



ARRT MEETING JUNEAU ALASKA

Location: Juneau Federal Building Room 285

Date: Sep 25, 2013 (Wed) **Call in #:** 877-951-2794

Time: 0800 – 1645

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| Time | Topic | Coordinator/Speaker |
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| 07:30 - 08:00 | Arrival / Sign-In | |
| 10-min | Welcome / Introductions / Safety Brief | ARRT Coordinators |
| 10 min | Review of actions since last mtg/approval of summary | Co-Chairs |
| | Governance | |
| 30-min | Discuss the States (ADEC) proposal for policy rewrite of the Annex B, Appx II Regional Stakeholder Committee (RSC) of the Unified Plan | Mr. Dale Gardner, Planning, ADEC |
| 05-min | RRT's role on review/approval of the new Appendix 1 to Annex F | Co-Chairs |
| 15-min | Biennial Work plan update | Co-Chairs |
| 09:10 - 09:25 | 15 minute Break | |
| 10-min | Change 4 to Unified Plan: discussion of change process and schedule for appendix D | Co-Chairs |
| OSC Reports: | (Overview of Response Activities, Exercises, Planning Initiatives, Training Programs, and Lessons Learned) | |
| 10-min | Prince William Sound COTP Zone | LT, Todd Bagetis, Planning, MSU Valdez |
| 15-min | ADEC SOSC State of Alaska | Ms. Sarah Moore SOSC, Southeast AK |
| 10-min | Southeast COTP Zone | CDR, Patrick Hilbert, Dep, Sec Juneau |
| 10-min | Western AK COTP Zone | LT, Kion Evans, Planning, Sec Anchorage |
| 10-min | EPA Inland Zone | Mr. Calvin Terada EPA Region 10 |
| | Working Group/Subcommittee/Taskforce Report Outs | |
| 30-min | ARRT Tribal Guidance Taskforce Update | Mr. Nick Knowles, EPA, Alaska Region |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | Lunch (not provided) 1.5 hours | |
| | Working Group/Subcommittee/Taskforce Report Outs (continued) | |
| 20-min | ARRT Cultural Resources Working Group ARRT Wildlife Protection Working Group ARRT Places of Refuge Subcommittee | Ms. Pamela Bergmann (DOI) |
| 10-min | ESA Working Group | Ms. Marcia Combes EPA Region 10 |
| 30-min | Dispersant Guidelines Taskforce | Capt Daniel Travers |
| 13:30 - 13:45 | 15 minute Break | |
| | General Discussion Topics | |
| 15-min | Arctic SONS EX AAR | Mr. Mark Everett, USCG ARRT Co-chair |
| 30-min | NOAA Alaska Oil spill Risk Analysis | Mr. Jason Lehto, Restoration Section, NOAA |
| 15-min | PWS RCAC ICS-for-stakeholders/downstream communities | Jeremy Robida, PWS RCAC |
| 14:45 - 15:00 | 15 minute Break | |
| 20-min | BSEE regulation development for Alaska OCS operations and spill response. | Christy Bohl, BSEE |
| 15-min | Member Agencies - Informal Roundtable | Co-Chairs |
| 20-min | Public Comments | Attendees |
| 5-min | Closing Remarks | Co-Chairs |
| OOA 16:45 | Adjournment | |

Note: Time allocations are guidelines and may vary +/- 5 minutes.

Alaska Regional Response Team (ARRT) Meeting

Juneau, Alaska

September 25, 2013

Meeting Summary

Nine member agencies were present or participating via teleconference. The following agencies were not available: DHHS, DOT, DOE, DOS, DOL and DOJ.

The meeting began with introductions of by the attendees and telephonic participants. The Co-chairs, Mr. Chris Field (EPA) and Mr. Mark Everett (USCG), provided a review of the actions since the previous meeting. Mr. Everett spoke addressed the Biennial Work Plan and highlighted accomplishments since the last ARRT meeting in May 2013. Nine of the 15 goals stated in the work plan have been accomplished or progress was made toward completing these goals. Mr. Field added that the Draft Annex F Dispersant Policy has been completed. The co-chairs are preparing for outreach workshops to be held in November. He also noted that the concerns raised in the packet distributed by the Earth Organization at the May 2013 ARRT meeting were brought to the National Response Team (NRT) Chair to determine which issues will be addressed by the NRT or the ARRT.

Mr. Dale Gardener (ADEC) addressed the Regional Stakeholder Committee and the State's proposal for a policy rewrite of the Unified Plan Annex B, Appendices II and VIII. He provided an overview of the State's reasoning for a policy change which is based on lessons learned from the Kulluk response. He then opened the floor for questions and discussions on the topic. It is the desire of the state that the ARRT approve of these changes prior to the Dispersant Use workshops so that the process of providing stakeholder input during an actual response can be addressed during these workshops. *Decision: ARRT members have 30 days to review the ADEC proposal and submit comments and questions to Mr. Gardener (comments due October 24, 2013)*

Mr. Field spoke on the ARRT's role in the review and approval of the new Annex F, Appendix 1 of the Unified Plan (Dispersant Use Guidelines). The revision was sent out to ARRT members two weeks prior and little input has been received. He emphasized that the ARRT chairs are seeking input but not a vote on the draft guidelines. The goal is a final dispersant guidance by April 2014. He also added that in addition to the Annex F updates, other work is occurring on Change 4 of the Unified Plan.

The OSCS, or their representatives, provided an overview of the recent response activities, exercises, planning initiatives, training programs and lessons learned in their respective areas of responsibility. The OSC Areas of responsibility and presenters included the following:

- USCG, MSU Valdez (Prince William Sound COTP), LT Todd Bagetis representing CDR Benjamin Hawkins
- USCG, Sector Anchorage (Western Alaska COTP), LT Kion Evans representing CAPT Paul Mehler
- USCG, Sector Juneau (Southeast Alaska COTP), CDR Patrick Hilbert representing CAPT. Scott Bornemann
- EPA (Inland Zone), Mr. Calvin Terada
- ADEC, Ms. Sarah Moore, SOSOC for Southeast Alaska

Mr. Nick Knowles (EPA) presented an update on the ARRT Tribal Guidance Task Force. The draft guidance was sent to ARRT members with a request for comments. These comments were addressed and a revised draft will be posted on the ARRT website on September 26, 2013 for tribal review. The current draft and disposition of comments submitted will be emailed to member agencies. He then turned over the presentation to Mr. Everett to initiate a discussion on options to provide for tribal representation on the ARRT.

Ms. Pamela Bergman (DOI) provided an overview on the progress of the Places of Refuge Subcommittee. She requested that the ARRT approve the Revision 1 to the Guidelines for Places of Refuge Decision-making. This would then be incorporated in Change 4 of the Unified Plan revision. The chairs asked if there are any objections to approving the document. There were no objections and Revision 1 was adopted.

Ms. Marcia Combes (EPA) presented a status report on the ESA Consultation Implementation Work Group. The Biological Assessment (BA) is being finalized and expected to be completed in mid-October. The BA will then be submitted to The Services for a Biological Opinion (BO). A BO is expected to be completed in June 2014. If funding is available, Essential Fish Habitat will be prepared in 2014.

Capt Daniel Travers (USCG) addressed progress of the Dispersant Use Guidelines Task Force. The task force has achieved concurrence with the five signatory agencies. For outreach and consultation, meetings have been scheduled in five hub communities in November. In mid-October, the draft plan will be posted on the ARRT website and outreach and consultation letters will be sent out.

Mr. Everett reviewed the Arctic SONS Exercise for senior leaders and decision makers After Action Report. The Arctic SONS Senior Executive Seminar will be held in October. He expects the NRT will task the ARRT to develop a federal integrated logistics support requirements document for an Arctic SONS.

Mr. Jason Lehto (NOAA Fisheries Restoration Center) presented on the Alaska Oil Spill Risk Analysis. The report should be completed by December 2013. The data is expected to be added to Alaska ERMA.

Mr. Jeremy Robida (Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Committee (RCAC)) offered an overview on the RCAC's project on providing incident management training for stakeholders and downstream communities.

Ms. Christy Bohl (Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement) presented an overview of BSEE's oil spill response research and planning for Alaska Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activities and the results of a 60 day review of Shell's 2012 drilling season.

The Co-Chairs opened the floor for members to brief the ARRT on recent agency activities. After this, the floor was opened for public comments. Five attendees offered comments. MR. Field and Everett closed the meeting by making some final remarks summarizing the day and the outstanding tasks to be completed.

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| Comments on the RSC Proposed Changes submitted to Dale Gardener (dale.gardener@alaska.gov) by October 25, 2014. |
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