

The Inuvialuit Regional Corporation (IRC) announces the launch of the Inuvialuit Settlement Region Energy Action Plan.

October 17, 2022 [INUVIK] - IRC has been actively engaging with Inuvialuit since early 2020 to develop a plan tailored towards each community in the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR) and their respective energy goals. The ISR Energy Action Plan (“the Action Plan”) provides a scheme of each ISR community’s energy landscape and proposes actions to confront challenges related to energy availability and cost by providing practical solutions to attain a more sustainable, inclusive, and healthy future to benefit the residents of the ISR. Five thematic areas for action were identified by Inuvialuit as focus areas for development and growth. Improvements within these objective areas will increase energy security, energy independence, and socio-economic benefits for Inuvialuit for generations to come.

The IRC would like to thank all Inuvialuit Beneficiaries and organizations for contributing their time and knowledge to support the creation of this Action Plan. We appreciate everyone who participated in engagement activities linked to this project in 2020 & 2021 through attending community meetings and providing feedback through public surveys. Feedback was received from members of Community Corporations, Elders Committees, Hunters and Trappers Committees, and the Regional Youth Advisory Group, among others. We would also like to acknowledge the Inuvialuit Petroleum Corporation (IPC) for providing feedback to ensure that this Action Plan is aligned with existing Inuvialuit energy goals and that we are all working collaboratively to achieve energy security in the ISR. We would like to extend our gratitude to IRC’s Communications Division for providing photos and editorial support. Finally, a special thank you to IRC’s Innovation, Inuvialuit Science, and Climate Change Division for leading the development of this Action Plan and managing its publication.

IRC would like to encourage community members and partners, academia, and industry to participate in the implementation of the actions list in this Action Plan. The Action Plan was derived from collaborative community voices, and in that spirit, we hope that the actions will be realized through community partnerships and collaboration.

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About the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation

Established in 1984 to manage the settlement outlined in the Inuvialuit Final Agreement (IFA), Inuvialuit Regional Corporation (IRC) represents the collective interests of Inuvialuit in and beyond the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR). The IRC works to continually improve the economic, social, and cultural wellbeing of the Inuvialuit through the implementation of the IFA and by all other available means.