



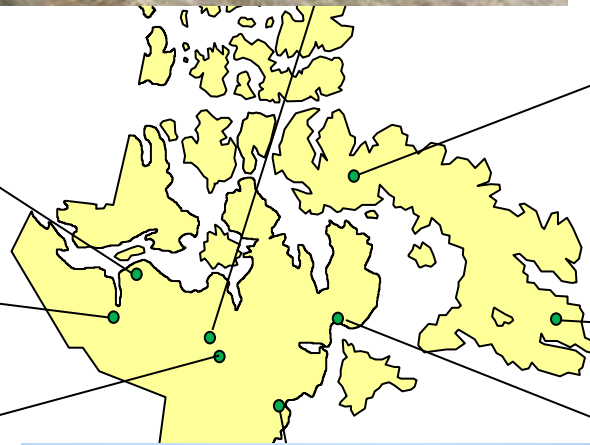
The Minerals Industry in Nunavut
– *Enhancing and protecting its benefits and potential is critical* –

To: NPC – Regional Public Hearings 2021 DNLUP

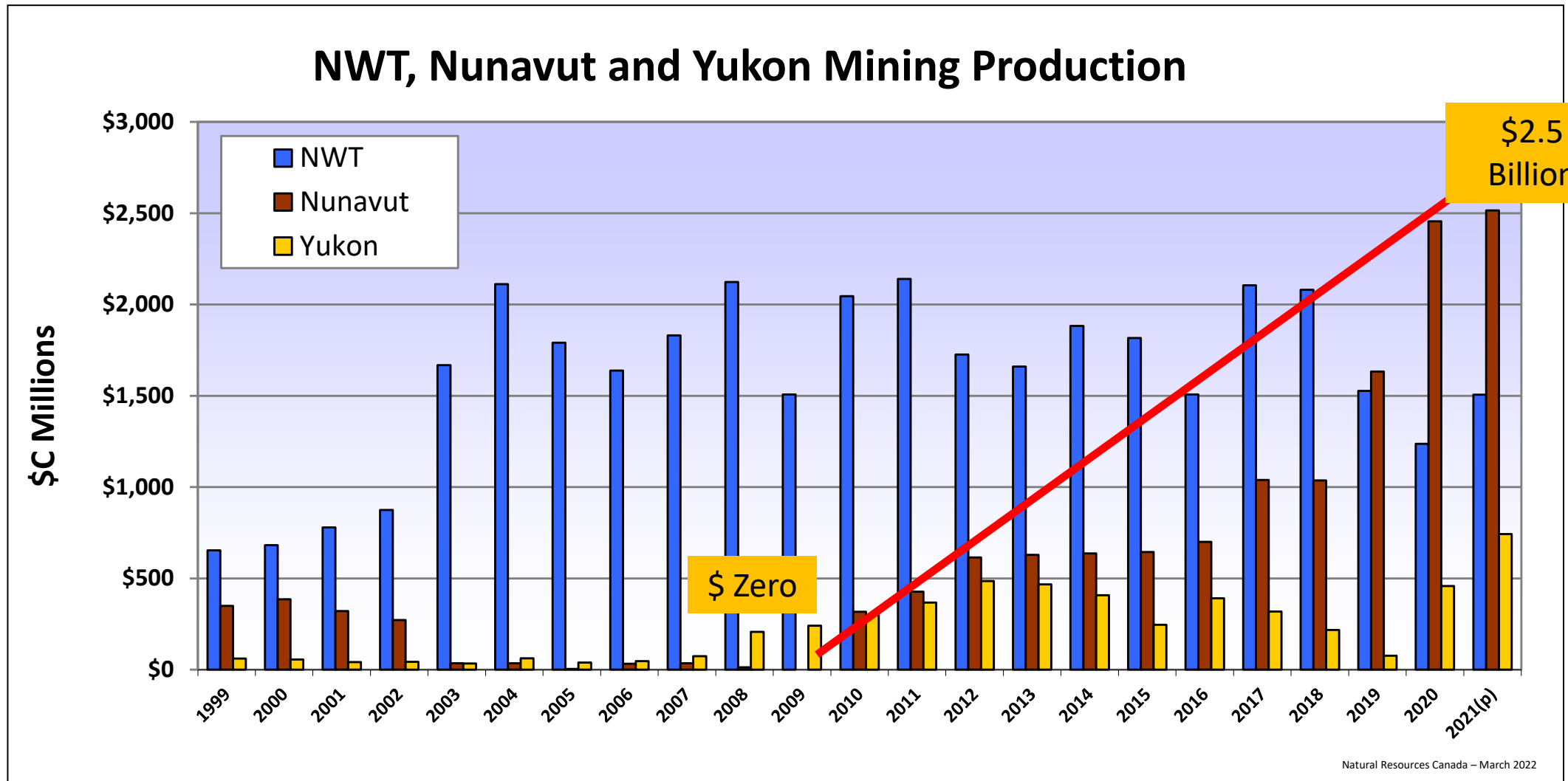
Who is the Chamber of Mines?

About	Mission	Vision
<p>Since 1967, champion and supporter of responsible northern mineral resource development</p> <p>We represent many members with interest in a strong Nunavut minerals industry, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mining & exploration Companies• Service & supply companies – both Indigenous and non-Indigenous• Individuals <p>2 Offices: Yellowknife, NT and Iqaluit, NU</p>	<p><i>To provide leadership on, and advocate for, responsible and sustainable mineral exploration and development in the NWT and Nunavut</i></p>	<p><i>A vibrant and sustainable exploration and mining industry in the NWT and Nunavut which has the support of the peoples of the North.</i></p>

Mining today: 4 Operating Mines and several Developing Projects



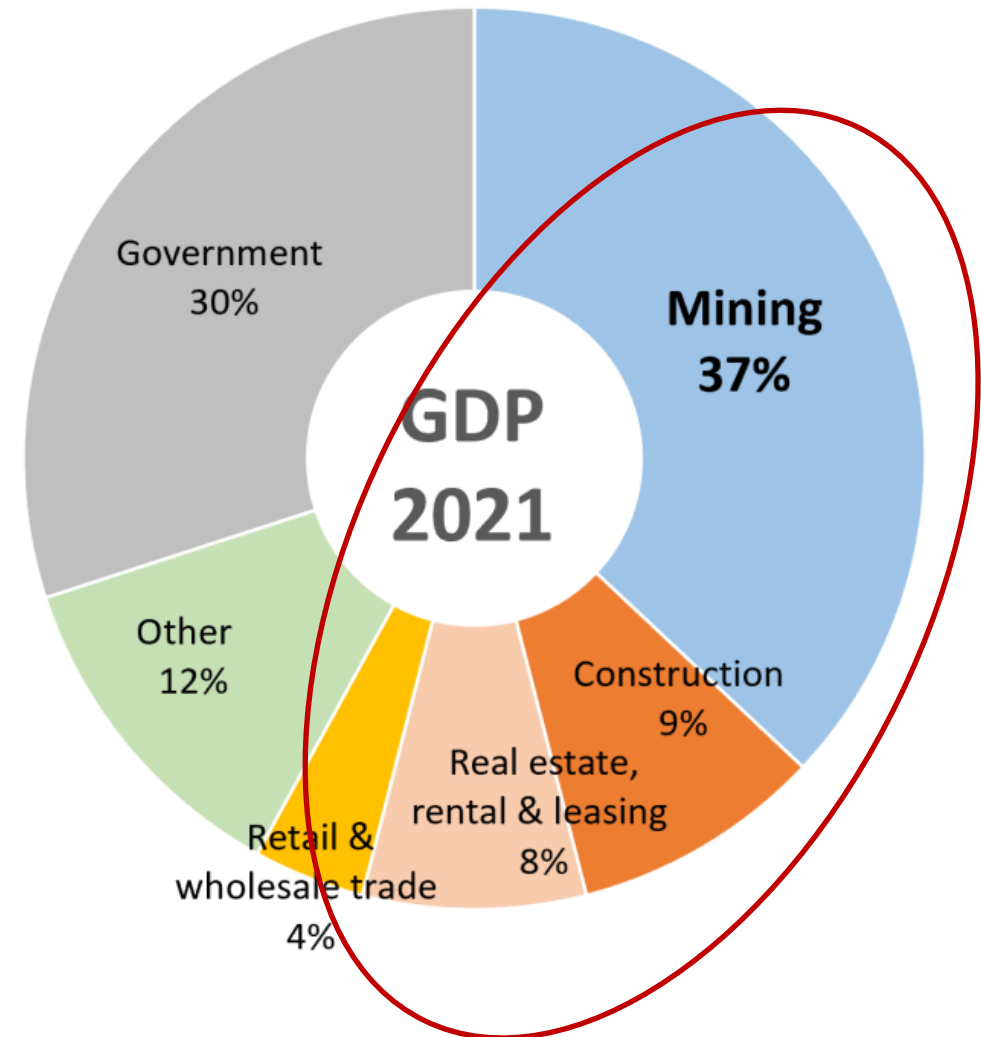
Value of Nunavut mining production continues to grow



- **Despite COVID, Nunavut production continued to increase significantly. NLCA Vision paying off.**
- **Markets helped Nunavut: Compare NWT, where COVID really damaged the diamond market**

Mining continues as the largest part of Nunavut's economy

- Direct mining contributions are very significant
- And mining adds more indirectly
 - through other sectors like construction, real estate, transportation, trade, etc.



Growing mining socio-economic benefits

Nunavut mining benefits (2009-2020)

- 30,000 person-years of employment
 - Average 19% northern/81% southern
 - 5,270 FTE jobs in 2020, down ~ 8% due to COVID
- \$10.8 Billion in business
 - \$5.2 Billion northern and Indigenous (48%)
- \$Billions in taxes and royalties to public and Inuit governments
- \$100's million dollars to communities in IBA payments, scholarships, donations, & community wellness projects

Source: Compilation of mines' annual socio-economic agreement data

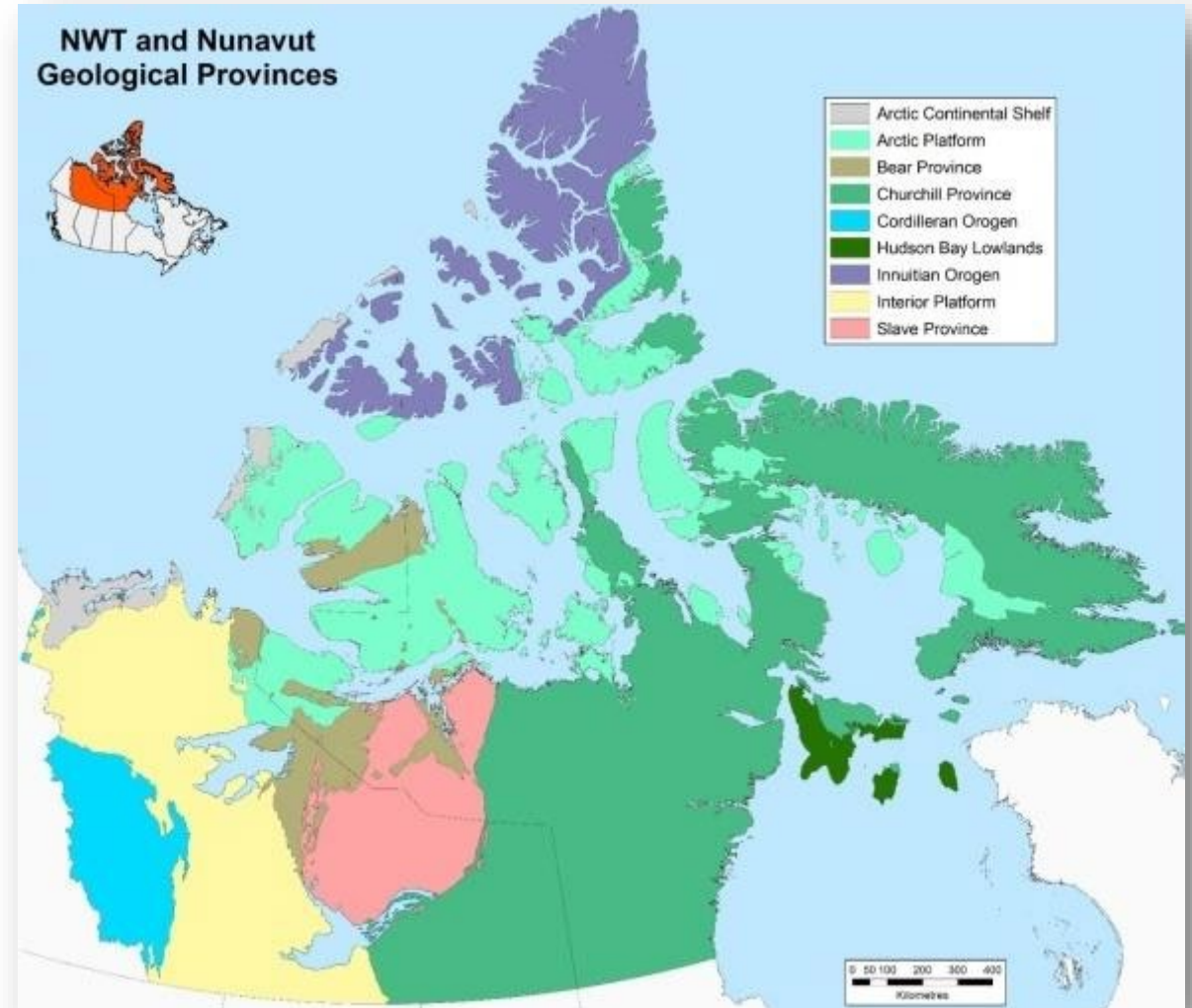


Significant growth in Nunavut mining supply businesses

- ABF Arctic
- ACASTA Heliflight
- AGLU Consulting & Training
- Akhaliak Consulting
- Arctic Fuels Ltd
- AV Nunavut Fuels
- Baker Lake Contracting & Supply
- Eskimo Point Lumber & Supply
- Forest North Aviation & Logistics
- Geotech Ekutak Ltd
- Inukshuk Construction
- Jago Services
- Kasuk Exploration
- Keewatin Piling Ltd
- Kiluk Ltd.
- Kissarvik Coop
- Kitikmeot BBE Expediting
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- Kitikmeot Camp Solutions
- Kitikmeot Caterers Ltd.
- Kitikmeot Cementation Mining & Develop't
- Kitikmeot Environmental Ltd
- Kitnuna
- Kivalliq Communications
- Kivalliq Contractors Group Ltd
- Kivalliq Expediting & Storage
- Kivalliq Mechanical Solutions
- Kivalliq Tire
- Kusugak Consulting
- M & T Enterprises
- Medic North Nunavut
- Nagjuk Incorporated
- Nahanni Nunavut Construction
- NEAS Inc.
- >NNL Moreau Ltd
- Northern Networks Ltd
- Northwest Company
- NU Environmental
- Numani Stantec Ltd
- Nuna Group of Companies
- Nuna West Mining Ltd
- Nunamiut Lodge
- Nunavut MacLean Inc.
- Nunavut Sealift & Supply Inc.
- Nunavut Semi Construction Inc.
- Nunavut Talbon Construction Ltd
- Nunavut Welding and Fabrication
- Nuqsana Baril
- Nuqsana Golder Eng & Env Consulting
- Nuqsana Promec
- Oomilik Enterprises
- Orica Canada
- PEL Drilling Ltd
- Peter's Expediting
- Qaaqtuq Dyno Nobel Inc.
- Qikiqtani Industry Ltd.
- Qillaq Innovations
- R&T Cleaning Ent
- Sakku Enterprises
- Sarliaq CMAC Inc.
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- Sarliaq Holdings
- Savik Construction Corp
- Summit Air Kitikmeot Ltd
- Tangmaarvik
- Toromont Arctic

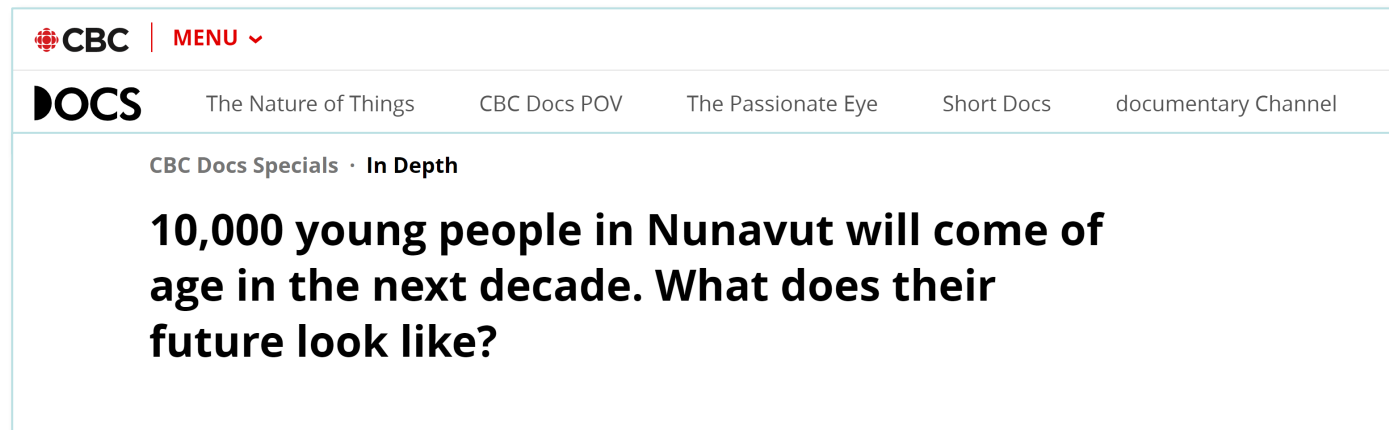
Nunavut has significant mineral opportunity potential

- The North is as large as Europe
- Great variety in geology
- Diverse mineralogy
 - Gold, silver, diamonds, lead, zinc, uranium, tungsten, rare earths, cobalt, bismuth, nickel, copper, iron, etc.
- Under-mapped & remote means under-explored
- Odds of rich discoveries are high
- Equals tremendous opportunity



Nunavut will need to harness that resource potential

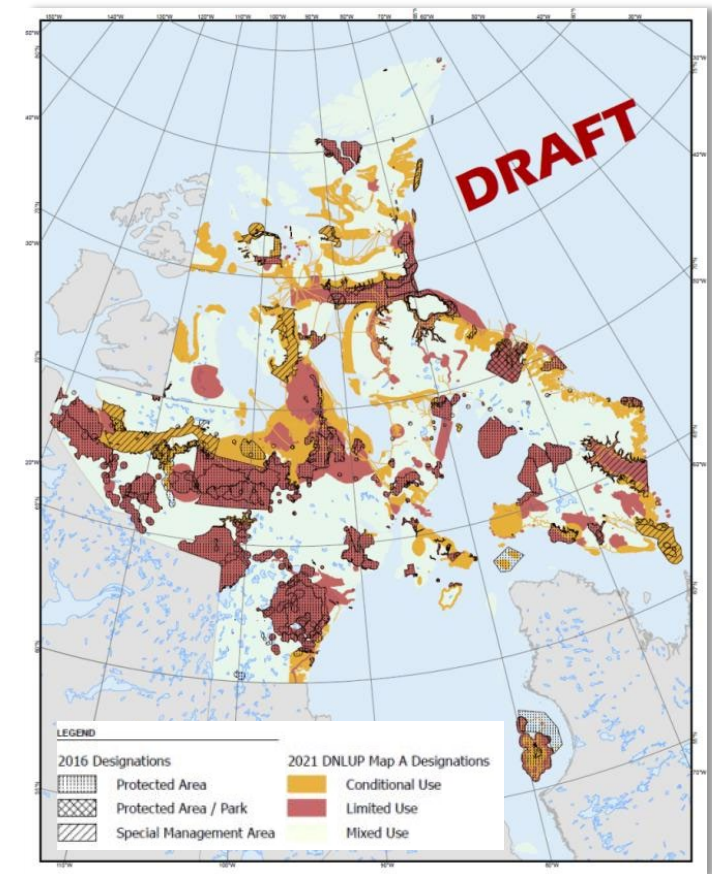
- Nunavut is in a period of significant population growth
- It is also under-served with healthcare, housing, jobs, infrastructure, energy, etc.
- Harnessing further mineral potential will be required to help Nunavut become more self-reliant, providing resources to help government support healthy communities
- Devolution requires the GN to move to a position of economic strength
- The current DNLUP will not help



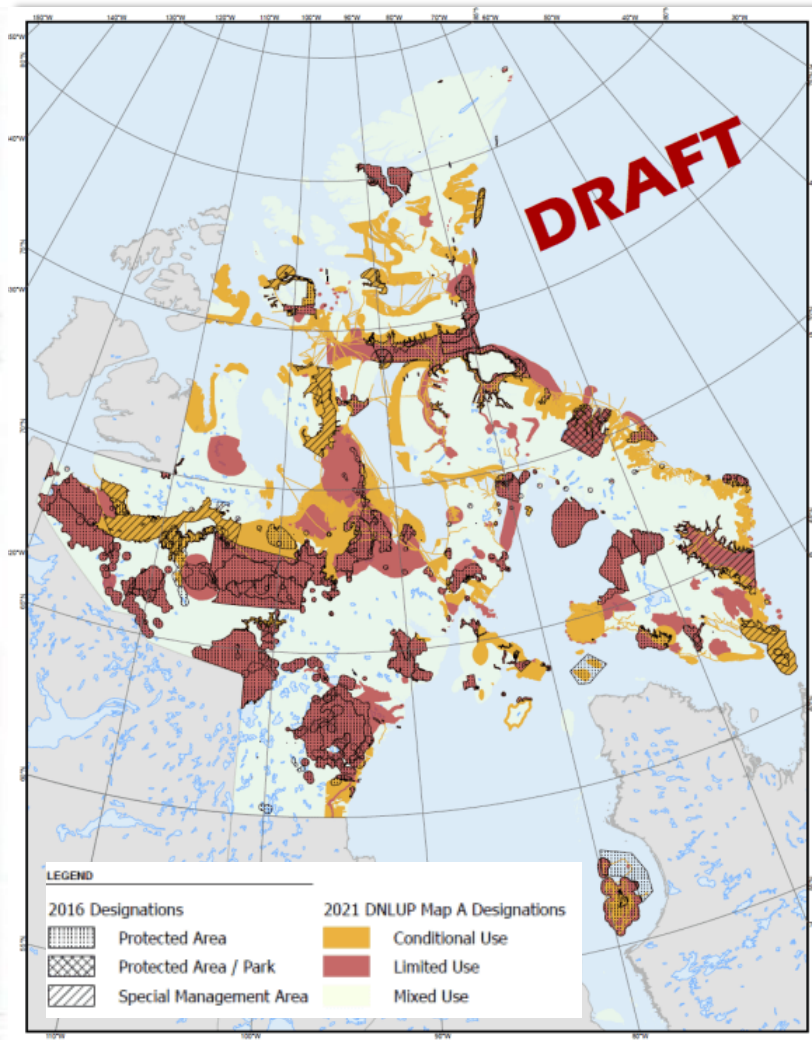
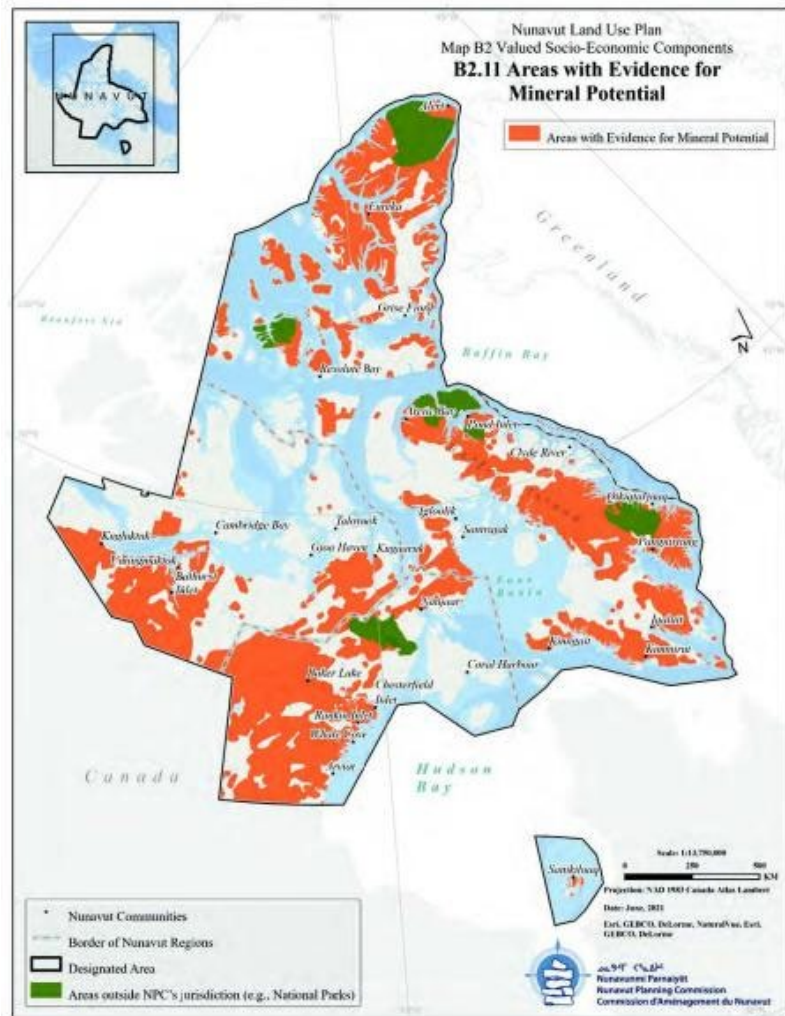
The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the CBC website. It includes the CBC logo, a 'MENU' dropdown, and a 'DOCS' section with links to 'The Nature of Things', 'CBC Docs POV', 'The Passionate Eye', 'Short Docs', and 'documentary Channel'. Below this, there is a sub-section for 'CBC Docs Specials · In Depth' featuring a bold headline: '10,000 young people in Nunavut will come of age in the next decade. What does their future look like?'

But ... not with this DNLUP

- Huge Limited Use designation
 - Prohibits new exploration & mining; constrains existing mineral rights
 - Negatively affects major infrastructure corridors required by Nunavut – roads, hydropower
- Conditional Use adds seasonal restrictions
- Significant concerns include:
 - Compromises development on Crown lands, and Inuit Owned Lands hard negotiated for in the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement
 - Affects existing projects
 - Creates investment uncertainty for future development
 - Grandparenting is overly restrictive
 - Undermines Nunavut’s co-management regulatory system
 - Overly prescriptive for “first generation LUP”
 - Will affect Nunavut today and after devolution



Nature of the problem – mineral potential is at risk



- Note: Mineral potential was also assessed prior to the recent world focus on critical minerals

Our recommendations

- Make this first Nunavut-wide LUP simple and beneficial with a better balance between land development and land protection
 - Future iterations can be more nuanced
- Significantly reduce the Limited and Conditional Use designations
 - Use only where absolutely necessary and no other option would produce the desired outcome. Preferred use of Land Use Policy Option 4 outlined in the 2021 O&R to provide clear guidance to Inuit land owners and IPG's in the valued components associated with land use in specific areas.
- Leave the conditions of usage on the remaining lands to Inuit organizations, the NIRB and NWB
- Publish all environmental values gathered to date in a guide to land users and managers
 - This will help inform IPGs, land managers and resource developers what's important and the actions required by all to protect valued ecosystem components

We need a LUP that helps support continued development opportunities and success!

