

# ICE SEAL CO-MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING FINAL Agenda

## January 25, 2025 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

#### **Embassy Suites Hotel**

600 East Benson Blvd, Anchorage, AK 99503

- 1. Call to Order (9:00 am)
- 2. Invocation
- **3. Roll Call** Quorum<sup>1</sup> for Co-Management Committee meeting = 6 members

| Ice Seal Committee                              |                    | Present | Absent |
|---|--------------------|---------|--------|
| Bristol Bay Native Association                  | Jorjana Dray       |         |        |
| Association of Village Council Presidents       | Jennifer Hooper    |         |        |
| Kawerak, Inc.                                   | Charles Menadelook |         |        |
| Maniilaq Association                            | Timothy Smith      |         |        |
| North Slope Borough                             | Billy Adams        |         |        |
| National Marine Fisheries Service               |                    | Present | Absent |
| Assistant Regional Administrator, Alaska Region | Anne Marie Eich    |         |        |
| Polar Ecosystems Program Manager                | Michael Cameron    |         |        |
| Biologist, Alaska Region                        | Barbara Mahoney    |         |        |
|   | TOTAL              |         |        |

## 4. Dispense with "Robert's Rules of Order" and proceed by <u>consensus<sup>2</sup></u>

## 5. Select Chairperson from the National Marine Fisheries Service\*

\*This year NMFS will chair the co-management committee meeting and record the meeting minutes.

## 6. Adopt Agenda

<sup>2</sup> Ice Seal Committee Co-Management Agreement (VI.A.1-2): Decisions of the Committee shall be through <u>consensus</u>, based on <u>mutual respect</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ice Seal Committee Co-Management Agreement (VI.A.1-2): The Co-Management Committee shall be comprised of the five management regional Representatives of ISC and three members from NMFS. A quorum of six members is required for a meeting to be held.

## **7.** Approve March 12, 2024 Co-Management Committee meeting minutes *Draft minutes were circulated to the Ice Seal Co-Management Committee.*

### 8. Introductions

#### 9. Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service Anne Marie Eich

- A. Bearded seal and ringed seal critical habitat vacated
- B. Subsistence harvest eligibility for marine mammals update

## **10. Ice Seal Committee**

- A. Governance Documents<sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_\_Andrew Von Duyke & Tyson Kade
  - 1) Co-management Agreement
  - 2) Management Plan
- B. Discussion on Tribal Resolution Process
- C. Process to cover late additions to agenda (e.g., workshops) and/or un-budgeted payments from ISC grant for special projects (e.g., Alaska Native research participation, food)

## 11. Marine Mammal Lab, National Marine Fisheries Service Michael Cameron

A. Presentation of the 2025 Ice Seal Research Plan

#### 12. Alaska Regional Bearded Seal and Ringed Seal Recovery Plan Workshop

- A. Summary of workshop on 23-24 January, 2025 Caroline Cummings & Jenna Malek
- B. Discussion of the workshop with Q & A session

## **13.** Date for next co-management meeting

A. Recommend date is with the Ice Seal Committee annual meeting.

## **14.** Closing comments

## 15. Adjourn

*Executive Session* (if needed –Ice Seal Co-Management Committee members only)

- ISC: Billy Adams, Jorjana Dray, Jennifer Hopper, Charles Menadelook, Timothy Smith
- NMFS: Anne Marie Eich, Michael Cameron, Barbara Mahoney

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> By-Laws will be covered during the ISC Board Meeting