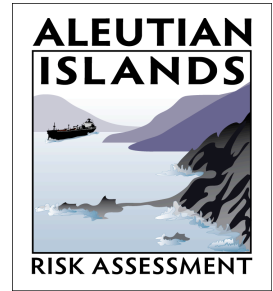


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Management Team Meetings/Teleconferences

- During the month of May the Management Team and AIRA Facilitation Team (Nuka Research) met four times with three meetings held via teleconference and one in-person meeting on May 13th in Anchorage, AK prior to the first Advisory Panel meeting. These meetings were conducted to provide status reports, review the draft Phase A Request for Proposal, organize the Advisory Panel meeting and review and discuss project administration elements.

Administrative Items

- The Management Team reviewed and Advisory Panel meeting schedule and administrative documents. At prior Management Team meetings the Organizational Protocols, Travel Policy and Advisory Panel Charter had been verbally approved by the members. The Management Team decided that signatures on each document were not required in addition to the verbal approval.
- A Confidentiality Agreement was drafted and finalized by the Management Team. The Agreement was distributed via email to the Advisory Panel members for review and signature. Six signed agreements were received in May.

Phase A Request for Proposal (RFP)

- The Management Team decided to issue exclusive RFP's and contracts for Phase A and Phase B activities. The AIRA Facilitation Team continued to coordinate with the Management Team and Advisory Panel the review and update of the Phase A RFP. A draft of the RFP was provided to the Advisory Panel with comments due on May 27th. A final draft of the RFP was sent to the Management Team on May 29th for review and approval.

Advisory Panel Meeting

- The first Advisory Panel Meeting was conducted in Anchorage, AK on May 14th and included the attendance of primary and alternate members. Approximately 15 of the 20 members attend either in-person or via teleconference. The meeting included statements from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Larry Hartig and U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Brooks. Margaret Williams, WWF who was a member of the scoping committee, provided an overview of the NAS Special Report 293. In addition, Tim Robertson with Nuka Research & Planning Group provided an overview of the 2004 Aleutian Vessel Traffic Study. A summary of the Advisory Panel meeting will be posted on the Project website in June.

Peer Review Panel

- The Management Team discussed options for establishing the Peer Review Panel and decided a contracted group from the National Academies' may be the best option. This option was presented to the Advisory Panel and they concurred with Management Team pursuing the option.

Contacts List

- The project contact list developed by Nuka Research was updated as needed during the month of May.

AIRA Website

- The Management Team and Advisory Panel website was updated as needed during the month of May. All meeting material was posted prior to meeting dates allowing easy access and review of documents.

Upcoming Milestones

- Phase A RFP to be issued on June 2, 2009
- RFP Pre-Proposal Web Conference to be conducted on June 24th
- RFP Proposal deadline is July 25th
- RFP Review Committee meeting tentatively schedule for the first week of August
- Management Team, Advisory Panel and Risk Analysis Team meeting tentatively scheduled for the first week of September in Dutch Harbor, AK