

## **Aleutian Island Risk Assessment (AIRA) Status Report: October 2009**



### **Management Team Meetings/Teleconferences**

- During the month of October the Management/Facilitation and Risk Analysis Teams met five times via teleconference to discuss the project status, planning for the November Advisory Panel meeting/workshop, and administration elements.

### **Advisory Panel Meetings**

- No Advisory Panel meetings were conducted during the month of October.
- The AIRA Facilitation team spent the month of October organizing and preparing for the Advisory Panel workshop related to laws and regulations governing marine vessel traffic in the Aleutians. Two planning teleconferences were conducted with subject matter experts. The workshop is scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup> in Anchorage.
- Captain Pete Garay of the Alaska Marine Pilots Association has been appointed to the vacant alternate Marine Pilot position. Karol Kolemainen has stepped up into the Primary NGO Local member. Karol replaces Bruce Wright in the Primary position since Bruce recently accepted a job with TDX Energy.

### **Peer Review Panel**

- The National Fish & Wildlife Foundation is finalizing contract negotiations with the National Academy of Science Transportation Research Board to provide assistance in establishing and facilitating a Peer Review Panel.

### **Contact List and Public Communication**

- An email notice was sent to all individual on the project contact list informing them of the website update and November Advisory Panel meeting/workshop. The project contact list developed by Nuka Research was updated as needed during the month of October.

### **AIRA Website**

- The public website was updated and underwent substantial change. The Project home page now includes project news and highlights, which will be updated on a frequent basis. The Team Page has been expanded and now includes pages for each part of the project team. The Project Page now has a proposed schedule for Phase A of the project.
- Agendas and materials for the November Advisory Panel meeting/workshop have been posted all websites. Posting include pre-reading material.
- An internal project blog was launched and currently being tested by Team

members. The intent of the blog is to allow members to raise questions and share information on topics related to the project.

### **Upcoming Milestones**

- An Advisory Panel closed Executive Session is scheduled for the evening of November 11<sup>th</sup> prior to the November 12th Regulatory Workshop being conducted in Anchorage at the Dimond Hotel Conference Center. Details of this workshop are posted on the project website.