September |
| 5_101M | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | remain in Thom Bay for a couple of weeks |
| 5_102M | Tayk_5_0314 | Narwhal | - | Narwhal migrate from Wales Island to Kugaaruk and continue northward to Lord Mayor Bay |



Figure 28. Bowhead and Right Whale areas of occurrence



Table 26. Bowhead and Right Whale areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------------|--------|---|
| 1_73N | Tayk_1_0314 | Bowhead Whale | August | harvested by the community of Taloyoak in 2012; observed a calf in August |
| 1_74 | Tayk_1_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | harvested by the community of Gjoa Haven in 2013 |
| 3_121 | Tayk_3_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | Franklin Strait |
| 3_122 | Tayk_3_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | Lord Mayor Bay |
| 4_103N | Tayk_4_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | Bowhead seem to be getting more abundant in the last few years; more than average observed two and four years ago |
| 5_88 | Tayk_5_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | Bowhead whales observed being pushed into Lord Mayor Bay by Killer Whales 2013 |
| 9_93H,u | Tayk_9_0314 | Right Whale | - | sighting |
| 9_94u | Tayk_9_0314 | Right Whale | - | a single whale captured by hunters from Taloyoak |
| 9_95u | Tayk_9_0314 | Right Whale | - | a single whale captured by hunters from Gjoa Haven |

Figure 29. Killer and Minke Whale areas of occurrence

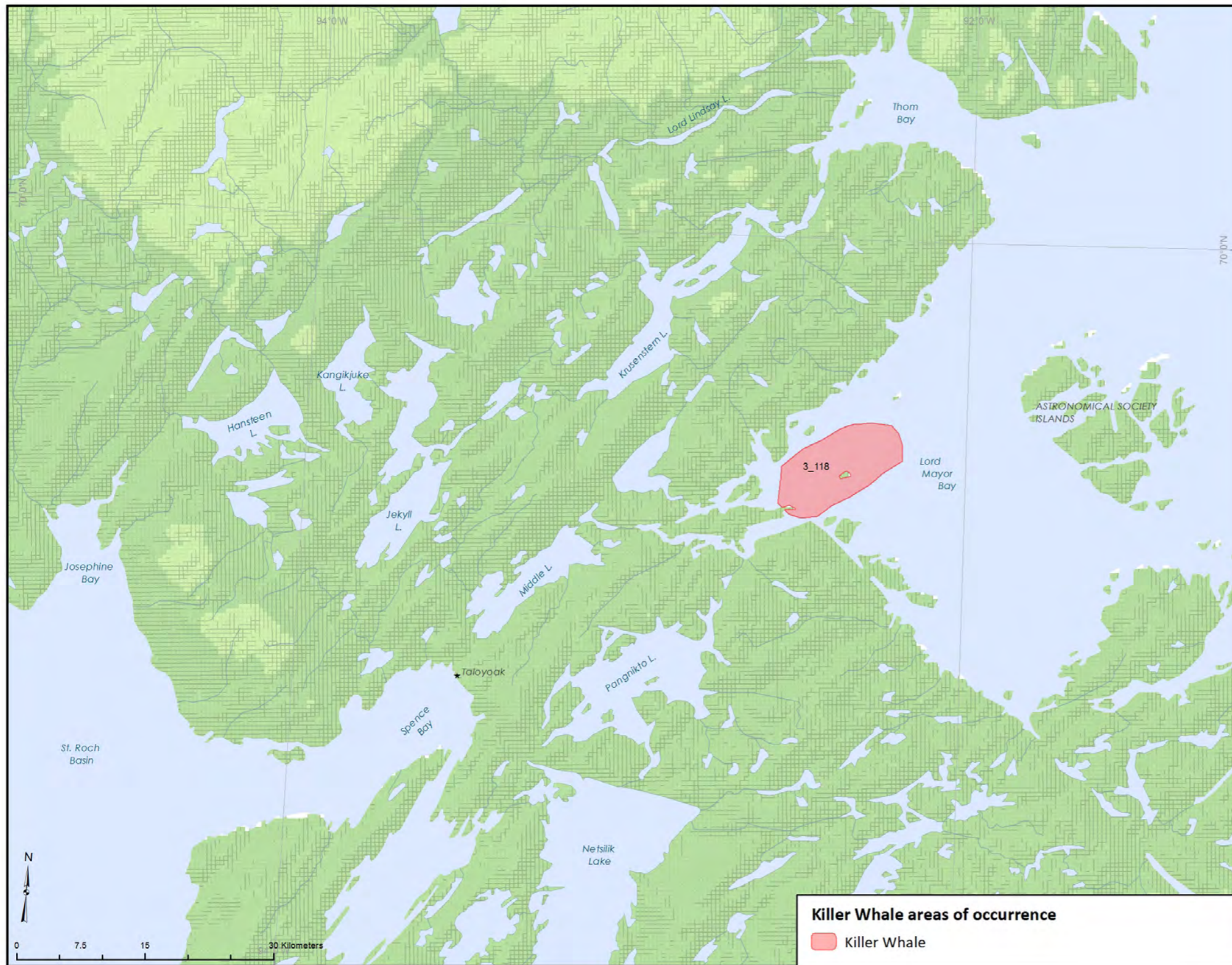


Table 27. Killer and Minke Whale areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------|--------|--|
| 3_118 | Tayk_3_0314 | Killer Whale | - | a pod of more than 10 individuals have appeared each year for the last 3 or 4 years; not seen previously |
| 5_96u | Tayk_5_0314 | Minke Whale | - | first spotted in 2009 and observed annually; sometimes with juveniles/calves |



Figure 30. Walrus areas of occurrence



Table 28. Walrus areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------|--------|--|
| 3_110 | Tayk_3_0314 | Walrus | - | not abundant; increasing in abundance |
| 3_111 | Tayk_3_0314 | Walrus | - | not abundant; increasing in abundance |
| 3_112 | Tayk_3_0314 | Walrus | - | not abundant; increasing in abundance |
| 5_75 | Tayk_5_0314 | Walrus | - | new to the area; recent sightings by other community members |
| 5_76 | Tayk_5_0314 | Walrus | - | new to the area; recent sightings by other community members |
| 5_77 | Tayk_5_0314 | Walrus | - | harvested in the 1990s in Pasley Bay and seen since |
| 9_67 | Tayk_9_0314 | Walrus | - | sighting |

Figure 31. Tundra Swan areas of occurrence



Table 29. Tundra Swan areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------|--------|----------|
| 8_29S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_30S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_31S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_32S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_33S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_34S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_35S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_36S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_37S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_38S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |
| 8_39S | Tayk_8_0314 | Tundra Swan | - | - |



Figure 32. Goose areas of occurrence

Table 30. Goose areas of occurrence



| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|
| 8_1 | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_2S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_3 | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_4 | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_5S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_6 | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_7S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_8S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_9S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_10S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_11S | Tayk_8_0314 | Greater White Fronted Goose | - | - |
| 8_12S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_13S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_14S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_15S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_16S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Goose | - | - |
| 8_17S | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_18S | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_19S | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_20S | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_21S | Tayk_8_0314 | Cackling Goose | - | - |
| 8_23S | Tayk_8_0314 | Barnacle Goose | - | - |
| 8_24S | Tayk_8_0314 | Barnacle Goose | - | - |
| 8_25S | Tayk_8_0314 | Barnacle Goose | - | - |
| 8_26S | Tayk_8_0314 | Canada Goose | - | new to the area since 1990 |
| 8_27S | Tayk_8_0314 | Canada Goose | - | new to the area since 1990 |
| 8_28S | Tayk_8_0314 | Canada Goose | - | new to the area since 1990 |
| 8_119A | Tayk_8_0314 | Canada Goose | - | - |

Figure 33. Duck areas of occurrence

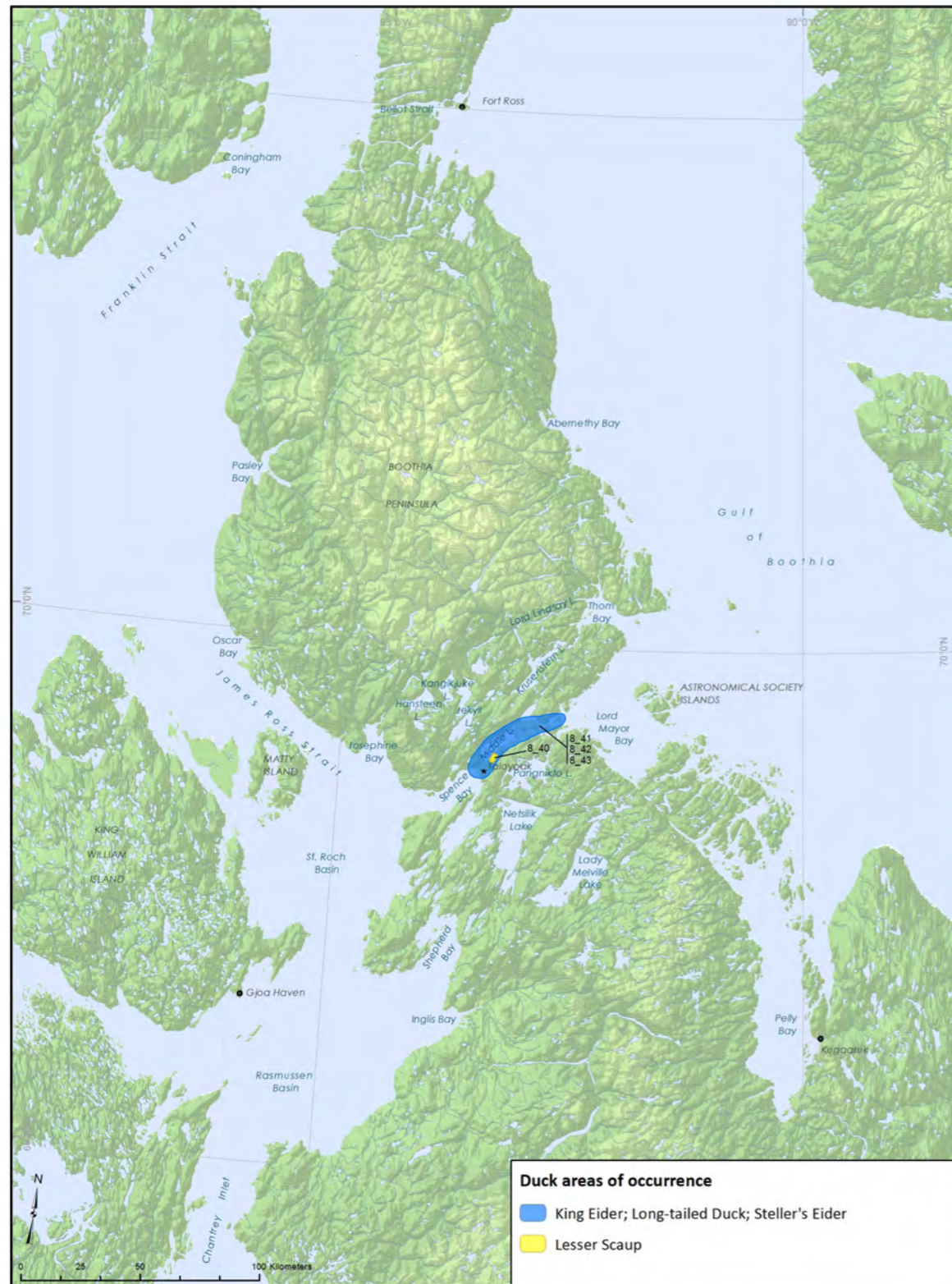


Table 31. Duck areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|--|
| 8_40 | Tayk_8_0314 | Lesser Scaup | - | seen only one at a time |
| 8_41S | Tayk_8_0314 | Stellar's Eider | - | - |
| 8_42S | Tayk_8_0314 | King Eider | June | spends most of its time out on the ice, but nests on land in June; the male does not remain at the nesting sites |
| 8_43S | Tayk_8_0314 | Long-tailed Duck | - | - |

Table 32. Perching bird everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---|
| 8_113e | Tayk_8_0314 | Common Raven | - | nests anywhere |
| 8_114e | Tayk_8_0314 | Snow Bunting | - | common; nests everywhere, under boulders |
| 8_115e | Tayk_8_0314 | Lapland Longspur | May – September | late May through early September resident |
| 8_116e,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Pine Siskin | - | identified as the female lapland longspur as they are always seen in pairs together |

Table 33. Shorebird (American Golden Plover, Pomarine Jaeger, Killdeer, Baird's Sandpiper, Red Phalarope, Red-Knot and Buff Breasted Sandpiper) everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------|--|
| 8_85e | Tayk_8_0314 | American Golden Plover | - | - |
| 8_86e,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Killdeer | - | - |
| 8_87e | Tayk_8_0314 | Baird's Sandpiper | - | - |
| 8_88e | Tayk_8_0314 | Red Knot | - | - |
| 8_89e | Tayk_8_0314 | Buff Breasted Sandpiper | - | - |
| 8_90e | Tayk_8_0314 | Gray Phalarope | - | - |
| 8_105e | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Tern | - | found along shorelines; nests in sand |
| 8_106e | Tayk_8_0314 | Pomarine Jaeger | May to September | Female looks like a pomarine jaeger and the male looks like a long-tailed jaeger; both are rare; May through early September |



Figure 34. Gull (Mew, Thayer's, Bonaparte's, Herring Gull) areas of occurrence

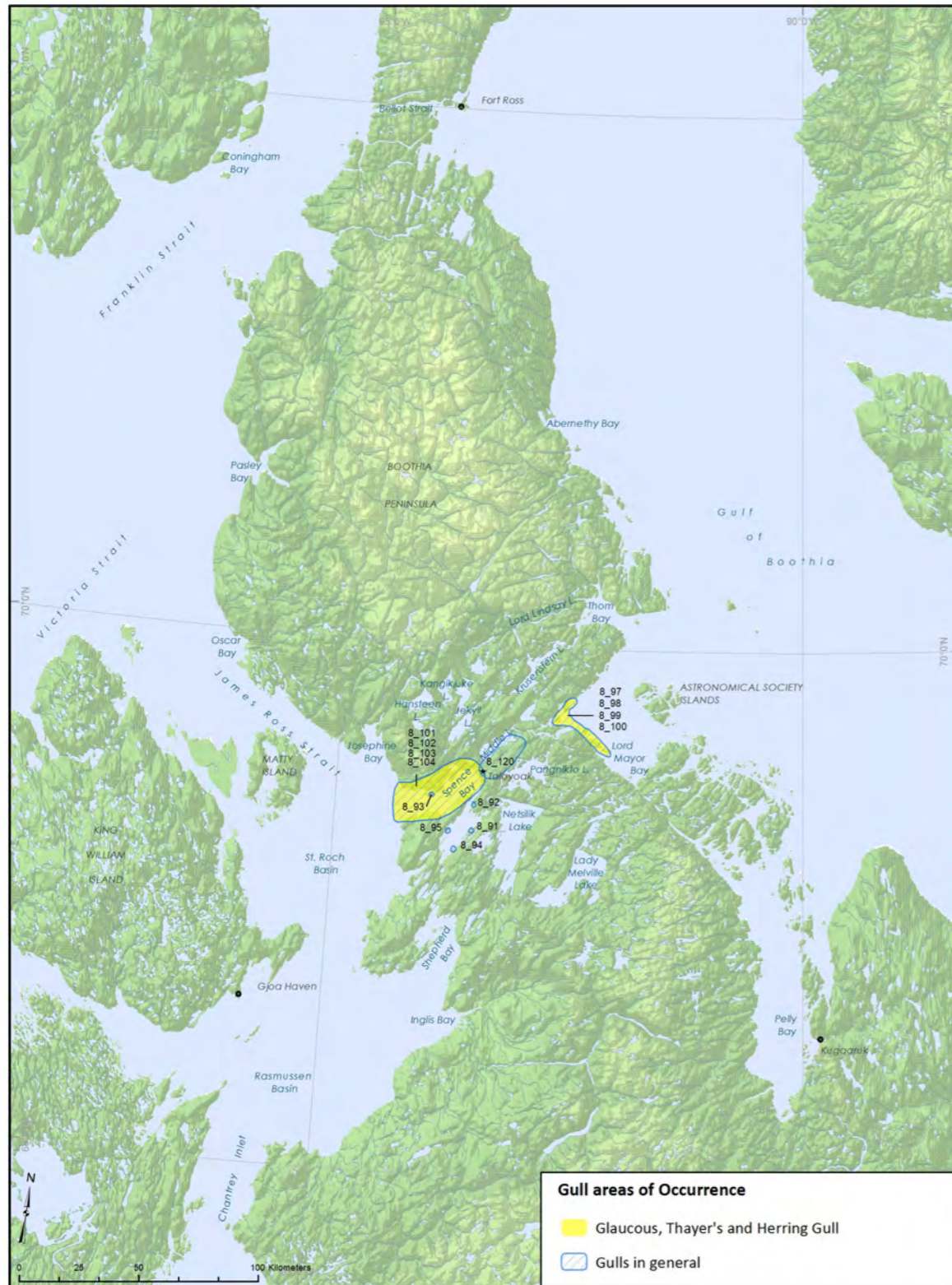


Table 34a. Gull (Mew, Thayer's, Bonaparte's, Herring Gull) areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|--|
| 8_91S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Bonaparte's Gull | - | first gull to arrive; nest along shorelines (sand); often found on small islands |
| 8_92S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Bonaparte's Gull | - | first gull to arrive; nest along shorelines (sand); often found on small islands |
| 8_93S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Bonaparte's Gull | - | first gull to arrive; nest along shorelines (sand); often found on small islands |
| 8_94S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Bonaparte's Gull | - | first gull to arrive; nest along shorelines (sand); often found on small islands |
| 8_95S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Bonaparte's Gull | - | first gull to arrive; nest along shorelines (sand); often found on small islands |
| 8_97u | Tayk_8_0314 | Mew Gull | - | nests on cliffs, islands, hills; close to Taloyoak |
| 8_98 | Tayk_8_0314 | Herring Gull | - | close to Taloyoak |
| 8_99 | Tayk_8_0314 | Thayer's Gull | - | close to Taloyoak |
| 8_100 | Tayk_8_0314 | Glaucous Gull | - | close to Taloyoak |
| 8_101u | Tayk_8_0314 | Mew Gull | - | Spence Bay area |
| 8_102 | Tayk_8_0314 | Herring Gull | - | Spence Bay area |
| 8_103 | Tayk_8_0314 | Thayer's Gull | - | Spence Bay area |
| 8_104 | Tayk_8_0314 | Glaucous Gull | - | Spence Bay area |
| 8_120A | Tayk_8_0314 | gulls in general | - | gulls in the area near Taloyoak are abundant |

Table 34b. Gull (Mew, Thayer's, Bonaparte's, Herring Gull) everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|----------|--------|----------|
| 8_96e,u | Tayk_8_0314 | Mew Gull | - | - |

Figure 35. Tern and Petrel areas of occurrence



Table 35. Tern and Petrel (Northern Fulmar and Short-tailed Shearwater) areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|-------------------------|--------|----------|
| 8_77u | Tayk_8_0314 | Short-tailed Shearwater | - | - |
| 8_78M | Tayk_8_0314 | Northern Fulmar | - | - |



Figure 36. Raptor (Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Gyrfalcon) and Owl (Snowy and Short-eared Owl) areas of occurrence

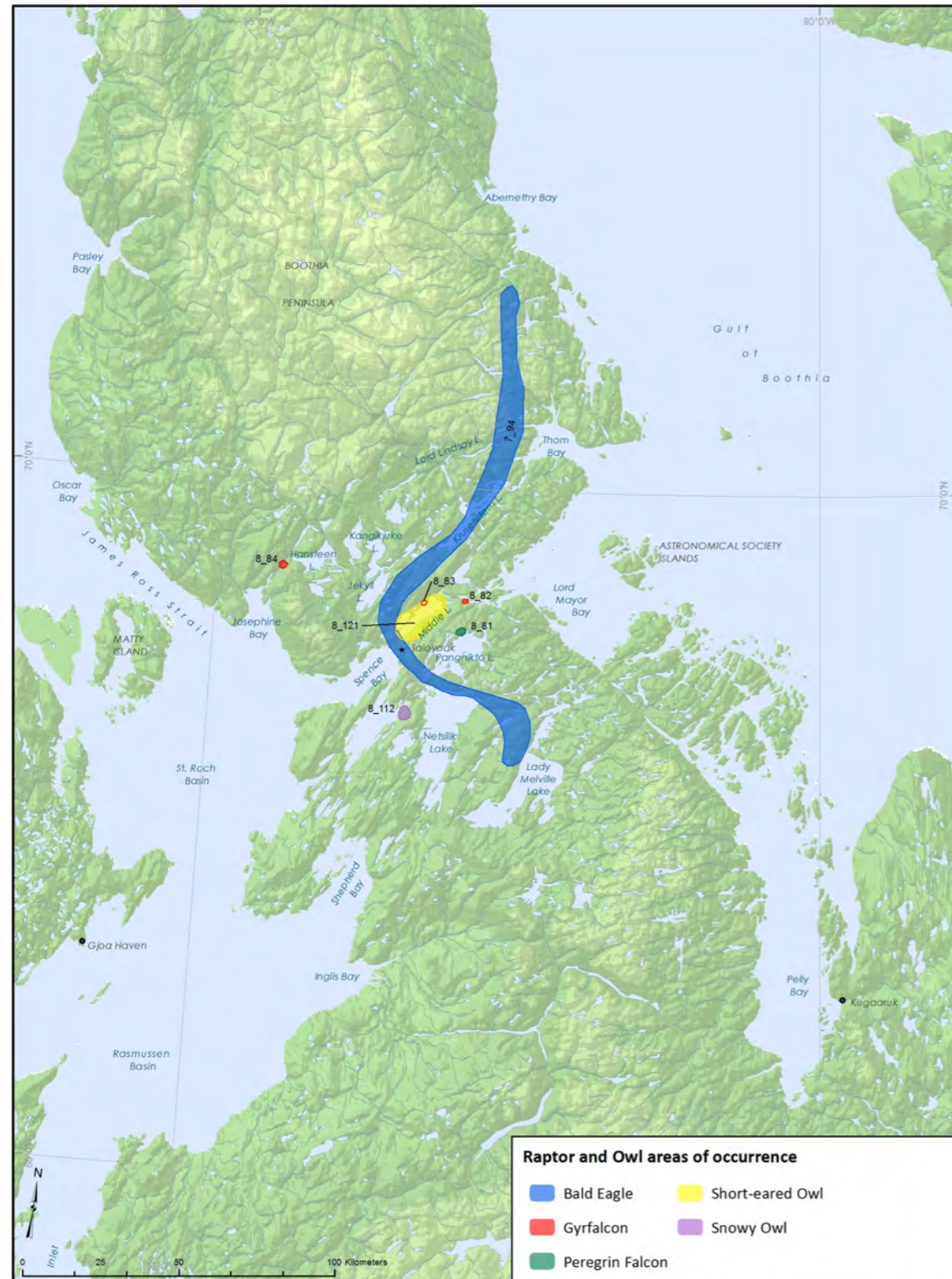


Table 36. Raptor (Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Gyrfalcon) and Owl (Snowy and Short-eared Owl) areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------|--------|---|
| 7_94 | Tayk_7_0314 | Bald Eagle | - | eagle observed at Krusenstern Lake in the spring of 2013 |
| 8_81 | Tayk_8_0314 | Peregrine Falcon | - | not as common as the Gyrfalcon |
| 8_82 | Tayk_8_0314 | Gyrfalcon | - | observed year-round but common in spring and summer with Peregrine Falcon |
| 8_83 | Tayk_8_0314 | Gyrfalcon | - | - |
| 8_84 | Tayk_8_0314 | Gyrfalcon | - | - |
| 8_112S | Tayk_8_0314 | Snowy Owl | - | nest with young observed |
| 8_121 | Tayk_8_0314 | Short-eared Owl | - | rare; seen once at Middle Lake |

Figure 37. Ptarmigan and Crane areas of occurrence



Table 37. Ptarmigan and Crane areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------------|--------|---|
| 8_22u | Tayk_8_0314 | Crane-like | - | brown, bald, red eyes, less than 2 ft tall, mimicked call |
| 8_44S | Tayk_8_0314 | Willow Ptarmigan | - | - |
| 8_45 | Tayk_8_0314 | Rock Ptarmigan | - | - |
| 8_46S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Willow Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_47S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Willow Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_48S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Willow Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_49S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Rock Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_50S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Rock Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_51S,A | Tayk_8_0314 | Rock Ptarmigan | - | abundant food source in the area |
| 8_52u | Tayk_8_0314 | White-tailed Ptarmigan | - | - |
| 8_53S,u | Tayk_8_0314 | White-tailed Ptarmigan | - | possible nesting site |
| 8_54u | Tayk_8_0314 | White-tailed Ptarmigan | - | - |
| 8_55u | Tayk_8_0314 | White-tailed Ptarmigan | - | - |



Figure 38. Loon (Arctic/Pacific, Red-throated and Yellow Billed loon) areas of occurrence

Table 38. Loon (Arctic/Pacific, Red-throated and Yellow Billed loon) areas of occurrence



| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|--------|---|
| 8_56 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_57u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_58 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_59 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_60u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_61 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_62 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_63u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_64 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_65 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_66u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_67 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_68 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_69u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_70 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_71 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_72u | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|--------------------|--------|---|
| 8_73 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_74 | Tayk_8_0314 | Red-throated Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_75 | Tayk_8_0314 | Arctic Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |
| 8_76 | Tayk_8_0314 | Yellow-billed Loon | June | arrive in June with the Long-tailed duck; male generally leaves earlier than the female |



Figure 39. Marine and terrestrial plant areas of occurrence

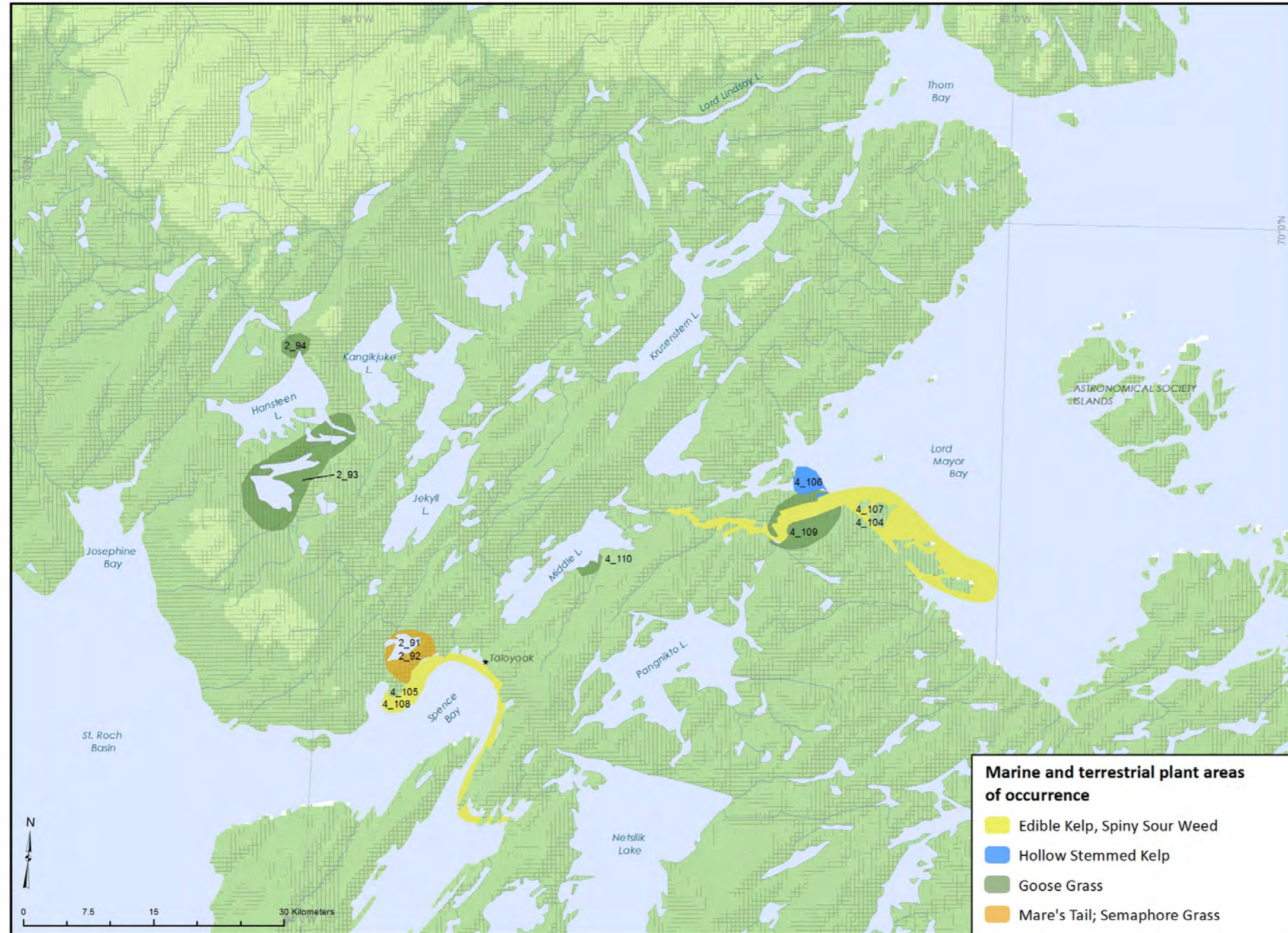


Table 39a. Marine and terrestrial plant areas of occurrence

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------------------|--------|---|
| 2_91 | Tayk_2_0314 | Semaphore Grass | - | - |
| 2_92u | Tayk_2_0314 | Mare's Tail | - | at Redfish Lake; unsure of species, described as similar to Mare's Tail |
| 2_93 | Tayk_2_0314 | Goose Grass | - | found in the riparian zones of creeks |
| 2_94 | Tayk_2_0314 | Goose Grass | - | found in the riparian zones of creeks |
| 4_104 | Tayk_4_0314 | Edible Kelp | - | - |
| 4_105 | Tayk_4_0314 | Edible Kelp | - | - |
| 4_106 | Tayk_4_0314 | Hollow Stemmed Kelp | - | - |
| 4_107 | Tayk_4_0314 | Spiny Sour Weed | - | - |
| 4_108 | Tayk_4_0314 | Spiny Sour Weed | - | - |
| 4_109 | Tayk_4_0314 | Goose Grass | - | - |
| 4_110 | Tayk_4_0314 | Goose Grass | - | - |

Table 39b. Marine plant everywhere data

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|---------------------|--------|----------|
| 2_89e,A | Tayk_2_0314 | Edible Kelp | - | - |
| 2_90e | Tayk_2_0314 | Hollow Stemmed Kelp | - | - |
| 4_118e | Tayk_4_0314 | Spiny Sour Weed | - | - |
| 5_103e | Tayk_5_0314 | Edible Kelp | - | - |



Figure 40. Historic (pre-2005) species observations

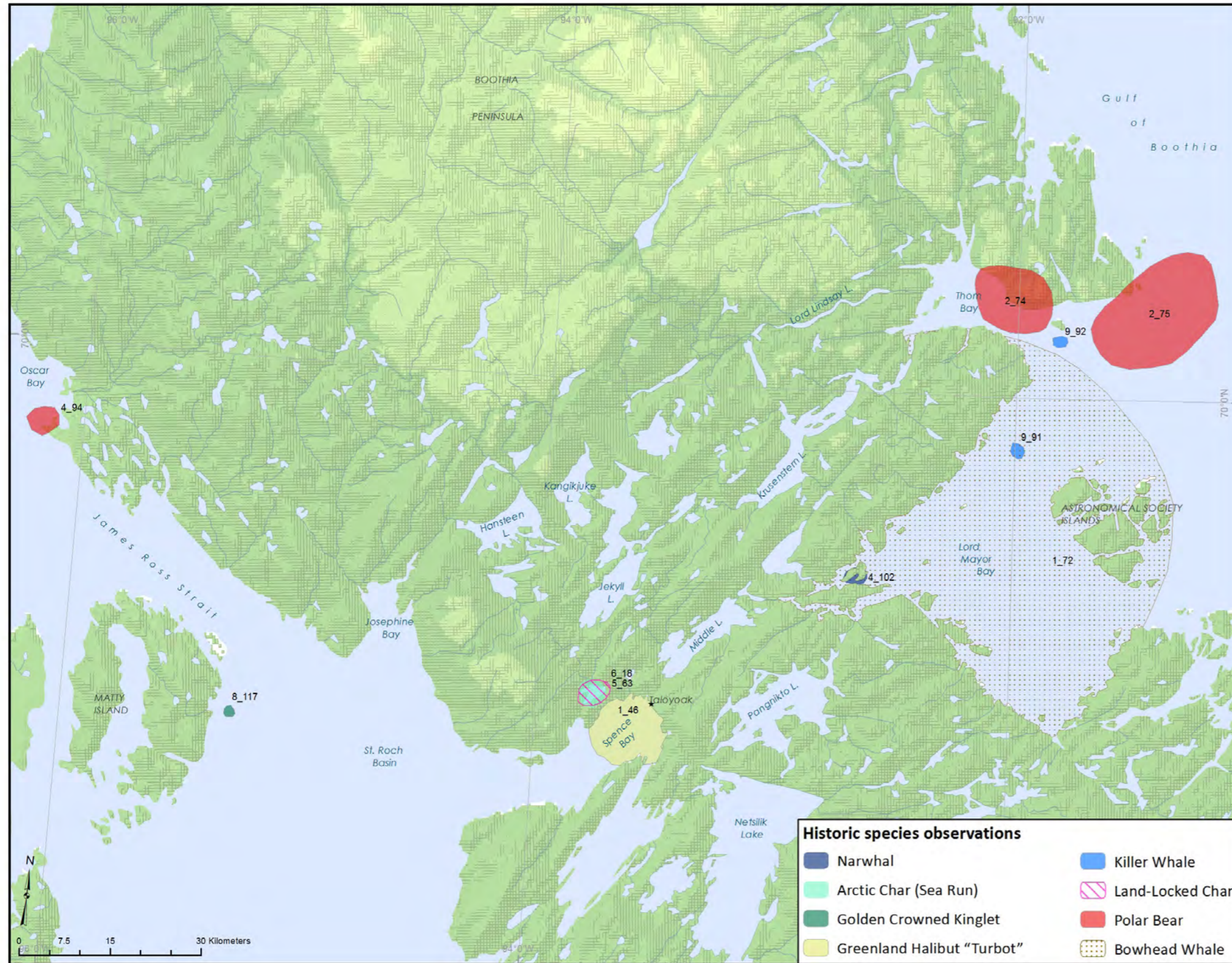


Table 40. Historic (pre-2005) species observations

| MAP CODE | INTERVIEW CODE | SPECIES | YEAR | MONTHS | COMMENTS |
|----------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------|--|
| 1_46H | Tayk_1_0314 | Greenland Halibut | ~1970 | June | captured approximately 35 years ago in late June |
| 1_72H | Tayk_1_0314 | Bowhead Whale | - | September | general observation some years ago |
| 2_74H | Tayk_2_0314 | Polar Bear | late 1990s | - | sightings ; late April, May |
| 2_75H | Tayk_2_0314 | Polar Bear | late 1990s | - | sightings ; late April, May |
| 4_94H | Tayk_4_0314 | Polar Bear | 2004 | - | saw a PB during 10 day hunter training expedition |
| 4_102H | Tayk_4_0314 | Narwhal | 2004 | - | seen moving out of the bay (Spence Bay) to open water |
| 5_63H | Tayk_5_0314 | Arctic Char (Sea Run) | - | - | fish stopped migration years ago, possibly due to drop in water levels; no longer a fishing location |
| 6_18H | Tayk_6_0314 | Land-Locked Char | 1980s | - | Redfish no longer occur in Redfish Lake; history of overfishing in the 1970s and 1980s for dog food. |
| 8_117H | Tayk_8_0314 | Golden Crowned Kinglet | 1970s | - | rare: seen only once 1970s when it was trapped in her tent |
| 9_91H | Tayk_9_0314 | Killer Whale | 1960s or 1970s | - | killer whales are rare; one observed in the 1960s or 1970s |
| 9_92H | Tayk_9_0314 | Killer Whale | 1960s or 1970s | - | killer whales are rare; one observed in the 1960s or 1970s |



MAPS - HISTORIC

The results of the Inuit Land Use and Occupancy Project (ILUOP) were published in 1976 in three volumes. Figures 41-47 are an excerpt from this study displaying trapping and hunting over three time periods: pre-1948, 1949-1962 and 1963-1974. The map legend follows the six maps.

Figure 41a. Spence Bay Trapping, Period I (pre-1948) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (north half of map)



Figure 41b. Spence Bay Trapping, Period I (pre-1948) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (south half of map)



Figure 42a. Spence Bay Hunting, Period I (pre-1948) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (north half of map)



Figure 42b. Spence Bay Hunting, Period I (pre-1948) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (south half of map)





Figure 43a. Spence Bay Hunting, Period II (1949-1962) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (north half of map)



Figure 43b. Spence Bay Hunting, Period II (1949-1962) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (south half of map)

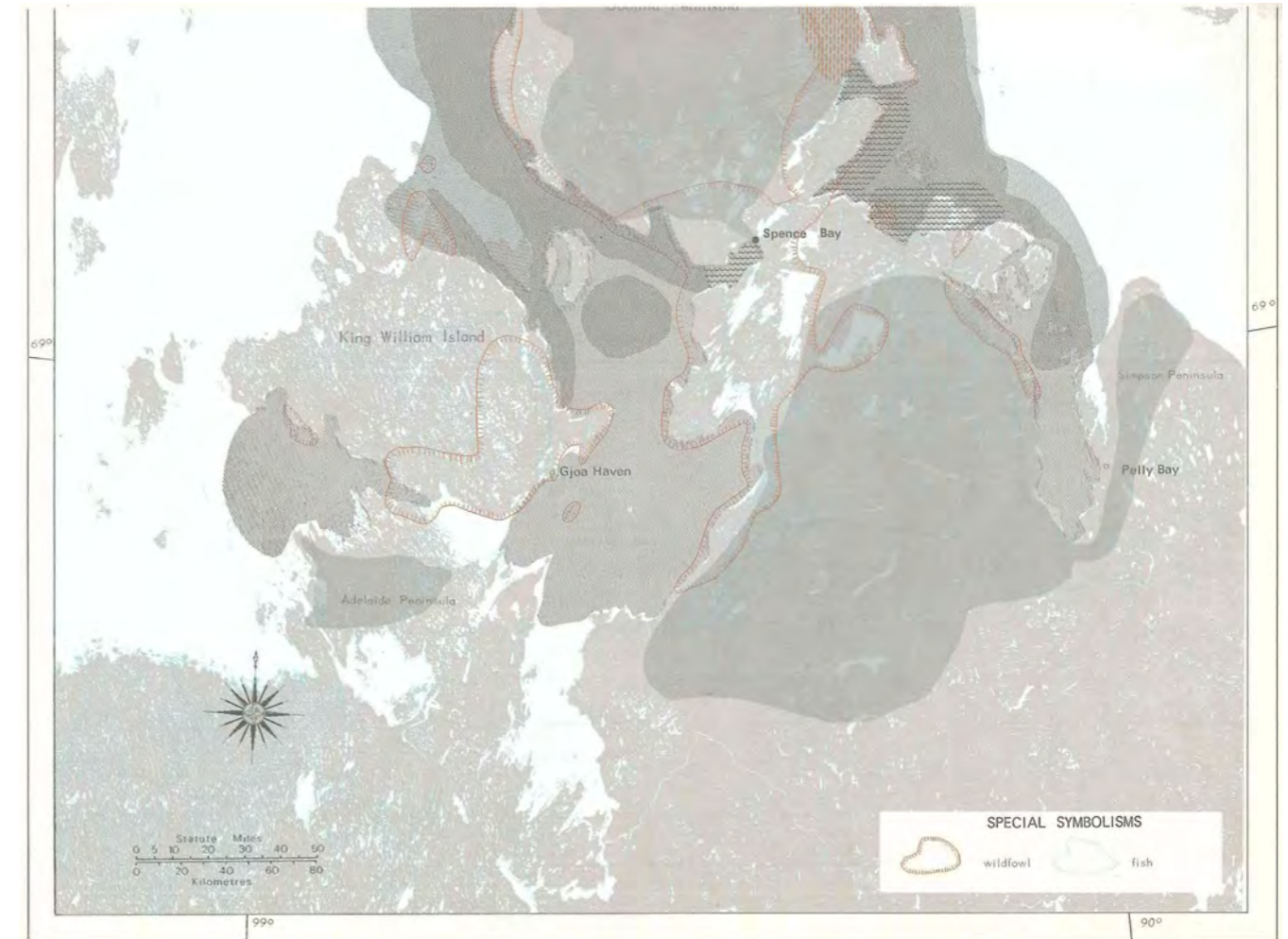


Figure 44. Spence Bay Trapping, Period II (1949-1962) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976



Figure 45. Spence Bay Trapping, Period III (1963-1974) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976

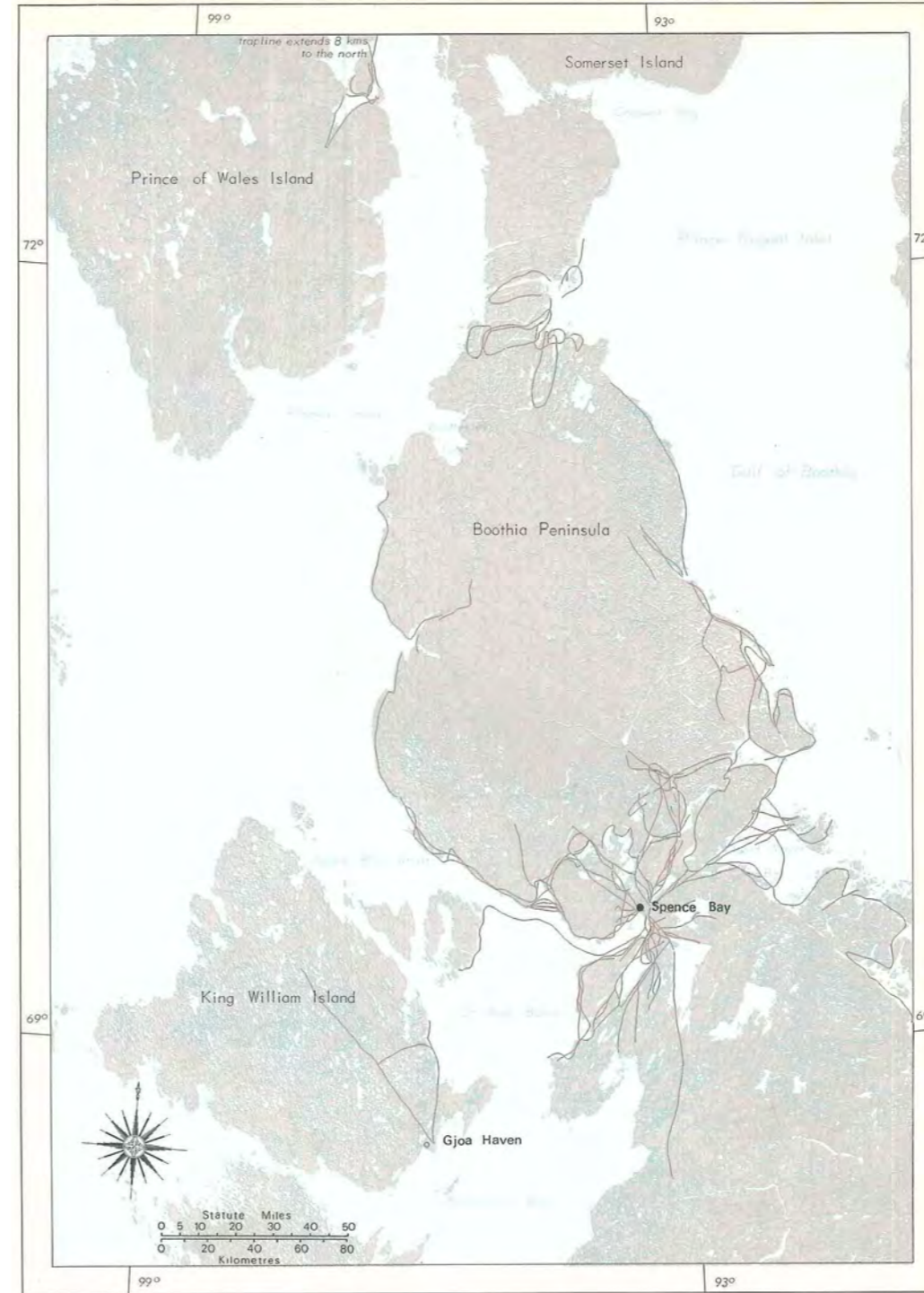




Figure 46a. Spence Bay Hunting, Period III (1963-1974) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (north half of map)

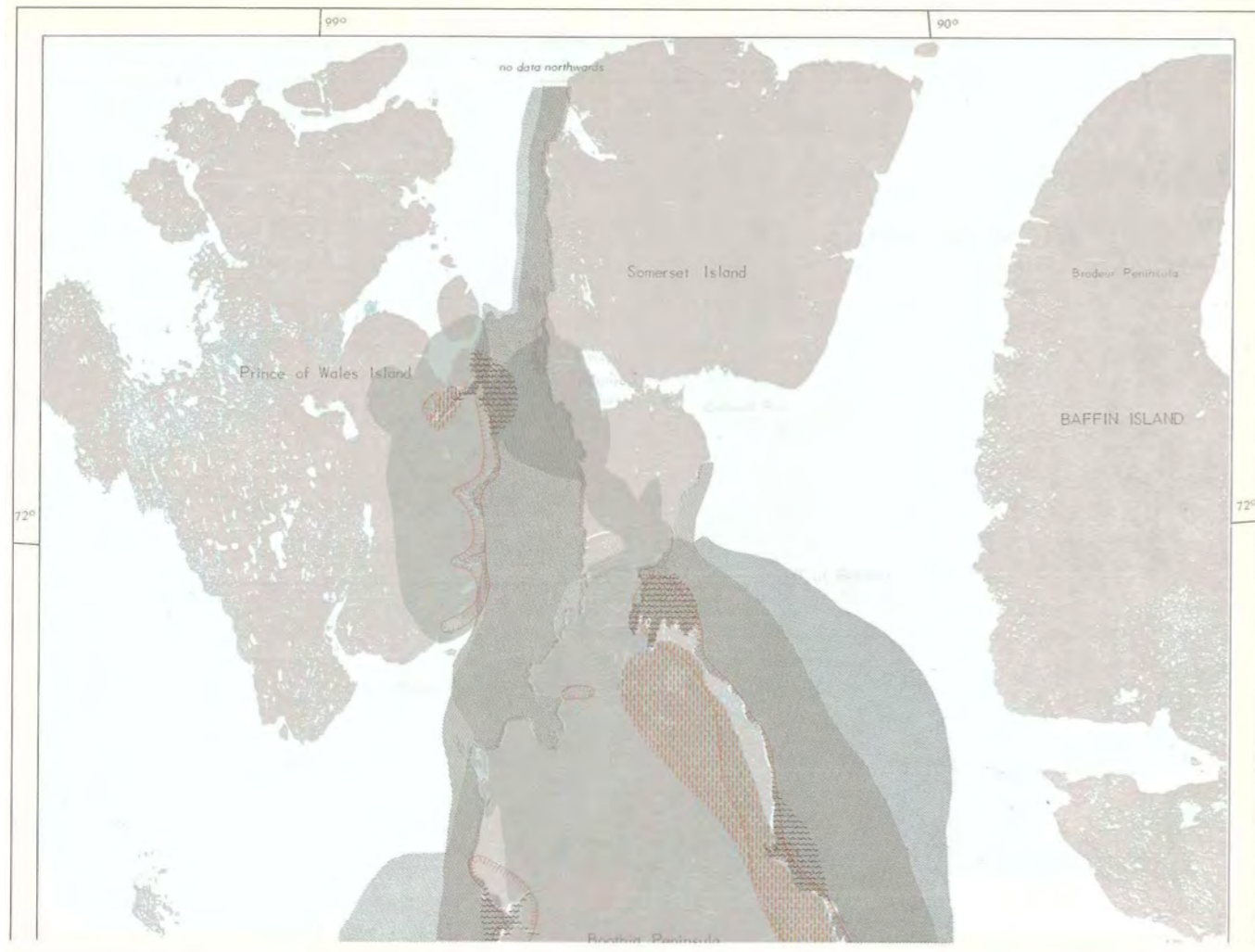
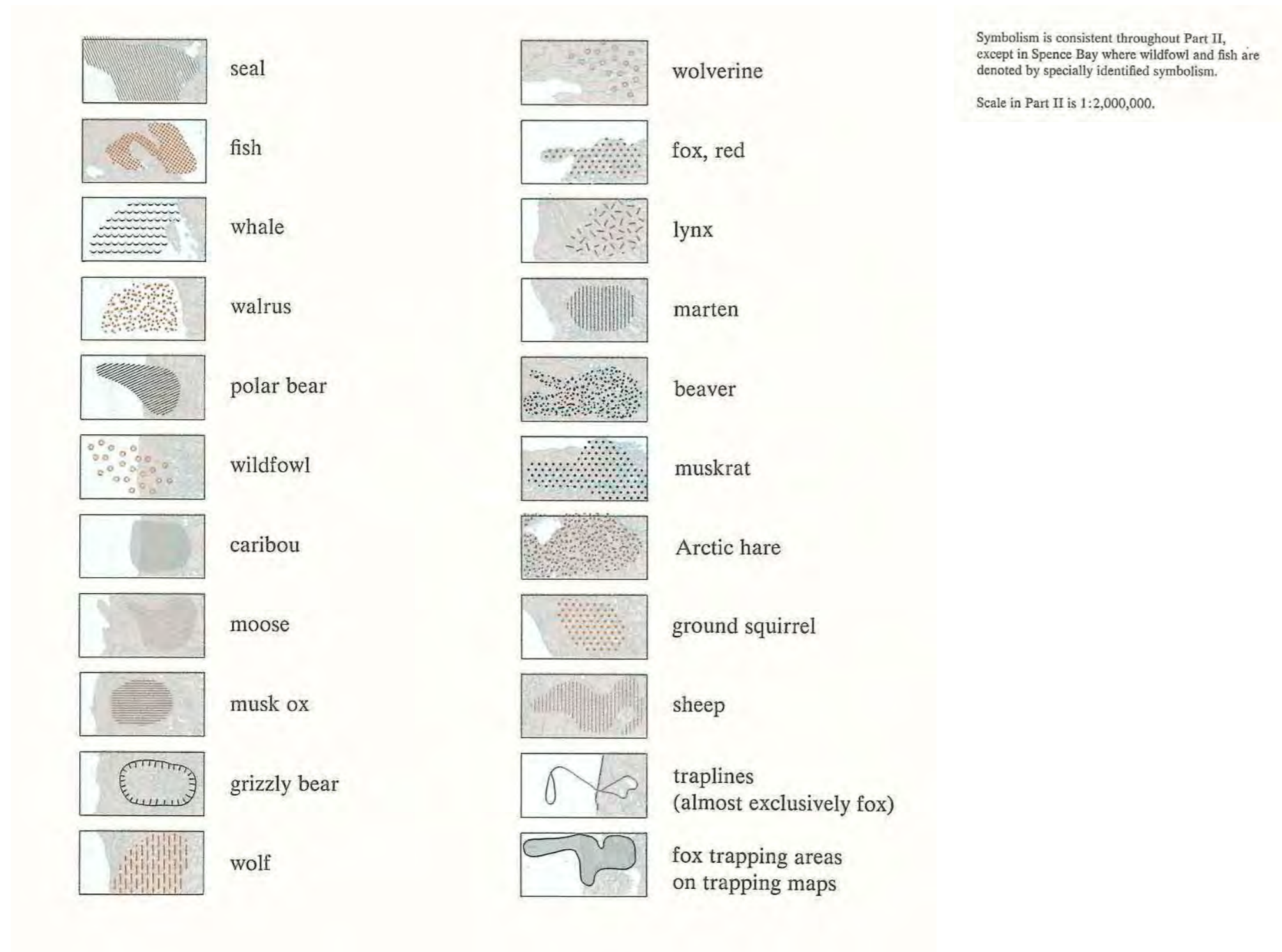


Figure 46b. Spence Bay Hunting, Period III (1963-1974) - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976 (south half of map)



Figure 47. Legend for the Spence Bay Region - excerpt from Inuit Land Use and Occupancy 1976





1992 NUNAVUT ATLAS

The Nunavut atlas partitions the Taloyoak study area into five sections (Prince of Wales Island, M'Clintock Channel, Boothia Peninsula, Rae Strait and Chantrey Inlet) each with two subsections: Land use and fishing; and Wildlife. Figure 48 displays the community map for Spence Bay (now Taloyoak) and Figures 49-58 describe each of the five sections and their subsections.

The summary provided below describes Rae Strait where the majority of land use by Taloyoak residents occurs.

The following text on land use and fishing is reprinted verbatim from the 1992 Nunavut Atlas (map shown in Figure 55) though it has been filtered to present information specific to species of interest in the coastal resource inventory.

1GH

This portion of King William Island is heavily trapped for Arctic fox each winter. The 80 General Hunting License holders trapped over 5,000 Arctic fox in a recent winter in this area which extends westward on King William Island. The Swan Lakes vicinity is heavily fished for migrating Arctic char and for lake trout during spring and fall. The area around the Gjoa Haven settlement is heavily hunted for waterfowl (especially geese) each spring.

2GH & SB

Most of Rasmussen Basin is currently little used for resource harvesting. One Gjoa Haven family has applied for a government-funded Outpost Camp at Cape Britannia northeast of Chantrey Inlet. Hunters and trappers from both Gjoa Haven and Pelly Bay have hunted seals and waterfowl throughout this area in the past.

6SB & PB

While much of this area is currently of little use for resource harvesting, Spence Bay hunters and trappers have hunted caribou and trapped Arctic fox here in the past and Pelly Bay hunters have hunted caribou here.

7GH, SB & PB

This winter travel route is heavily used by residents of Gjoa Haven, Spence Bay and Pelly Bay for travel between the three settlements.

8GH & PB

This travel route is well used for travel by Inuit between Gjoa Haven and Pelly Bay during winter and spring.

9GH

Fisheries and Oceans Canada has established a test fishery at the mouth of the Murchison River and a commercial quota is being determined. White fronted and snow geese are hunted periodically during some summers by Gjoa Haven hunters at the mouth of the Inglis and Murchison Rivers.

10GH

Hunters and trappers from Gjoa Haven use this important travel route to reach the Chantrey Inlet Outpost Camp. This route is used year round by snowmobile in winter and by motor boat during summer. Caribou are hunted when seen along the route. Gjoa Haven residents also use this route for travel to the Back River for Arctic char, lake trout and whitefish fishing during May and June and for waterfowl and seal hunting during summer, seals are hunted on the ice during mid-April to June.

11PB

Most of the 50 Pelly Bay General Hunting License holders utilize the many fish and wildlife resources of the entire Pelly Bay vicinity. A government quota of 5 narwhals has been established for Pelly Bay. Up to 10 Polar bears are taken each year, mostly along the west shore of Pelly Bay. Most Pelly Bay hunters harvest ringed seals and some bearded seals throughout Pelly Bay, hunting by motor boat during the open water period and on the ice during winter. Arctic foxes have been heavily trapped on both sides of Pelly Bay in past years. Many Pelly Bay families establish spring and summer Arctic char fishing camps at the numerous river mouths along the west shore of the bay. Waterfowl are commonly hunted at this time in conjunction with summer seal hunting.

13PB & RB

These travel routes between Pelly Bay and Repulse Bay, and along Committee Bay, are used by residents of both settlements each winter, travelling by snowmobile. Caribou or seals may be hunted if seen while travelling. The Government of the Northwest Territories has established an annual quota of 15 polar bears for this area each winter by Pelly Bay hunters. Fisheries and Oceans Canada has established a test fishery in Keith Bay with a quota of 4,500 kg of Arctic char.

14PB

This is the main Arctic fox trapping area for Pelly Bay residents. Most of Pelly Bay's annual harvest of 1,000 foxes comes from this area. The mouth of the Kellett River has had an annual commercial quota of 9,000 kg of Arctic char established by Fisheries and Oceans Canada; however, the Pelly Bay residents prefer to use the char resource for domestic consumption. Virtually every resident fishes for Arctic char under the ice each winter at the mouth of the Kellett River. Several hunters from Pelly Bay travel south along the Kellett, Atorquait and Arrowsmith rivers by snowmobile each winter to hunt caribou.

15PB

Most residents of Pelly Bay fish for Arctic char during winter under the ice of Barrow Lake and the mouth of Kugajuk River. Char are also taken with nets during summer in St. Peter Bay. This entire area is heavily trapped for Arctic fox during the winter.

16SB & GH

Spence Bay and Gjoa Haven hunters and trappers formerly hunted polar bears and ringed seals and trapped Arctic fox in Lord Mayor Bay and in the vicinity of the Astronomical Society Islands and Ross Peninsula in early fall. Now the polar bear hunting season has been changed to later in the winter and the rough ice present at that time precludes use of this area.

18PB

Pelly Bay hunters hunt polar bears and ringed seals throughout winter and also hunt seals during summer using motor boats on the open water from the Harrison Islands south throughout Pelly Bay.

19SB

Much of this area is currently little used for resource harvesting; however, Spence Bay residents used these areas in the past for caribou and waterfowl hunting and Arctic fox trapping.

20PB & SB

This winter travel route is used by residents of Pelly Bay for travel by snowmobile between the two settlements.

21SB

Virtually all of the approximately 50 General Hunting License holders use this area around the Spence Bay settlement for hunting, fishing and trapping year round. The Northwest Territories Wildlife Service reports that approximately 700 caribou may be shot in this area and north to Thom Bay, mostly during winter. Arctic fox trap lines are set primarily along the coast and the Wildlife Service estimates a current annual winter harvest of 1,500 foxes. Harvest 20 years ago often exceeded 6,000 foxes around Spence Bay. Fall camps for spearing of Arctic char are established at the mouth of the Garry River where an estimated 900 kg of char are harvested yearly by 4 to 5 families and upstream from Sagjak Inlet during the fall and spring. Lake trout are taken during fall, winter and spring by jigging through the ice, and by rod during the summer. Hansteen, Jekyll, Ishlutuk and Kangikjoke Lakes are important for lake trout fishing and Redfish Lake is used for both char and trout fishing. Netsilik Lake has had a commercial quota established of 5,500 kg of lake trout and whitefish. Many families camp on Middle Lake during summer. Four to five families camp at the outlet of Netsilik Lake during spring and summer and several at Netsikivik Inlet. Most landlocked Arctic char are caught during fall by jigging through the ice. Waterfowl hunting is generally done in conjunction with seal hunting from motor boats during

open water. Polar bears are seldom hunted near Spence Bay but are hunted further north, mostly during December, March and April.

22SB

Josephine and Spence bays are heavily utilized year-round by most Spence Bay residents for Arctic char fishing and ringed seal hunting. Arctic char are netted both under ice in fall and spring and by boat in open water during summer. Seals are hunted during winter (October) on the ice and during summer (July and August) by motor boat in open water. The Northwest Territories Wildlife Service estimates the current annual seal harvest at 400 during summer and 100 during winter. Seals are hunted along James Ross Strait to Cape Victoria and a sealing camp is set up at Josephine Bay during summer. James Ross Strait is used as a year-round travel route by Spence Bay hunters, both en route to polar bear hunting areas in the north during winter and occasionally during summer, en route to caribou hunting areas.

23SB

This travel route is used during winter by many hunters and fishermen from Spence Bay travelling by snowmobile to hunt caribou, seal and polar bear and to fish for Arctic char and lake trout further north.

24SB & PB

This travel route is used during winter by residents of both Spence Bay and Pelly Bay for travel by skidoo between the two settlements. Arctic fox traps are set along the route by some Spence Bay trappers.

25GH & SB

Most of St. Roch Basin is currently little used for resource harvesting. Hunters and trappers from both Gjoa Haven and Spence Bay hunted polar bears, seals and waterfowl and trapped Arctic fox along portions of St. Roch Basin during past years.

Notes on Domestic and Commercial Fisheries

Fish, particularly anadromous Arctic char, are an important food for residents of Spence Bay. Between March and December, fishermen from the community range south to Sheperd Bay and north to the lakes near Bellot Strait. Travelling by snowmobile in the spring and fall and by boat in the summer, they net, jig, spear or angle Arctic char, lake trout, lake whitefish, cod and cisco.

From March to June and October to December, fish are netted or jigged through the ice of fresh water lakes and marine bays. Land-locked Arctic char and lake trout are caught in Pangnikto, Jekyll, Kangikjuke, Ishluktuk, Redfish and Hansteen lakes; anadromous Arctic char, lake trout, possibly anadromous, are caught in Middle and Krusenstern lakes and the lakes east of Balfour Bay (e.g. 69°08'N, 94°00'W). During this period, cod are jigged for through the ice of Spence Bay and Willersted Inlet.

During July and August, nets are set along the shores of Spence Bay and Netsiksiuvik Inlet to catch Arctic char and cod. Arctic char and lake trout are angled and sometimes netted, usually from shore, at summer camps and near the community.

In late August and early September, anadromous Arctic char are netted or speared in the rivers as they return upstream to overwinter in fresh water. The Garry and Netsilik rivers and outlet streams to Middle and Krusenstern lakes are netted annually and char are speared at a saputit on the outlet to Krusenstern Lake and in the Garry River.

During October and November, commercial fishermen from Spence Bay net Arctic char in Lord Lindsay Lake, Netsilik Lake and the Agnew River area. Lord Lindsay Lake has been fished annually since 1977 and has an anadromous char quota of 3,000 kg round weight. Netsilik Lake was last commercially fished in 1978 and there are no catch statistics available for the Agnew River area which has a char quota of 4,500 kg round weight.

In 1981, commercial test-fishing permits were issued for Netsilik, Lady Melville and Pangnikto lakes. Further data is not available.

The following text on wildlife is reprinted verbatim from the 1992 Nunavut Atlas (map shown in Figure 56).

1. WATERFOWL

This is only a very small portion of a large wildlife area which extends onto the adjacent map area to the north and west, and which encompasses all of Adelaide Peninsula, King William Island and many of the adjacent small islands. This wildlife area provides very important habitat for a large number and diversity of birds. Much of this entire region is characterized by extensive well-vegetated lowlands that are interspersed with numerous small, shallow tundra ponds and lakes. These areas provide prime nesting habitat for many of the bird species that breed in the region and include such species as Canada goose, king eider, oldsquaw, whistling swan, sandhill crane, glaucous and Sabine's gulls, Arctic tern, Arctic loon, red-throated and yellow-billed loons, pomarine and parasitic jaegers, long-tailed jaeger, snowy owl, rock ptarmigan and several species of shorebirds.

Adelaide Peninsula and King William Island appear to be particularly important for swans. Likely between 1,000-2,000 and 3,000-4,000 whistling swans utilize Adelaide Peninsula and King William Island, respectively, for breeding, brood rearing and molting. These areas are also important, particularly during the critical molting period, for large numbers of geese. These geese appear to be mostly non-breeding birds that are likely associated with the goose populations that nest mainly in the Queen Maud Gulf Migratory Bird Sanctuary and in the Rasmussen Basin. Nesting activity by a small percentage of geese, mostly Canada geese, does occur on Adelaide Peninsula and King William Island. Non-breeding geese utilizing this wildlife area likely number 7,000-14,000 snow, 5,000-10,000 Canada geese, 500-1,000 white-fronted geese and 750-1,500 brant. The numbers of geese within this area

may fluctuate substantially from year to year and would likely be dependent upon the relative breeding success of the nearby nesting areas. Whistling swans and Canada geese are found widely dispersed throughout this entire area. Concentrations of molting snow geese have been observed in the interior of Adelaide Peninsula, mostly in association with the larger lakes. On King William Island, concentrations of molting snow geese have been observed along the Douglas River system and on the northwest side of the island between Collinson Inlet and Riviere de la Roquette. King eiders and old squaw are common throughout much of this area. Scattered concentrations of molting ducks, likely non-breeders have been observed in coastal areas, mostly in association with the large, ice-free inlets.

2. WATERFOWL

This large area which extends mainly onto the map area to the north, comprises the Rasmussen Basin lowlands - a region of recent marine emergence that is poorly drained, well-vegetated, and contains numerous shallow lakes, ponds and meandering rivers and streams. The region encompassing these lowlands provides both important and critical habitat for a large number and diversity of birds. Up to 46 species of birds have been recorded in this area. Most of these, which include such species as whistling swan, white-fronted goose, Canada and snow geese, brant, king eider, oldsquaw, sandhill crane, snowy owl, glaucous and Sabine's gulls, Arctic tern, Arctic and red-throated loons, pomarine and parasitic jaegers, long-tailed jaeger, rock ptarmigan and at least 12 species of shorebirds, nest within these lowlands. A 1976 estimate has placed the overall summering bird population in the area at over 1,500,000.

The Rasmussen Basin lowlands are particularly important as a breeding and molting area for large numbers of waterfowl, including a significant percentage (3-5%) of the continental populations of whistling swans and white-fronted geese. Estimates (1976) place the waterfowl population utilizing these lowlands of 5,000-6,000 whistling swans, 10,000 white-fronted geese,



5,000-6,000 snow geese, 30,000-35,000 king eiders, 10,000-15,000 old squaws and 500-1,000 Canada geese. A large percentage of the waterfowl found summering on these lowlands are thought to be non-breeding birds. Significant numbers of other birds that are also associated primarily with marine and aquatic habitats that include cranes, loons and an estimated (1976) 500,000 shorebirds, the most numerous being the red phalarope, also utilize this area.

Migratory birds begin arriving on the lowlands in late May and early June. At this time many of the rivers and streams, which provide most of the early open water within the area, are particularly important for waterfowl and other water birds for staging as they await the snow melt off the nesting areas. By mid-September most migratory birds have moved south with the exception of the eiders and oldsquaws, many of which remain in the area until freeze-up.

3. WATERFOWL

This central or core area of the Rasmussen Basin Lowlands which generally lies below 60 meters in elevation is critical habitat for birds. The highest densities of many of the bird species inhabiting the entire lowlands region, particularly whistling swans, white-fronted and snow geese, king eider, oldsquaw and the large variety of shorebirds utilize this area for nesting, brood-rearing and molting. This area is particularly critical for swans and white-fronted geese.

Although snow geese nest in scattered locations throughout the lowland area, most nesting activity is concentrated in three main colonies which are located in the extreme southwest corner and near the north end of this Critical wildlife area, Molting and brood rearing snow geese appear to remain concentrated, mostly in the vicinity of these colonies.

Both king eiders and oldsquaws are common summer residents within this area and are widespread nesters throughout the lowlands. The rivers, larger lakes, and particularly coastal waters are important areas for

molting birds. Most brood rearing activity appears to be associated with the coastline and on tundra lakes and ponds, likely near the nesting sites. High densities of shorebirds summer in these lowlands. These birds are widespread through the lowlands. The highest densities have been recorded in coastal areas, particularly north of the Inglis River.

4. WATERFOWL

This area with its many lakes and well-vegetated lowlands provides some important habitat for birds that include waterfowl, loons, gulls and shorebirds. This area may be particularly important for small numbers of nesting, brood-rearing and molting waterfowl that includes Canada geese, snow geese, white-fronted geese and oldsquaws.

The coastal area along the west side of Committee Bay is used most extensively by non-breeding birds - king eiders, oldsquaws, and Canada geese - for molting. These areas also provide some important habitats that are utilized for nesting and brood rearing by a variety of shorebirds, waterfowl, loons and gulls.

6. WATERFOWL

The rivers, coasts, and associated lowlands, within this area, provide some important habitat for birds, particularly waterfowl. These areas receive their greatest use by molting geese, mostly non-breeding Canadas that occur in many small scattered flocks along the rivers and coasts. The rivers themselves and coastal waters are important in that they provide a relatively safe refuge from predators for molting geese, particularly during the flightless period when they are most vulnerable. Some of the small, shallow lakes found throughout this area may be particularly important for small numbers of nestling, brood-rearing and molting waterfowl that include Canada geese, snow geese, white-fronted geese and oldsquaws. Some important habitats for other birds, which include loons, gulls and a variety of shorebirds may also be found within this area.

7. WATERFOWL

Matty Island provides some important habitat for nesting, brood rearing and molting by small numbers of birds that include whistling swans, brant, Canada geese, king eiders, oldsquaws, glaucous gulls, jaegers, loons and a variety of shorebirds.

That portion of the area encompassing Oscar Bay and north contains well-vegetated meadows and many tundra lakes and ponds, and appear to be especially productive for birds, mostly waterfowl. Waterfowl species that utilize this wildlife area for nesting, brood-rearing and molting include snow geese, Canada geese, oldsquaws, king eiders and whistling swans. Coastal areas are of particular importance for molting birds, mostly ducks. Because of the habitats available within this area, other birds utilizing the area would include gulls, jaegers and loons.

8. WATERFOWL

This area, which is well-vegetated and has many ponds and lakes distributed throughout has been reported to contain high densities of breeding birds that include several species of shorebirds, Canada geese, white-fronted geese, oldsquaws and Arctic terns. The larger lakes within this area are likely used most extensively by molting birds.

9. SEABIRDS

This is an important area for a small concentration of gulls that utilize the area for feeding and nesting. The area supports at least three small colonies of nesting glaucous gulls.

10. SEABIRDS

These areas support small to moderate-sized colonies of cliff nesting gulls, Approximately 25-50 breeding pairs of gulls, likely glaucous gulls, nest at the colony near the mouth of the Garry River. The two gull colonies, likely of glaucous gulls, located near Netsiksiuvik and Sagvak Inlets are reported to number approximately 50 and 100 breeding pairs respectively. A mixed colony of Thayer's and

glaucous gulls located along the coast to the southwest of Felix Harbour is reported to number approximately 150 breeding pairs. The largest colony is on Korvigdjuak Island and supports approximately 100-200 breeding pairs of gulls. The gull colonies to the north and south of Pelly Bay support about 75-125 breeding pairs. These colonies contain either or both glaucous and Thayer's gulls.

11. SEABIRDS

These areas support small colonies of nesting gulls. The colonies range in size from approximately 15 breeding pairs in the northern-most colony on this map area to about 50 breeding pairs in the Harrison Islands colony. These colonies contain either or both glaucous gulls and Thayer's gulls.

12. RAPTORS

The steep cliffs scattered throughout the Precambrian uplands along the eastern and north-central portions of this area, particularly the escarpment that forms the eastern boundary of the Rasmussen Basin lowlands, contains prime nesting habitat for raptors. Because of their relatively small overall population sizes, nesting success is particularly critical for peregrine and gyrfalcons. All areas used by peregrines and gyrfalcons for nesting are designated critical. Peregrine falcons and rough-legged hawks are reported to be abundant within this area. The occasional gyrfalcon and golden eagle may also nest in the area.

13. RAPTORS

Raptors, mostly rough-legged hawks and peregrine falcons appear to be relatively abundant within this area. The occasional gyrfalcon may also be found nesting here. This area immediately south of Pelly Bay, in the vicinity of the Arrowsmith River, appears to be particularly productive habitat for golden eagles.

14. RAPTORS

Within this area raptors do not appear to be particularly abundant. The area is used most extensively by rough-legged hawks, some peregrine falcons and perhaps the occasional gyrfalcon.

20. SEALS

Inuit from Gjoa Haven and Spence Bay report that ringed seals, occurring in groups of moderate densities, and bearded seals, occurring individually and in much lower densities, are found in all waters surrounding King William Island.

21. SEALS

Inuit hunters report that moderate numbers of ringed seals and a few bearded seals occur year-round in Pelly Bay.

22. SEALS AND POLAR BEARS

Ringed seals are found year-round throughout the marine portion of this map area but are particularly numerous on the stable land-fast ice found along the coastlines. They are not randomly and independently distributed but rather, are found in groups or clumps. The less gregarious bearded seals occur sporadically and in lower numbers. A particular area of concentration seems to be along the northeast coast of King William Island south of Matty Island.

During the winter and spring, polar bears concentrate on the ice to hunt seals, particularly at the floe edges and on the unstable offshore ice. Here are found the greatest concentrations of sub-adult ringed seals which are inexperienced and easier to capture. These yield an energy value equivalent to that of the adult ringed seals found on the more stable ice closer to shore. A few bearded seal are also taken regularly.

23. POLAR BEARS

Matty Island and the southeast coast of the Boothia Peninsula are suspected to be important maternity denning areas. The southwest coast of the Boothia Peninsula and other coastal areas of the map area are inadequately surveyed for polar bear dens.

24. POLAR BEARS

Polar bears are present on the ice in Pelly bay between autumn and spring where they hunt seals prior to breakup in the summer. The persistence of ice in the Bay during the first weeks of summer allows the bears to prolong their hunting of seals.

25. POLAR BEARS

The northern portion of the Simpson Peninsula is known to be a large and important maternity denning area for polar bear. This region, particularly along the east coast from the tip of the peninsula as far south as Keith Bay, constitutes an important feeding ground for bears which range here during winter, and for female bears and their cubs which emerge from their dens in spring.

26. POLAR BEARS

The northern portion of the Simpson Peninsula, the Northern Archipelago and the Harrison and Astronomical Islands make up a large and important maternity denning area for polar bears. This region, particularly along the coasts of the islands and in the bays, also serves as a major feeding area.

27. POLAR BEARS

Polar bears are known to range along the northeast coastline of King William Island. The presence of people at Gjoa Haven discourages the polar bears from moving too close to the settlement.

28. SEALS

Ringed seals are found year-round throughout the marine portion of this area but they are particularly numerous on the land-fast ice in the bays and along the coastlines. Bearded seals, occurring sporadically, are found farther offshore, in areas of moving pack and pan ice.

29. SEALS

Inuit from Pelly Bay report that ringed seals are found throughout the year along the west coast of Committee Bay. They are formerly harvested during the winter off Cape Barclay near the mouth of Keith Bay.

30. SEALS AND WALRUS

The ranges of the harp seal and the Atlantic walrus have been documented to include the northern half of the Gulf of Boothia tapering eastward into Foxe Basin. Both species are absent from most of the study area because of the barrier of solid ice in Queen Maud Gulf, Victoria Strait and M'Clintock Channel.

31. NARWHALS, BELUGAS AND WALRUS

Sightings of both narwhals and belugas in Spence and Lord Mayor Bays have been reported, although in recent years such occurrences have become quite rare. In 1953 it was reported that walrus were sometimes harvested in Lord Mayor Bay. Also reported was a single walrus sighting near the mouth of Spence Bay. The latter is considered to be an extralimital occurrence as it is outside of what is thought to be the usual range of the walrus.

32. NARWHALS AND BELUGAS

In June narwhals leave their wintering grounds in the open pack ice areas of Davis Strait and enter the leads into Pond Inlet, Jones Sound and Lancaster Sound. Some of the whales entering Lancaster Sound turn into Prince Regent Inlet. Periodically the migration route extends into Lord Mayor, Pelly and Committee Bays.

33. NARWHALS, BELUGAS AND WALRUS

Narwhals, belugas and walrus, although uncommon, appear in the Pelly Bay area during years when there is a limited amount of floating ice.

White whales and narwhals, the latter being more abundant, are sometimes hunted along the southwest coast of Pelly Bay. In 1975 the residents of Pelly Bay reported taking seven narwhal.

A walrus was shot at Pelly Bay in 1949. Walrus killings in more recent years include one at the mouth of Kellett River and another at the northern end of St. Peter Bay.

34. BELUGAS

Belugas have occasionally been seen as far south as Rasmussen Basin, north of Chantrey Inlet. Two were sighted in this area in August of 1982.

35. WALRUS

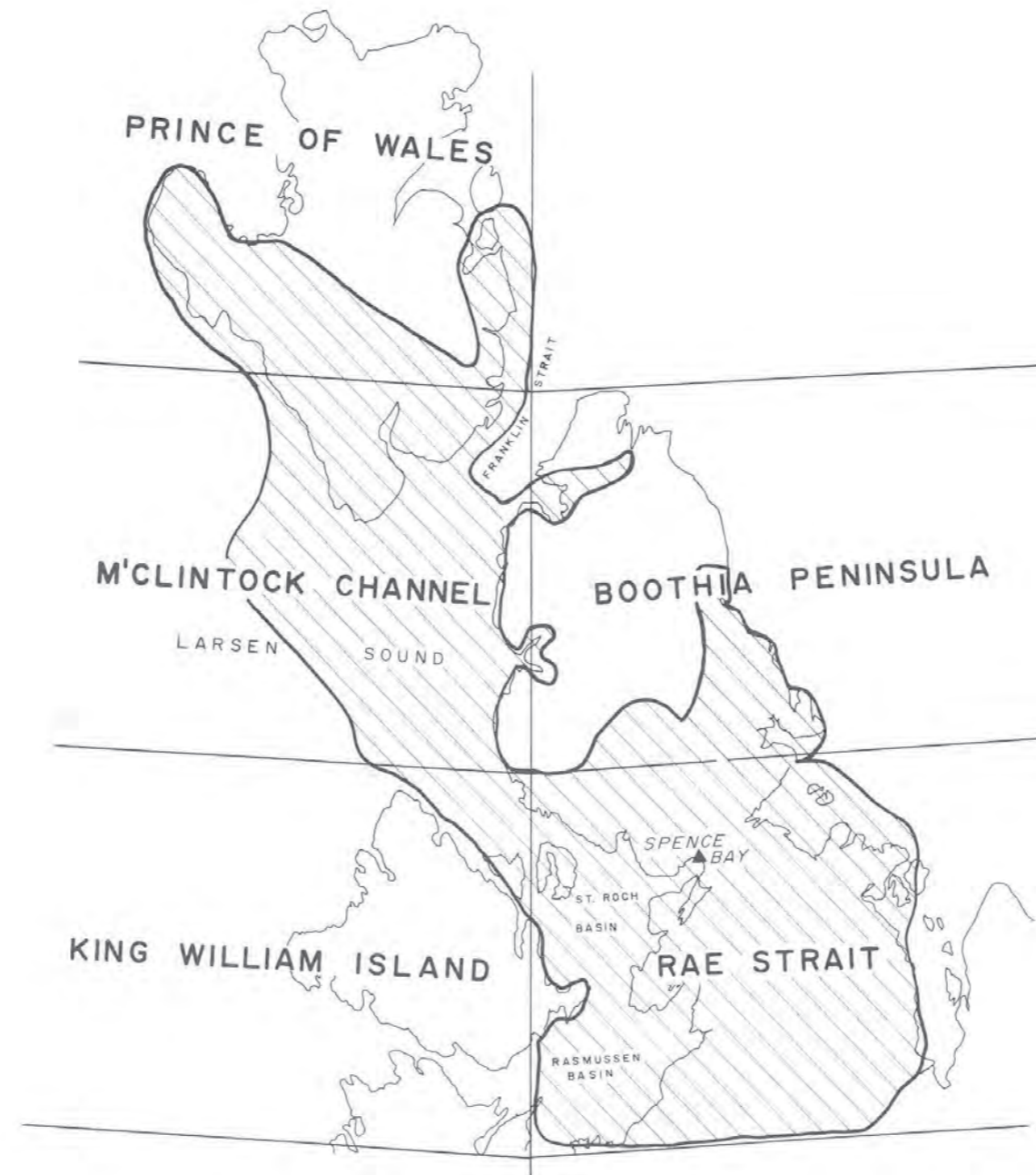
Hunters report occasional harvesting of walrus in the mouth of Lord Mayor Bay, particularly in the vicinity of the Astronomical Society Islands.



Figure 48. Community map for Spence Bay – excerpt from The Nunavut Atlas 1992



Girls at Spence Bay — PHOTO: JILL OAKES



SPENCE BAY - TALUGYOAK

Figure 49. Landuse and Fishing map, Prince of Wales Island – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992

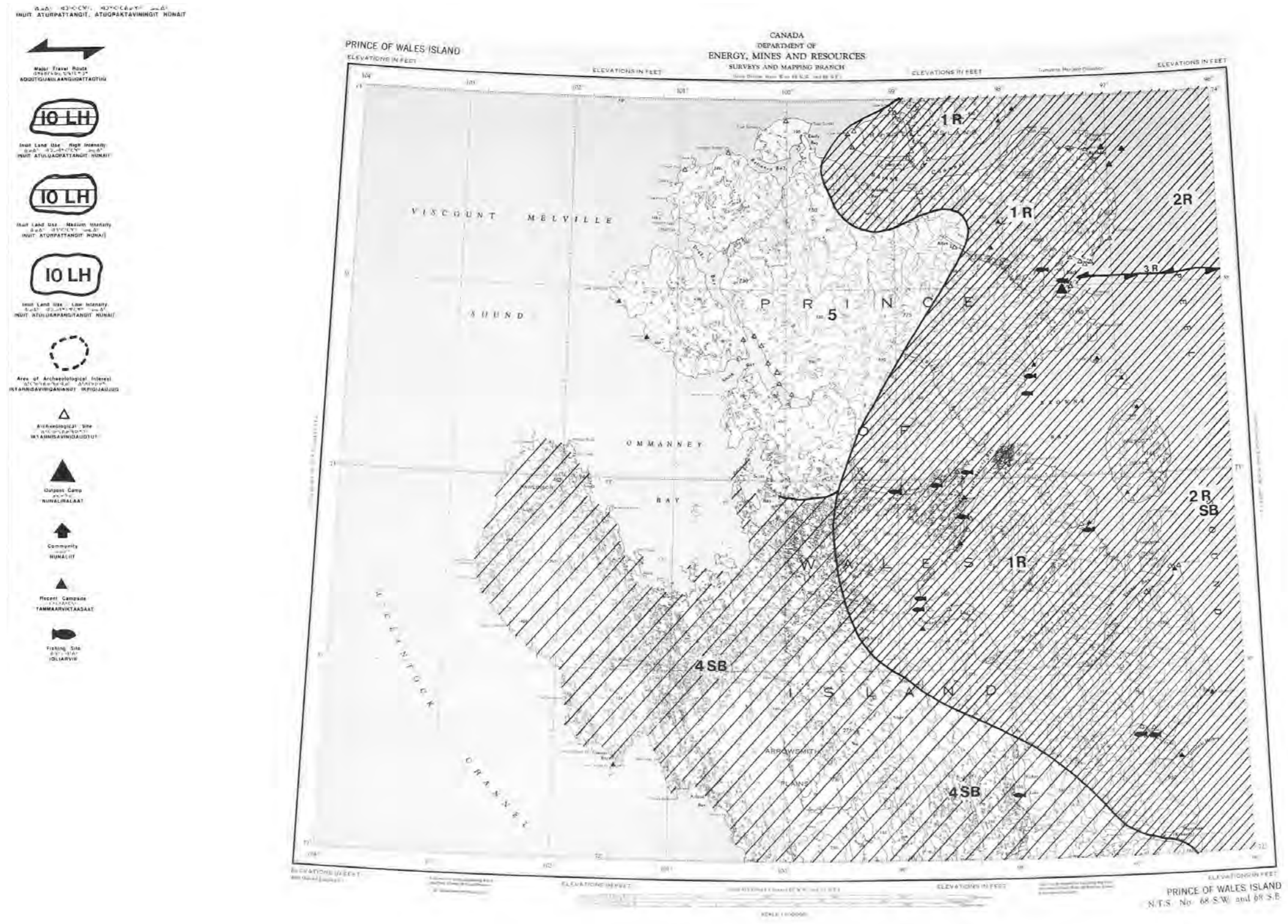




Figure 50. Wildlife Overlay map, Prince of Wales Island – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992



Figure 51. Landuse and Fishing map, Prince of Wales Island – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992

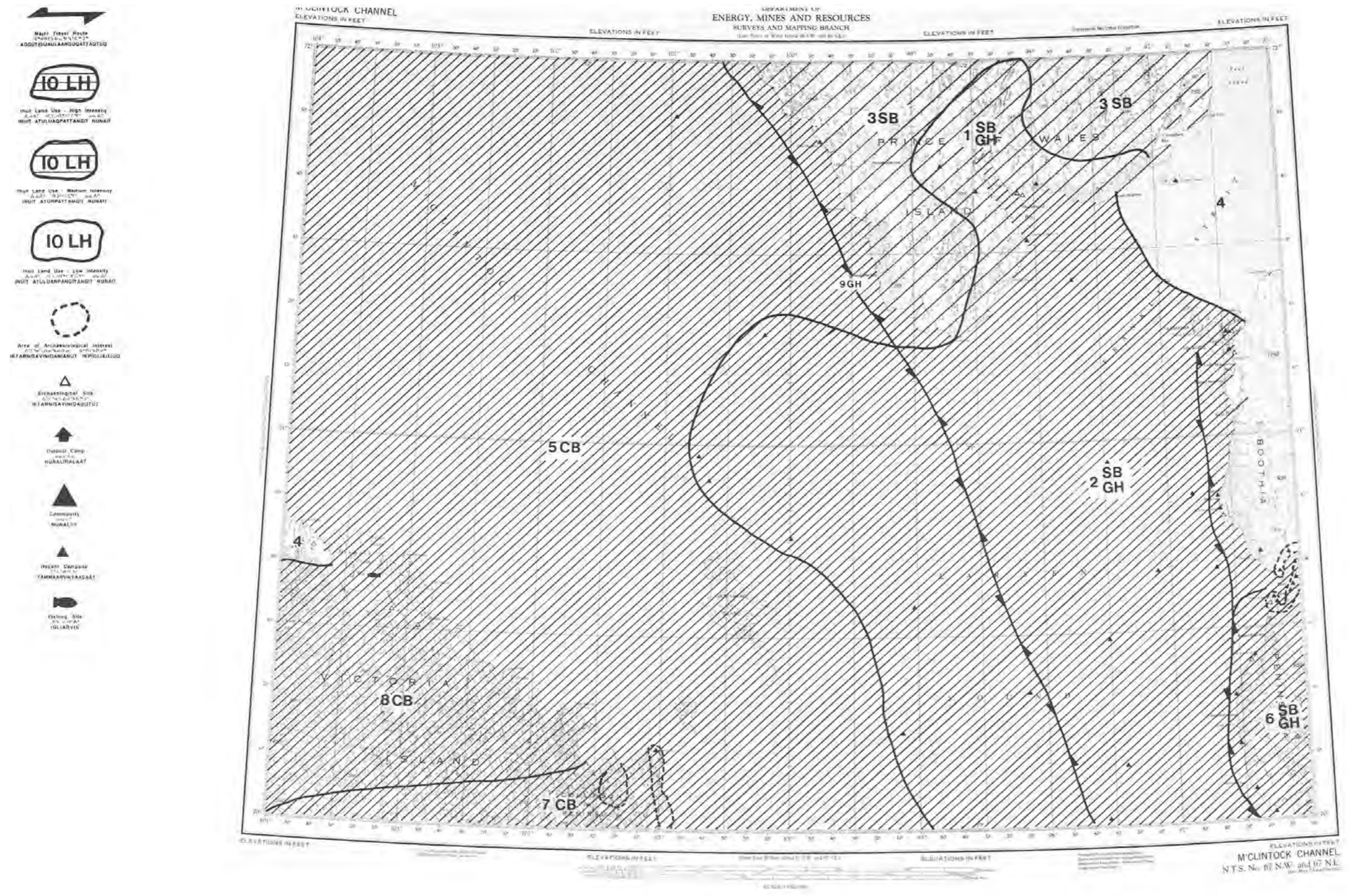
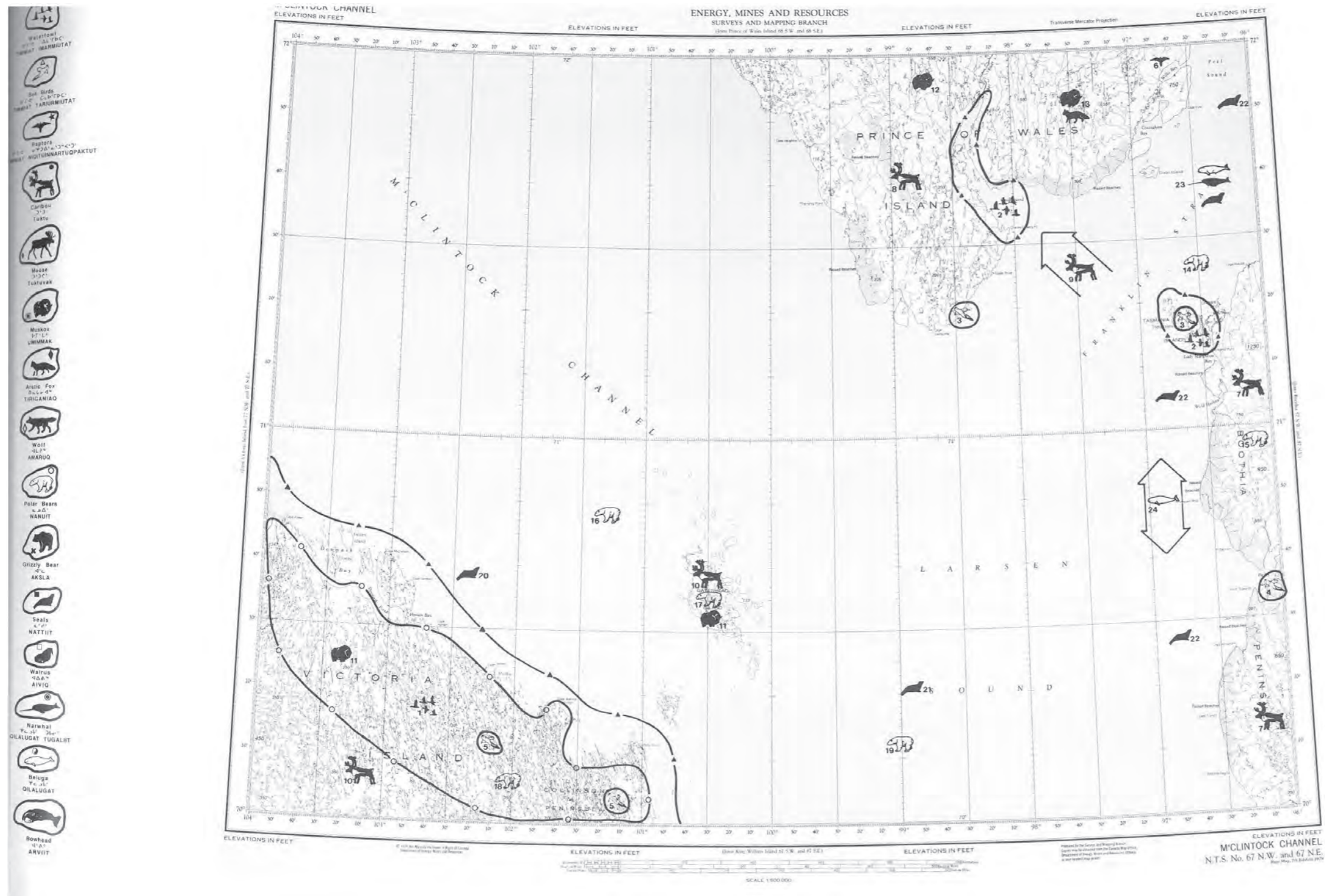




Figure 52. Wildlife Overlay map, M'Clintock Channel – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992



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Figure 53. Landuse and Fishing map, Boothia Peninsula – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992

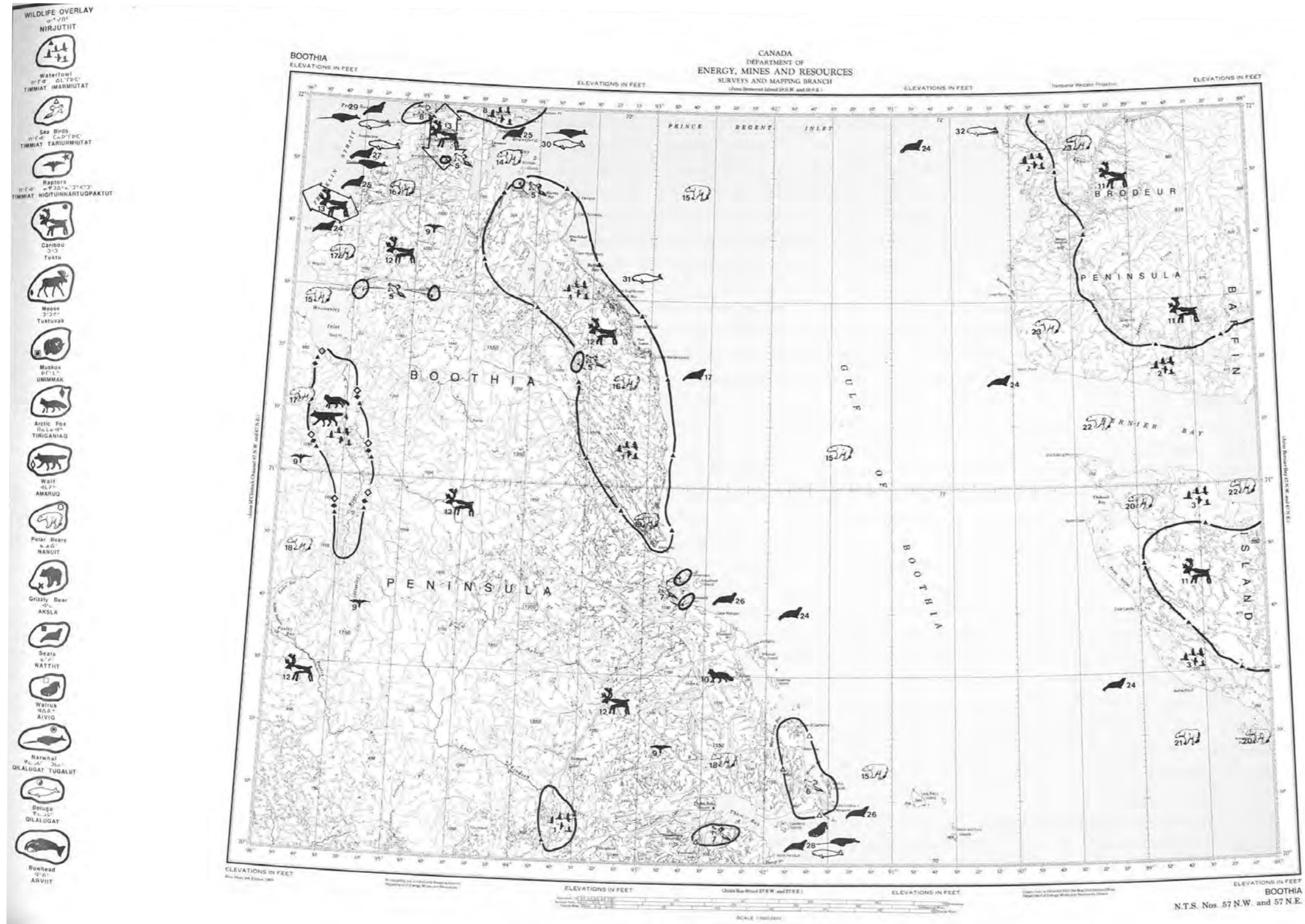




Figure 54. Wildlife Overlay map, Boothia Peninsula – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992



Figure 55. Landuse and Fishing map, Rae Strait – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992

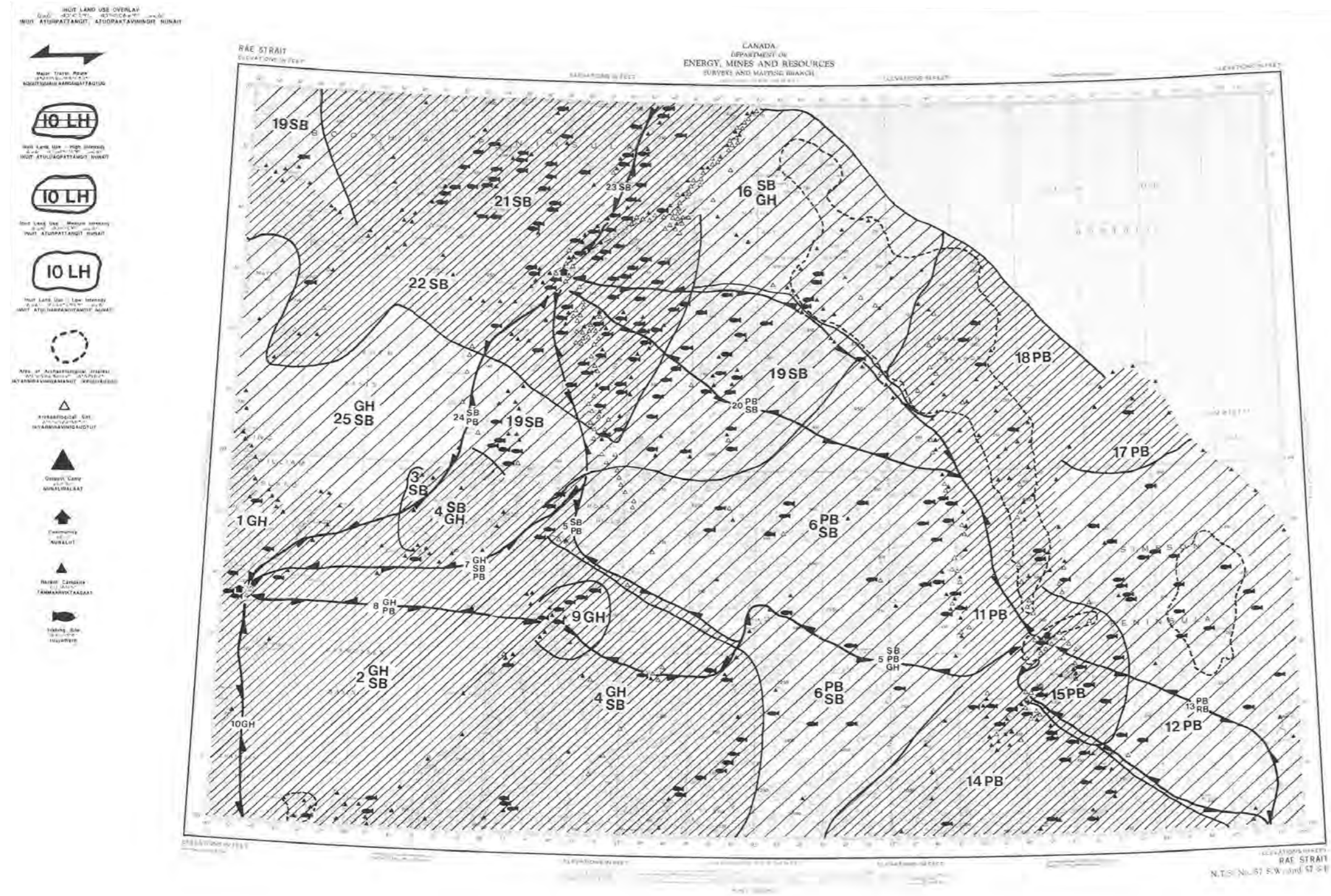


Figure 57. Landuse and Fishing map, Chantrey Inlet – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992

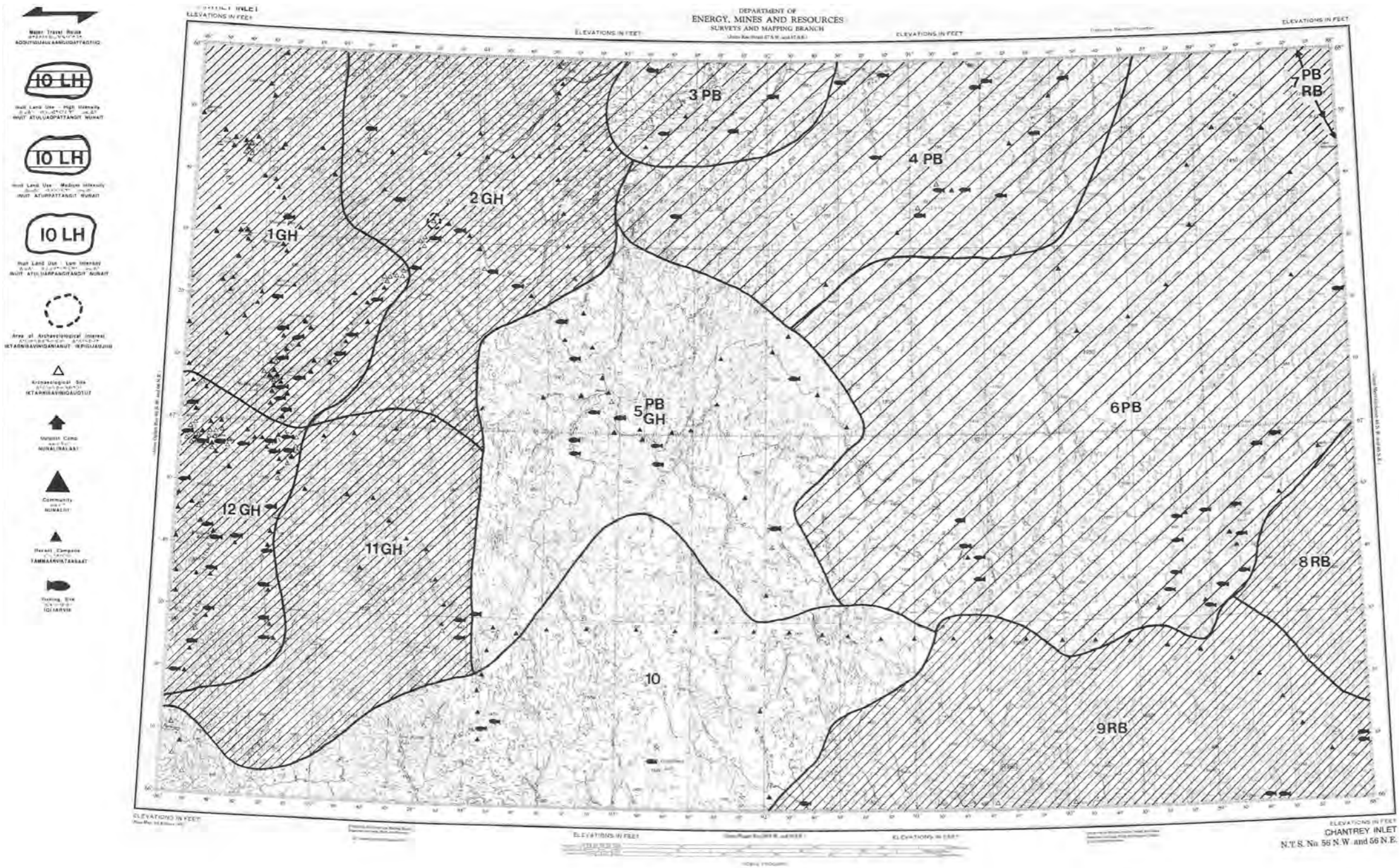




Figure 58. Wildlife Overlay map, Chantrey Inlet – excerpt from the Nunavut Atlas 1992



FINAL THOUGHTS

INTERVIEW PROCESS

The interview process was judged to be especially effective, even though both format and execution were quite relaxed. The process was well defined and the use of photos and maps ensured that the same material was considered from one interview to the next. This provided a solid, reproducible structure that encouraged rigor, permitted immediate interviewee inter-comparisons, and allows for future community assessments. Interviews took from 2.5-6 hours, depending on the depth of the individual's knowledge, the amount of marine-specific information they possessed, and the extent to which responses prompted supplementary questions. Since the process was focused on coastal resources, it generally excluded terrestrial mammals such as caribou, muskoxen, or arctic fox, while embracing polar bears and a broad array of birds that range widely over both coastal and terrestrial areas.

Despite general satisfaction with the process, some prior reservations warrant comment. First, the interview process was initially conducted in the present tense, with the implicit assumption that all responses were addressing contemporary, immediate or very recent experience with the species under discussion. However, unless explicitly excluded, the information offered may represent temporal integration of experiences over some indeterminate period. Hunters who have traveled and hunted these areas for decades could provide responses drawn from observations made indiscriminately in the short, medium, or long term. For these reasons, interviewees were routinely informed that contemporary data was those observations made since 2005, and data offered from observations before that date should be accompanied with an indication of the observation date. These latter observations were analyzed, identified, and archived independently of contemporary data.

A second issue addresses the designation "Everywhere". Sometimes an interviewee, in response to a question about an animal's distribution, indicated that they were observed to be present "Everywhere". This is a very subjective descriptor that, without additional qualifiers, is not very useful. Essentially, it refers to the geographic extent of the respondent's knowledge, and unless that knowledge is further defined, its utility is limited. Consequently, all interviewees were asked at some point to delineate the extent of their travels. That information was recorded and subsequently displayed (see Figure 5) where it can be located and used to identify what is meant by "Everywhere" for a specific interviewee.

MAPS AND DATA

Given the broad geographic reach of the interviewees' responses, the map format was chosen to provide a synoptic view of the collected data. Every effort was made to keep a common scale for all maps in this document, in order to permit comparisons between maps. For some species, the scale showed the breadth of the distribution and the inter-connectedness of seemingly disparate locations; while for others, especially where distributions were modest or localized, the advantages were less obvious.

The scale used in maps obtained from the *Nunavut Atlas* (1992) is larger because the geographic area of interest is smaller. In addition, one must keep in mind that the data collected for the *Nunavut Atlas* was actually collected in the early 1970s and represents conditions that were extant 35 years ago. This is particularly relevant for Taloyoak since the middle-aged and elders of that time would have recorded memories prior to community establishment in 1948. Some comparisons are possible but they must be made with caution.

One of the key objectives of the Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory (NCRI) is to detect changes in species composition associated with climate change. As such, species identified by interviewees were respected as provided even if some species are not normally reported in the region (e.g., Bull Trout, Broad Whitefish, Rainbow

Smelt and Atlantic Cod). IQ shared by participants remains the most current and authoritative source of information available for the arctic.

Harvest data available from the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB) Study (NWMB 2004) is not represented in this report. The difference between these two studies is that the NCRI was attempting to ascertain the qualitative geographic distribution of species while the NWMB's primary concern was harvest statistics. Additional inventories should, where possible, document harvest data in the study area.

The present dataset was never conceived as a stand-alone product. It represents a snapshot in time of observations made by individuals within a community who have considerable experience hunting, fishing, and trapping in the region surrounding Taloyoak. These data are considered within the context provided by other studies but have limitations, just as those that preceded it. For a full picture it is necessary to view these findings as one of many complementary datasets.

GOVERNANCE

Collection of resource information through the process of IQ interviews can have many different values for a community, including cultural, social, historical, and economic. All of these, with the exception of the economic value, are more or less self-evident. However, translating a living marine resource into an economic benefit, while simultaneously addressing the issue of sustainability, requires some consideration of resource governance.

Acquiring knowledge about available resources can be empowering and the acquisition of those resources could lead to prosperity and well-being. The NCRI attempts to identify the location and abundance of mammals, fish, birds, invertebrates, and plants for a number of reasons, including the potential for economic development. However, the exploitation of a resource requires considered decision-making, a reasonable definition of expectations and limits, empowerment of individuals, and accountability. In other

words, a sustainable approach to resource utilization requires a vision or goals, coupled with an implementation plan. The resource should be thoughtfully governed from the outset.

COMBINING INUIT QAUJIMAJATUQANGIT AND SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE

Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ) is unique in that it is qualitative, intuitive, holistic, spiritual, empirical, personal, and often based on a long time-series of observations (Mholler et al. 2004). Some of these characteristics are often cited as limitations, due to the reliance on long-term memory or that it is subjective. Conversely, IQ is particularly useful for recording historical data that are unattainable in any other manner. A complementary coupling of IQ and scientific knowledge may provide a means to better understand and manage coastal resources. This combination of knowledge may produce important synergies resulting in a very powerful tool.

The scientific approach embraces all available evidence and postulates a theory that attempts to predict future changes. The accuracy of the prediction is a measure of the completeness of scientific knowledge. Understanding the reasons for change is important because that information is central to any attempt to mitigate or influence long term effects, such as climate change. Addressing the root cause is a more certain approach than attempting to influence the symptoms. A critical factor in the scientific method is the availability and reliability of data available for analysis. The Arctic, because of its size, complexity, and human resource limitations, often does not have an adequate supply of scientific observations. However, one underutilized data source is traditional knowledge where species, locations, processes, and events have been monitored for generations. By bringing traditional knowledge and science together into a complementary working relationship there will be significant benefits for all stakeholders.



CLIMATE CHANGE

Over the past 20 years, an increasing number of arctic researchers have commented on the possibility of climate change and the predicted impacts on the marine environment (Tynan and DeMaster 1997, Michel et al. 2006, Ford et al. 2008a and 2008b, Moore and Huntington 2008, IPCC 2014). Many changes may occur in recurrent open water sites, with the potential to affect various coastal resources. Specific impacts can be expected on water stratification and its role in nutrient renewal, the balance between multi-year and annual ice, the duration and location of open water, and the impacts of tidal mixing and topographic upwelling. These physical changes could then influence the marine food web through the prevalence of ice algae, the timing and magnitude of primary and secondary production, and changes in the distribution, abundance, and success of traditional species. In other words, we expect changes to occur in our physical world that could alter the biological system, including the human component.

The Nunavut Coastal Resource Inventory initiative was undertaken to provide information that could inform decision-making in the areas of resource management, economic development, conservation, environmental assessment, and the mitigation of anticipated climate change effects. In order to be effective, each intervention will require baseline resource information plus knowledge about the factors that are driving change. Assessment of environmental change will be considered for both direct human activity (resource extraction) and significant systemic changes (climate change). Climate change will exert its influence through warmer average temperatures, altered wind patterns, changes in precipitation, increasing freshwater input, and modified ocean circulation. Alteration of these factors will directly affect the physical marine environment and, ultimately, coastal marine resources as well. In order to mitigate, ameliorate, or influence these anticipated changes a considerable amount of information about the factors that drive both the physical and biological environments, as well as their

interconnectedness is required. There are two immediate sources for that information: traditional ecological knowledge and scientific knowledge.

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APPENDIX 1

INTERVIEWEE BIOGRAPHIES

| INTERVIEWEE CODE | NAME | BIOGRAPHY |
|------------------|------------------|---|
| Tayk_1_0314 | James Aiyout | Born in Cambridge Bay in 1964, James grew up in the region of Thom Bay and moved to Taloyoak in 1968 where he has lived since. James has been fishing and hunting since he was five or six years of age and continues to do so year-round, whenever possible. |
| Tayk_2_0314 | Willy Mannilaq | Born in Yellowknife in 1968, Willy grew up in the Taloyoak region. Willy spent a year Yellowknife and nine years in Cambridge Bay since 1998, settling in the community of Taloyoak in 2009. Willy has been hunting and fishing since he was five or six years of age and is still an active harvester. |
| Tayk_2_0314 | Sara Jayko | Sara was born in Yellowknife in 1968. She has lived in the Taloyoak region all of her life and has been hunting and fishing for as long as she can remember. She continues to be an active harvester. |
| Tayk_3_0314 | John Ukuqtunnaq | John was born in Cambridge Bay in 1960. John spent eleven or twelve years of his youth living in Gjoa Haven, and has resided in Taloyoak since. John began hunting and fishing when he was ten years old and continues to actively harvest year-round. |
| Tayk_4_0314 | Elizabeth Aiyout | Elizabeth was born in 1959 in Taloyoak and has lived in or near the community all of her life. She learned to hunt from her mother since her childhood, and has been hunting with her husband and his family for the past twenty years. She continues to actively harvest today. |
| Tayk_5_0314 | George Alak | Born at Redfish Lake in 1965, George has lived and hunted in and around Taloyoak for as long as he can remember. He continues to actively harvest in the spring, summer and fall. |

| INTERVIEWEE CODE | NAME | BIOGRAPHY |
|------------------|-------------------|--|
| Tayk_6_0314 | Joseph Kingatook | Joseph was born on the ice near Pasley Bay in 1940. Shortly after the community of Taloyoak was established in the 1950s, he moved into the community with his family. He has hunted and fished all his life, stopping only recently in 2013 due to health concerns. |
| Tayk_7_0314 | Isaac Panigyak | Isaac was born in the Thom Bay region in 1950. He grew up travelling along the eastern coast of the Boothia Peninsula from Fort Ross to Thom Bay. Isaac has been hunting and fishing since he was a youth (12 years old) and continues to be an active harvester year-round. |
| Tayk_8_0314 | Simon Oleekatalik | Born in Gjoa Haven in 1942, Simon grew up in or near Gjoa Haven, Inglis Bay and Murchison Lake before moving to Taloyoak when he was a young man of nineteen or twenty. He has lived in Taloyoak since. As he has since his youth, he continues to hunt and fish with his wife year-round. |
| Tayk_8_0314 | Nee Oleekatalik | Born at Fort Ross in 1942, Nee grew up on the land along the eastern coastline of the Boothia Peninsula between Fort Ross and Lord Mayor Bay. She has been living in Taloyoak since 1961. She continues to be an active harvester year-round with her husband, Simon. |
| Tayk_9_0314 | Abe Ukuqtunnaq | Abe was born south of Gjoa Haven, near Kaleet Lake in 1944. The first five years of his life were spent on the Back River system and Franklin Lake. When he was five he and his family moved to Taloyoak. He began hunting when he was ten years of age and continues to harvest year-round. |

APPENDIX 2

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CWS – CANADIAN WILDLIFE SERVICE

DFO – DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND OCEANS

DOE – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

GIS – GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

HTO – HUNTER/TRAPPER ORGANIZATION

ILUOP – INUIT LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY PROJECT

IQ – INUIT QAUJIMAJATUQANGIT

IPCC – INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE

NCRI – NUNAVUT COASTAL RESOURCE INVENTORY

NRI – NUNAVUT RESEARCH INSTITUTE

NWMB – NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD



APPENDIX 3 BIRD EVALUATION

| SPECIES | GODFREY (1986) L SNYDER (1957) R | RICHARDS AND WHITE (2008) | CWS | ALLEN (1978) | FRASER (1957) | ELLIS (1956) | HINES ET AL, (2003) | I.B.A. | SHORTT AND PETERS (1942) | JOHNSTON ET AL, (2000) | LGL | MISC. | NCRI INTERVIEW | COMMENTS ON NCRI INTERVIEW(S) |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|-------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Gr. White-fronted Goose | | MB | x | x | | | B | B | | B | B | | x | as expected |
| Snow Goose | B B | MB | x | x | | | | B | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Brant | B B | MB | | x | | | | | | | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Cackling Goose | | MB | | | | | B | | | | | B | x | as expected |
| Canada Goose | B B | MB | x | x | x | | | | x | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Tundra Swan | B B | MB | x | x | x | | B | B | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Northern Pintail | | MB | x | x | | | | | | x | x | | | surprised not seen |
| Green-winged Teal | | MB | | | | | | | | | x | | | |
| Long-tailed Duck | B B | MBw | x | x | B | x | B | | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| King Eider | B B | MB | x | x | B | B | B | B | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Common Eider | B B | MBw | | x | | | | | | | | x | | surprised not seen |
| Harlequin Duck | | A | | | | | | | x | | | | | |
| Red-breasted Merganser | | MB | | x | | | | | x | x | x | | | surprised not seen |
| Willow Ptarmigan | B B | PB | | | | | | | | | x | | x | as expected |
| Rock Ptarmigan | B B | PB | | x | x | x | | | | B | B | | x | as expected |
| Red-throated Loon | B B | MB | x | x | B | x | B | | B | B | B | | s | surprised not seen |
| Pacific Loon | B B | MB | x | x | B | | B | B | | B | B | | x | as expected |
| Common Loon | | | | | | | | | x | | | | | |
| Yellow-billed Loon | B B | MB | | x | x | x | | | x | | B | x | x | as expected |
| Rough-legged Hawk | B B | MB | x | x | B | B | | | | B | B | | | |
| Golden Eagle | | MB | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gyr Falcon | B B | PB | | | | | | | x | | | | x | as expected |
| Peregrine Falcon | B B | MB | x | x | B | x | | B | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| American Coot | | A | | | | | | | x | | | x | | |
| Sandhill Crane | B B | MB | x | x | | | B | | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Black-bellied Plover | B B | MB | x | x | x | | | B | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| American Golden-Plover | B B | MB | x | x | | x | | B | | B | B | x | x | as expected |

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| Semipalmated Plover | B B | MB | x | | B | | | | x | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Ruddy Turnstone | B B | MB | | x | | | | | | x | B | | | surprised not seen |
| Red Knot | B | MB | | | | | | | | | | | x | ok |
| Sanderling | B | MB | | | B | | | | | | B | | | |
| Semipalmated Sandpiper | B B | MB | x | x | | | | B | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Least Sandpiper | | MB | | x | | | | | | | | x | | ok |
| White-rumped Sandpiper | B B | MB | x | x | x | | | B | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Baird's Sandpiper | B B | MB | x | x | x | | | | | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Pectoral Sandpiper | | MB | x | x | | | | B | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Purple Sandpiper | | | | | | | | | x | | x | | | |
| Dunlin | B B | MB | x | x | | | | | | B | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Stilt Sandpiper | | MB | x | | | | | | | B | x | x | | surprised not see |
| Buff-breasted Sandpiper | B | MB | x | | | | | | | x | B | | x | as expected |
| Wilson's Snipe | | MB | | | | | | | | | | x | | |
| Red-necked Phalarope | | | | | | | | | B | | B | | | |
| Red Phalarope | B B | MB | x | x | | | | B | x | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Black-legged Kittiwake | | V | | | | | | | x | | | | | |
| Sabine's Gull | B | Mb | | x | | | | B | | x | B | x | | see note end of report |
| Ivory Gull | | A | | | x | | | | | | | | | |
| Ross's Gull | | V | | | | | | | | | | x | | |
| Herring Gull | B | MB | x | | x | | | | | | x | | x | as expected |
| Thayer's Gull | | MB | x | x | | | B | | | x | x | | x | as expected |
| Iceland Gull | B | V | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Glaucous Gull | B B | MB | x | x | B | B | B | x | x | x | B | | x | as expected |
| Arctic Tern | B B | MB | | x | x | | B | | x | x | B | | x | as expected |
| Pomarine Jaeger | | MB | | | x | x | | | | | B | | x | as expected |
| Parasitic Jaeger | B B | MB | x | x | | | | | | B | B | | Unsure. | |
| Long-tailed Jaeger | B B | MB | x | x | B | | | | | x | B | | x | as expected |



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| Thick-billed Murre | | V | | | | | | | x | | | | x | ok |
| Black Guillemot | | MBw | | | | | | | x | | | | | |
| Snowy Owl | B B | PB | | x | B | x | | | x | x | | | x | as expected |
| Short-eared Owl | | | | | | | | | | | x | | x | as expected |
| Common Raven | B B | MB | x | x | x | | | | x | x | x | | x | as expected |
| Horned Lark | B B | MB | | x | | | | | x | x | B | x | | surprised not seen |
| Tree Swallow | | V | | | | | | | | | | x | | |
| Northern Wheatear | B | MB | | | | | | | | | | x | | |
| Varied Thrush | | - | | | | | | | | | | x | | |
| American Pipit | B B | MB | | x | | x | | | x | | x | | | surprised not seen |
| Lapland Longspur | B B | MB | x | x | B | | | | x | B | B | x | x | as expected |
| Snow Bunting | B B | MB | x | x | x | x | | | x | x | B | | x | as expected |
| Savannah Sparrow | | | | | | | | | | | x | | | |
| White-throated Sparrow | | | | | | | | | | | x | | | |
| Harris's Sparrow | | | | | | | | | | | x | | | |
| White-crowned Sparrow | | MB | | | | | | | x | | | | | |
| Hoary Redpoll | B | MB | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Black Guillemot | B B | x | | | B | | B | B | B | x | ok | | | |
| Snowy Owl | B B | x | B | | B | B | x | B | b | x | ok | | | |
| Short-eared Owl | b | x | x | | | | | | | x | ok. uncommon | | | |
| Eastern Kingbird | | | x | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Raven | B | x | x | | | x | x | B | x | x | ok | | | |
| Horned Lark | B B | x | x | | | b | B | B | x | x | ok | | | |
| Tree Swallow | | x | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| Bank Swallow | | x | | | | | | | | x | ok. rare | | | |
| Barn Swallow | | x | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northern Wheatear | | x | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hermit Thrush | | | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| American Robin | | x | | | | | | | | x | ok. rare | | | |
| European Starling | | | x | | | | | | | | | | | |
| American Pipit | B B | x | | | | x | | B | B | x | ok | | | |

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| Lapland Longspur | B B | x | B | B | | B | B | B | B | x | ok | | | |
| Snow Bunting | B B | x | B | | | B | B | B | B | x | ok | | | |
| Yellow Warbler | | | x | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Palm Warbler | | x | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Yellow-rumped Warbler | | x | x | | | | | x | | x | ok. uncommon | | | |
| Savannah Sparrow | | x | x | | | | | x | | | | | | |
| Lincoln's Sparrow | | x | x | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White-throated Sparrow | | x | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White-crowned Sparrow | | x | | | | | | | | x | ok. uncommon | | | |
| Dark-eyed Junco | | x | x | | | | | x | x | x | ok | | | |
| Common Redpoll | B B | x | B | | | | | x | x | x | ok | | | |
| Hoary Redpoll | B B | | B | | | | | B | x | | They don't seem to differentiate between Common and Hoary as expected | | | |

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NOTES ON BIRD EVALUATION

RICHARDS & WHITE CODES:

P = Present: all or part of the population present throughout the year

M = Migrant: migrates to/from or through the region on a regular basis

V = Vagrant: uncommon migrant, or outside of normal range

A = Accidental: rare; very few records

E = Extinct

B = Breeding confirmed: active nest or flightless young

b = Breeding suspected: pair in suitable habitat or in courtship

w = Winter records available when /where open water, ice floe-edge, polynyas exist

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Richards & White (2008) – denotes general status for the geographic area (ie; Arctic Islands (north of 60), James Bay Islands, or Mainland), and does not imply that a record exists for each species in the specific checklist area.

Names and arrangement according to: American Ornithologists Union Check-List of North American Birds, 1998, and annual Supplements

Codes for species list:

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b = breeding suspected

x = reliably observed

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