

# Alaska Regional Response Team

## February 10, 2021 Business Meeting (Virtual Meeting)

### Meeting Summary

Meeting Documentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Agenda</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Meeting Presentations</a></li><li>• Meeting Attendees (attached)</li></ul>
ARRT Documents, Plans and Guidance (New/Updated since last meeting)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DRAFT: <a href="#">Regional Contingency Plan 2020 Interim Draft</a></li></ul>

#### Introductions

Ms. Mary Goolie, EPA ARRT Coordinator conducted a roll call of the ARRT Members and the On-scene Coordinators. Non-member attendance was from the Adobe Connect sign-in list.

#### Review of Actions Since Last Meeting & Tri-Chairs Report

Ms. Denise Koch, ADEC Tri-Chair, Ms. Beth Sheldrake, EPA Tri-Chair, and Mr. Mark Everett, USCG Tri-Chair offered opening remarks. Ms. Koch introduced, Ms. Becky Spiegel, acting ADEC ARRT Coordinator. Ms. Sheldrake introduced Ms. Stephanie Wenning, new EPA Alternate-Co-chair. Mr. David Rees will continue to serve as a backup EPA tri-chair for the ARRT as well.

Mr. Everett, USCG Tri-Chair, presented an overview of the actions of the ARRT since the September 2020 meeting. Major events and milestones include the following:

- Continued adjustments to address COVID-19 – and ensuring the ARRT readiness to respond if necessary.
- ARRT Exercise 15 September 2020
- Revisions for Version 2 of Regional Contingency Plan continues
- MSRC briefing on dispersant capability changes
- Pacific States/B.C. Oil Spill Task Force Meeting

On the national level, the Russia-US Joint Contingency Plan was completed and signed in December 2020. Work on updated to the CANUSNORTH Annex revision is on-going. The Arctic Council EPPR and Arctic Coast Guard Forum cohosted the Arctic Guardian 2020 online table top exercise in October 2020. (See Slide 7)

#### ARRT Committee Reports

Dr. Phil Johnson, USDOJ reported on the recent activities of the Cultural Resources Committee and Wildlife Protection Committee. Ms. Catherine Berg, NOAA Scientific Support Coordinator, reported on the Science and Technology Committee. Mr. Marc Randolph, USCG D17, reported on the Statewide Planning Committee. A summary of their major activities and presentation slides is listed below.

ARRT Committee	Major Activities	Presentation
Cultural Resources Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working to fill last few remaining CRC vacancies</li> <li>Plan to convene a virtual meeting after filling all vacancies</li> <li>Potential CRC tasks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updating the committee charter</li> <li>Identifying ways to improve the Alaska Implementation Guidelines</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Slides 14-16
Science and Technology Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New members: LT Drew Sinclair, USCG, Acting DRAT Supervisor, and Andrea Latier, EPA, Ecotoxicologist</li> <li>Tracking activities of National Response Team Science and Technology Committee (see Slide 19)</li> <li>Participated in Arctic Maritime Spill Response Modeling Project, including workshops in December 2019 and November 2020 (Slides 20-23)</li> </ul>	Slides 17-23
Statewide Planning Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three SPC Meetings since September 2020</li> <li>Participated in SEAK Response to comments</li> <li>Working on ACP Update strategy document, including an update schedule</li> </ul>	Slides 24-28
Wildlife Protection Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wildlife Protection Guidelines (WPG) and accompanying “grab &amp; go” documents (e.g., forms, wildlife response plan templates, etc.) available on <a href="#">ADEC’s ACP References and Tools website</a></li> <li>Ongoing outreach and training on WPG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Response Team – February 25, 2021</li> <li>Environmental Unit and Wildlife Branch personnel (primary audience - industry, OSROs, PRACs, wildlife contractors) – March 11, 2021</li> <li>DOI Inland Oil Spill Response webinar series – April 21, 2021</li> <li>ADEC &amp; EPA staff/managers (including planners &amp; OSCs) – April 27, 2021</li> <li>Other internal wildlife agency training – Ongoing</li> <li>Additional training available – Upon request</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Slides 9-13

### Area Committee Reports

Each of the four Area Committee provided updates on the activities of the Area Committees and recent major events in the areas. Significant work is being made on each of the four Area Contingency Plans. See presentation slides 27-52.

Area Committee	Next Meeting	Status of ACP	Major Upcoming Exercises/ Trainings
Prince William Sound (Slides 42-48)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March 17, 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>V2020.1 revision planned for this year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PWS Shipper exercise (Polar Tankers): March 22-25, 2021</li> </ul>

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Southeast Alaska (Slides 43-49)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 February, 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• V2020.1, to be signed in February 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Juneau Environmental Expo: May 2021</li> </ul>
Arctic and Western Alaska (Slides 31-37)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD, April-May 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• V2020.0 Signed December 2020</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
Alaska Inland (Slides 50-54)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBD, April-May 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• V2020.1, to be signed in March 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conoco Phillips TTX: March 15 (Virtual)</li> <li>• Hilcorp Swanson River TTX: June</li> </ul>

No Area Committees had any new requests for new ARRT support.

### Status of Regional Contingency Plan and Area Contingency Plans

Mr. Goolie provided a summary of the status of the Regional Contingency Plan (RCP) and Area Contingency Plan (ACP) revisions. The ACP status is captured in the Area Committee Report summary table. The ARRT Coordinators have continued work on the RCP revision. The Tri-Chairs and USDOJ all submitted comments on the Interim Draft of the RCP provided at the September 2020 meeting. Any additional comments should be submitted to [mary.goolie@epa.gov](mailto:mary.goolie@epa.gov) by February 26, 2021. The RCP is expected to go out for public review in March or April 2021. (See slides 58-61).

### Update on the USCG-EPA FOSC Memorandum of Understanding

Ms. Sheldrake updated the ARRT on the update of the USCG-EPA FOSC Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Inland-Coastal Zone boundary. The current MOU was signed in 1994. The update is looking at updating the boundary to reflect current best available GIS data and technology. (Slides 62-63)

### Changes in Alaska Oil Industry & Response Capabilities

#### Marine Spill Response Corp (MSRC): Dispersant Capability for Alaska

Mike Walker and Tracy Sedlack with the Marine Spill Response Corporation presented on their capabilities to deploy dispersants in Alaska. They are capable of spraying dispersant within 7 hours, in compliance with USCG requirements in the Cook Inlet and Prince William Sounds geographic zones. (Slides 66-74).

#### Alaska Oil and Gas Association: Update

Mr. Patrick Bergt presented on the state of the oil and gas industry in Alaska, highlighting the industries response to COVID to maintain operations during the pandemic. (Slides 74-85)

## Hilcorp Alaska LLC: Update on Operations

Ms. Diane Dunham provided an overview of Hilcorp Alaska's presence and operations in Alaska. She highlighted their history and recent acquisition of BP facilities on the North Slope and majority ownership in the Trans Alaska Pipeline System. (Slides 86-118)

## Meeting Close-out

### Public Comment

Andrew Hartsig, Ocean Conservancy inquired about the status of the Alternative Planning Criteria. Mr. Everett directed his inquiry to USCG Headquarters and stated that he would follow-up with Mr. Hartsig individually at a later time.

Ms. Patti Burns, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining Land and Water, SAIL offered comments to update the ARRT on the new SAIL program. She provided slides for future reference, [available on the ARRT website](#).

### Parking Lot Issues:

No parking lot issues were identified.

### Closing Remarks:

The tri-chairs offered closing remarks. Mr. Everett thanked CAPT Steven White for his service as he prepares for retirement this summer.

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## Upcoming Dates

- RCP PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: March/April 2021 (30 Days TBD)
- ARRT Meeting: September 21-23, 2021
- ARRT Meeting: February 1-3, 2022

**Participant Summary:**

129 individuals attended the meeting, representing 10 member agencies and 55 other tribal governments, federal, state and local and foreign government agencies, industry and other non-governmental organizations.

Member Agencies in Attendance		
Member Agency	Present	Not Present
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation	●	
Department of Agriculture	●	
Department of Commerce	●	
Department of Defense	●	
Department of Energy		●
Department of Health and Human Services	●	
Department of the Interior	●	
Department of Justice		●
Department of Labor		●
Department of State		●
Department of Transportation	●	
Environmental Protection Agency	●	
Federal Emergency Management Agency		●
General Services Agency	●	
U.S. Coast Guard	●	
Non-member Organizations in Attendance		
Federal Agencies		
U.S. Coast Guard, National Pollution Fund Center		
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service		
U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency		
U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs		
U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management		
U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service		
U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement		
U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish & Wildlife Service		
U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration		
State Agencies		
Alaska Department of Fish and Game		
Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management		
Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining Land and Water, Statewide Abatement of Impaired Land (SAIL)		
Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Office of History and Archeology		

University of Alaska Fairbanks
<b>Federally-Recognized Tribes</b>
Native Village of Akhiok
Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Chickaloon Native Village
Ketchikan Indian Community
Klawock Cooperative Association
Native Village of Port Heiden
<b>Local Governments</b>
Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Department of Emergency Services
<b>Foreign Government Agencies</b>
Canada Energy Regulator
<b>Industry</b>
Alaska Oil and Gas Association
Alaska Railroad Corporation
Alyeska Pipeline Service Corp.
American Marine Corporation
ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.
Crowley Alaska Tankers
Crowley Fuels LLC
ExxonMobile
Gallegher Marine
Hilcorp Alaska
Marathon Petroleum
Oil Search Alaska
Petro Star
Polar Tankers
<b>Response and Environmental Services</b>
Hawthorne Research Communications (Cultural Resource Consulting)
152 Degrees West Environmental Services
1-Call Alaska/ Resolve Marine
Alaska Chadux Network
Alaska Clean Seas
Cook Inlet Spill Prevention & Response, Inc (CISPRI)
Marine Spill Response Corp
Nuka Research and Planning, Ltd.
Southeast Alaska Petroleum Response Organization (SEAPRO)
<b>Non-Governmental Organizations</b>
Alaska Sealife Center
Alutiiq Museum
Bristol Bay Native Association

Cook Inlet Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
International Bird Rescue
Ocean Conservancy
Oil Spill Recovery Institute
Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
Southwest A Pilots Association
Alutiiq Museum
Bristol Bay Native Association
Cook Inlet Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
International Bird Rescue
Ocean Conservancy
Oil Spill Recovery Institute
Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council
Southwest Alaska Pilots Association

## Meeting Attendees

First Name	Last Name	Type	Organization	ARRT Role
Scott	Anderson	Tribe	Native Village of Port Heiden	
Jamie	Aulette	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Alaska Sealife Center	
Marin	Balke	Federal Agency	USCG	
Stephan	Ball	Federal Agency	USEPA	FOSC
Michelle	Bellizzi	Response/Environmental Services Industry	International Bird Rescue	
Catherine	Berg	Federal Agency	USDOC NOAA	ARRT Member/Alternate
Patrick	Bergt	Oil & Gas Industry	Alaska Oil and Gas Assosiation	
Judy	Bittner	State Agency	ADNR	
Catherine	Bollinger	Oil & Gas Industry	Petro Star	
Janine	Boyette	Oil & Gas Industry	Alyeska Pipeline Service Corp.	
Ron	Britton	Federal Agency	USDA USFS	
Gregory	Buie	Federal Agency	USCG	
Patty	Burns	State Agency	ADNR	
Barbara	Callahan	Response/Environmental Services Industry	International Bird Rescue	
Anna	Carey	State Agency	ADEC	
Steve (Vinnie)	Catalano	NGO	Cook Inlet RCAC	
Richard	Chiolero	Tribe	Chickaloon Native Village	
Grace	Cochon	Federal Agency	USDOJ	ARRT Member/Alternate
Mackensie	Cornelius	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Hawthorne Research Communications-CRM	
Bridget	Crokus	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ US Fish & Wildlife Service	
Brian	Davis	Local Government	Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Dept of Emergency Services	
Mike	Day	Oil & Gas Industry	Alyeska Pipeline Service Corp.	
Mike	Donnellan	State Agency	ADEC	
Wojciech	Drobina	Foreign Government	Canada Energy Regulator	
Pat	Dryer	Federal Agency	USCG	FOSC
Todd	Duke	Response/Environmental Services Industry	1-Call Alaska/ Resolve Marine	
Diane	Dunham	Oil & Gas Industry	Hilcorp Alaska	
Manny	Eichholz	State Agency	ADEC	



Jessie	Endert	Tribe	Ketchikan Indian Community	
Roy	English			
Mark	Everett	Federal Agency	USCG	Tri-Chair/Alternate Tri-Chair
Nicole	Farnham	State Agency	ADEC	
John	Fitzgibbon	Federal Agency	USGSA	ARRT Member/Alternate
Michael	Fleming	Federal Agency	USDOT FAA	ARRT Member/Alternate
Ryan	French	Oil & Gas Industry	Oil Search Alaska	
Angelina	Fuschetto	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Crowley Alaska Tankers	
Jessica	Garron	State Agency	University of Alaska Fairbanks	
Crystal	Glassburn	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ Bureau of Land Management	
Mary	Goolie	Federal Agency	USEPA	ARRT Coordinator
Wade	Gough	Federal Agency	USDHS CISA	
Matthew	Green	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Alaska Chadux Network	
Jordan	Hall	Federal Agency	USDA USFS	ARRT Member/Alternate
Kathy	Hamblett	Federal Agency	USCG	
Andrew	Hartsig	NGO	Ocean Conservancy	
Dave	Hassell	Federal Agency	USDOT PHMSA	
Doug	Helton	Federal Agency	USDOC NOAA	ARRT Member/Alternate
Harvey	Hergett	Federal Agency	USDA USFS	ARRT Member/Alternate
Matthew	Hobbie	Federal Agency	USCG	
Victoria	Huelskoetter	State Agency	ADEC	
Chris Hall/	John Pulls	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Alaska Clean Seas	
Megan	Johnnie	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Crowley Fuels LLC	
Philip	Johnson	Federal Agency	USDOJ	ARRT Member/Alternate
Scott	Joyce	State Agency	ADEC	
Justin	Junge	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ National Park Service	
Joseph	Kareta	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Crowley Fuels	
Matt	Kelzenberg	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Alaska Railroad Corporation	

Tylo	Kennedy	Tribe	Klawock Cooperative Association	
Curtis	Kiesel	State Agency	ADEC	SOSC
Bryan	Klostermeyer	Federal Agency	USCG	
Denise	Koch	State Agency	ADEC	Tri-Chair/Alternate Tri-Chair
Monica	Koethke	Oil & Gas Industry	Petro Star	
Joe	Lally	NGO	PWSRCAC, Valdez Office	
Lynnette	Langlois	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Polar Tankers	
Barkley	Lloyd	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Alaska Clean Seas	
Stephanie	Lovell	State Agency	ADEC	
Chris	Lyon	Federal Agency	USDOT PHMSA	
Kimberley	Maher	State Agency	ADEC	
Joe	Martin	NGO	Southwest Alaska Pilots Association	
Angela	Matz	Federal Agency	USDOI/ US Fish & Wildlife Service	
Sarah	Meitl	State Agency	ADNR/OHA	
Jared	Miller	NGO	Bristol Bay Native Association	
Sharry	Miller	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Nuka Research and Planning, Ltd.	
Sarah	Moore	State Agency	ADEC	SOSC
Javier	Morales	Federal Agency	USEPA	
Dianne	Munson	State Agency	ADEC	
Eddie	Murphy	Federal Agency	USDOT PHMSA	
Todd	Nichols	State Agency	ADFG	
Laura	Noland	State Agency	ADEC	
Molly	Odell	NGO	Alutiiq Museum	
Betsi	Oliver	NGO	Prince William Sound RCAC	
Elizabeth	Ortiz	Federal Agency	USDOI/ National Park Service	
Dave	Owings	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Seapro	
Heather	Parker	Federal Agency	USDOD	ARRT Member/Alternate
Jennifer	Pederson Weinberger	Federal Agency	USDOI/ National Park Service	
Scott	Pegau	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Oil Spill Recovery Institute	
Kandi	Petorak	Federal Agency	USGSA	ARRT Member/Alternate

Steve	Pierson	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement	
Marc	Randolph	Federal Agency	USCG	ARRT Coordinator
Jeanetta	Rastopsoff	Tribe	Akhiok, Native Village of	
April	Reed-McCoy	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Zender Environmental Health and Research Group	
Dave	Rees	Federal Agency	USEPA	FOSC
Kevin	Reeve	State Agency	ADHSEM	
Matthew	Richards	Federal Agency	USCG	
Michael	Riedy	Federal Agency	USDA APHIS ESF11 Regional Coordinator	
Mark	Roberts	State Agency	ADHSEM	
Jeremy	Robida	NGO	Prince William Sound RCAC	
Walter	Robles	Tribe	Ketchikan Indian Community	
Elizabeth	Rupp	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ National Park Service	
Monica	Rusk	Federal Agency	USCG NFPC	
Steven	Russell	Response/Environmental Services Industry	152 Degrees West Environmental Services	
Derek	Samora	Response/Environmental Services Industry	CISPRI	
Liza	Sanden	Response/Environmental Services Industry	EPA/START Weston Solutions	
Kenley	Scarlett	Oil & Gas Industry	ExxonMobile	
Nick	Schmuck	State Agency	ADNR/OHA	
Cer	Scott	Tribe	Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska	
Tracy	Sedleck	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Marine Spill Response Corp	
David	Shahnazarian	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	American Marine Corporation	
Beth	Sheldrake	Federal Agency	USEPA	Tri-Chair/Alternate Tri-Chair
Jeanine	Shifflet	Oil & Gas Industry	ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.	
Laurie	Silfven	State Agency	ADEC	
Dan	Smiley	Oil & Gas Transportation/Sales	Gallegher Marine	
Crystal	Smith	State Agency	ADEC	SOSC
Scott	Smith	Federal Agency	USCG	
Rebecca	Spiegel	State Agency	ADEC	ARRT Coordinator

Linda	Swiss	NGO	Prince William Sound RCAC	
James	Taylor	Federal Agency	USCG	
Nancy	Turner	Federal Agency	USDOT PHMSA	
Richard	VanderHoek	State Agency	ADNR	
Lori	Verbrugge	Federal Agency	USDHHS ATSDR	ARRT Member/Alternate
Mike	Walker	Response/Environmental Services Industry	Marine Spill Response Corp	
Gerald	Warrick	Oil & Gas Industry	Marathon Petroleum	
Stephanie	Wenning	Federal Agency	USEPA	Tri-Chair/Alternate Tri- Chair
Stephen	White	Federal Agency	USCG	FOSC
Robert	Whittier	Federal Agency	USEPA	FOSC
Margaret	Williams	NGO	World Wildlife Fund, US Arctic Program	
Graham	Wood	State Agency	ADEC	Tri-Chair/Alternate Tri- Chair
Harrilene	Yazzie	Federal Agency	USDOJ/ Bureau of Indian Affairs	
Mike	Yeager	Federal Agency	USDOT PHMSA	
Joe	Zarlengo	Federal Agency	USCG	