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NOTICE TO WAIVER HOLDERS

Date Issued: December 9, 2020

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Subject: No-Go Area in the Vicinity of Work Island in Princess Royal Channel

Geographic Area: Princess Royal Channel

Details: Waivered vessels transiting through Princess Royal Channel are requested to stay south of Work Island

Guideline: All waived vessels, including tugs and barges, and ATBs, transiting north or south of Princess Royal Channel are requested to follow the recommended course to the south of Work Island.

This request is from the Kitasoo/Xai'xais Stewardship Authority due to concerns about large numbers of humpback whales that congregate north of Work Island and into Klekane Inlet.

This is a request from the Kitasoo/Xai'xais Nation for voluntary adherence with the understanding that the route north of Work Island would still be available in the event of a navigational safety situation in utilizing the channel south of Work Island. In the event a mariner is forced to use the passage north of Work Island the vessel's speed should be kept to a minimum.

If there are any queries, concerns or a wish to further discuss these issues please feel free to contact me at oberkev@ppa.gc.ca or by telephone at 604-666-6771.

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Appendix A: Map of proposed No-Go Area north of Work Island

