

LGA STUDY BRIEF F

WHAPMAGOOSTUI/KUUJJUARAPIK HARBOUR

The Grande Alliance memorandum of understanding identified the Whapmagoostui area as potential host for a deep-water port. The pre-feasibility study conducted in 2021-2022 proposed a change to a seasonal harbour due to two factors:

1. The market survey and cargo forecast results show that expected demand in short- to mid- term future is insufficient to sustain a deep-water port investment.
2. The recent landslide upstream Great Whale River and the perceived risk of excessive sedimentation could lead to the existing natural beach harbour to become unusable for port purposes.

PROPOSED SITE LOCATION



The study team used 5 technical criteria to identify the most optimal location for the harbour:

Topography

Ice conditions

Water levels

Sediments

Meteorological and oceanographic conditions

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The Study Briefs are publications that highlight key findings from the transport infrastructure feasibility studies. The studied components presented are to be considered as proposals, and will remain as such until impacted communities agree to move to another round of studies.

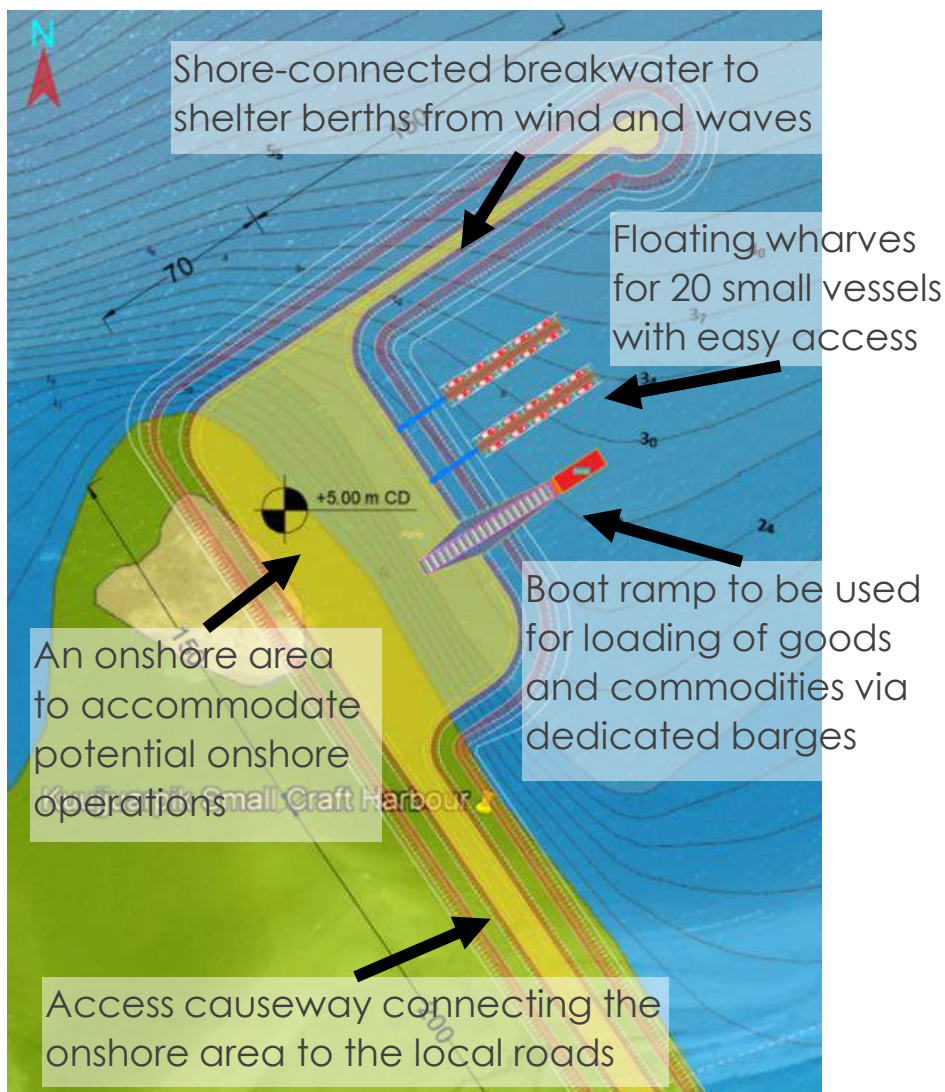
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SITE LOCATION IMPACT

The criteria used to identify the site location also have a reduced effect on the environment:

- Reduced risks of pollution and contamination.
- Reduced frequency of dredging operations.
- Outside of important areas for beluga whales, polar bears, and migratory birds.
- No conservation or protected areas in the vicinity of the proposed site.

POTENTIAL HARBOUR FEATURES



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To learn more about the proposed harbour, reports are available on demand.