

# Aleutian Islands Waterways Safety Committee

## Meeting Agenda

March 1, 2024

1:00pm – 3:00pm (AKST) via Teleconference

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### Invitees

#### Committee Members

Chris Woodley – At Sea Fish Processors, Primary  
Frank Vargas – Commercial Fishing, Primary  
Steven Gabelein – Passenger Vessels, Primary  
Ingo Rose – Tank Vessels  
Captain Seth Chase – Barges & Associated Tugs, Primary  
David Ridge – Barges & Associated Tugs, Alternate  
Captain Chris Iszler – Assist Tugs, Primary  
Ernie Weiss – Local Government, Primary  
Jennifer Tungul – Terminal Operators, Primary  
Matthew Odum – Oil Spill Response, Primary  
Todd Duke – Salvage, Primary  
Kyle Watson – Salvage, Alternate  
Andrew Hartsig – Conservation Organization, Primary  
Captain David Arzt – Marine Pilots, Primary  
Andrew Mew – Ship’s Agents, Primary  
Morgann Machalek – Ship’s Agents, Alternate  
Karen Pletnikoff – Subsistence User, Primary  
Captain Steve White – Vessel Monitoring & Tracking, Primary

### Managing Board

Captain Buddy Custard (USCG, Ret.), President  
Shari Coleman, Secretary/Treasurer  
Mayor Joe Bereskin, Member  
Peggy McLaughlin, Vice-President & WSC Chairwoman

### Ex Officio

Captain Christopher Culpepper (COTP), USCG Sector Anchorage  
CDR Scott Farr, USCG Sector Anchorage  
CDR John Downing, USCG Section Anchorage  
LT Tyler Justus, USCG Sector Anchorage  
LT William Mason, USCG Sector Anchorage  
Daniel Payne, USCG Sector Anchorage  
Bernie Nowicki, ADEC  
Ethan Nichols, ADF&G  
Jeanette Alas, ADF&G  
LT Caroline Wilkinson, NOAA  
Aaron Poe, Aleutian Bering Sea Initiative  
Jeff Williams, USFWS  
Bridget Crokus, USFWS

- I. Call to Order..... Peggy McLaughlin, Chair
- II. Approval of Agenda..... All
- III. Committee Orientation & Expectations.....Peggy McLaughlin
  - a. Meeting Protocols
- IV. Opening Comments and Introduction..... All
- V. Reports to Committee
  - a. Ex Officio Reports
    - i. USCG ..... CDR John Downing
    - ii. ADEC.....Bernie Nowicki
    - iii. NOAA..... LT Caroline Wilkinson
    - iv. USFWS .....Jeff Williams
    - v. ADFG .....Ethan Nichols
    - vi. Aleutian Bering Sea Initiative..... Aaron Poe
  - b. Managing Board Report .....Captain Buddy Custard
  - c. WSC Chair Report..... Peggy McLaughlin
  - d. Facilitator’s Report..... Haley Griffin

- VI. New Business
  - a. Waterways Safety Plan Updates ..... All
  - b. Review and Discussion of Committee Priorities ..... All
  - c. SWIFR Grant..... Karen Pletnikoff

- VII. Next Steps
  - a. Re-establish Work Groups: WSP and Navigation

VIII. Review Action Items and Set Next Meeting.....Peggy McLaughlin

IX. Closing Committee Comments

X. Set Next Meeting Date.....All

XI. Adjourn

Meeting Materials:

1. Meeting Protocols
2. Current Roster
3. Waterways Safety Plan

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