ARCTIC AND WESTERN ALASKA AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

November 19, 2019

Location:

Atwood Conference Center 550 West 7th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501 Teleconference: 877-685-3169, Passcode: 1112019 Web Conference: https://share.dhs.gov/awaac/ What is an Area Committee?

The Clean Water Act, as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) mandate that an Area Committee exist within each inland and Coast Guard Captain of the Port Zone. The Area Committee must: (1) Prepare for its area the Area

Contingency Plan; (2) Work with federal, tribal, state and local officials to enhance the contingency planning for those officials and to assure preplanning of joint response efforts, including appropriate procedures for mechanical recovery, dispersal, shoreline cleanup, protection of sensitive environmental areas, and protection, rescue and rehabilitation of fisheries and wildlife; and

(3) Work with federal, tribal, state, and local officials to expedite decisions for the use of dispersants and other mitigating substances and devices.

Where can you obtain more information about Area Committees and Area Contingency Plans? http://alaska.gov/go/7EKN

The Atwood Conference Center is on the first floor of the Atwood building downtown; free parking within the Linny Pacillo Parking Garage.

Meeting presentations available for download at https://dec.alaska.gov/spar/ppr/contingency-plans/response-plans/arctic-western-area/



Area Committee Boundaries:

Three Coastal: The Arctic and Western Alaska Area, Prince William Sound Area, and the Southeast Area mimic the Captain of the Port Zones and extend seaward 200 nautical miles to the Economic Exclusion Zone. These Areas also extend inland 1,000 yards. One Inland: The Inland Area extends from the coastal areas; beginning 1,000 yards inland

Geographic Zones:

Zones mimic the boundaries of the superseded 10 subareas: 1) Southeast Alaska, 2) Prince William Sound, 3) Cook Inlet, 4) Kodiak Island, 5) Aleutians, 6) Bristol Bay, 7) Western Alaska, 8) Northwest Arctic, 9) North Slope, and 10) Interior Alaska

Draft Agenda

0830-0900:	Arrival and Sign-in	1200-1330:	Lunch (not provided)
0900-0905:	Welcome and Safety Brief		
0905-0915:	Introductions	<u>Pc</u>	ollution Response Topics (continued)
	Business Meeting	1330-1400:	Lightering Zones
0915-1015:	Subcommittee Status Reports	1400-1430:	Geographic Response Strategy Exercise –
1015-1020:	Steering Committee Report		Akutan
1020-1035:	Morning Break	1430-1500:	Wildlife Protection Guidelines Tactical Use
	Pollution Response Topics	1500-1515:	Afternoon Break
1035-1100:	Response Trends & Enforcement/		
	Case Study	1515-1545:	Public Comment
1100-1110:	USCG VOSS/SORS Program Changes	1545-1600:	Closing Remarks & Discussion of Next
1110-1135:	Area Contingency Plan version 2018.1		Meeting
1135-1200:	Marine Safety Task Force Results	1600:	Adjourn