

ARCTIC AND WESTERN ALASKA AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

May 7th, 2024

Location:

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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

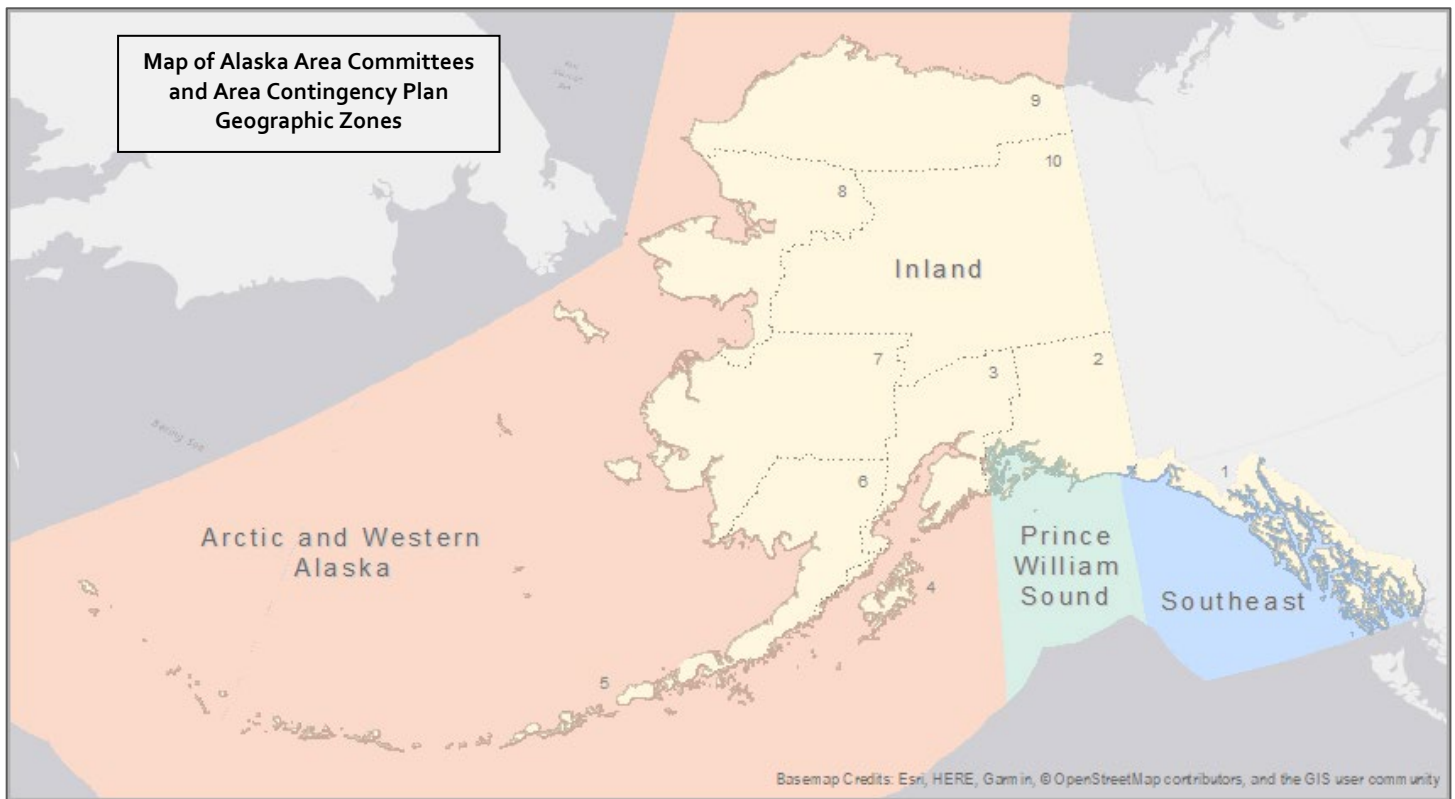
Contingency Plan; (2) Work with federal, tribal, state and local officials to enhance the contingency planning for those officials and to assure preplanning of joint response efforts, including appropriate procedures for mechanical recovery, dispersal, shoreline cleanup, protection of sensitive environmental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

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Zones mimic the boundaries of the superseded 10 subareas: 1) Southeast Alaska, 2) Prince William Sound, 3) Cook Inlet, 4) Kodiak Island, 5) Aleutians, 6) Bristol Bay, 7) Western Alaska, 8) Northwest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

0900: Sign-in
0930: OSC Opening Comments
Business Meeting
0945: Subcommittee Status Reports
1005: *Break*
Pollution Response Topics
1020: Point Lay Case Study
1050: Genius Star Case Study
1120: Point Thomson Export Pipeline Spill
1200-1300 *Lunch*

Pollution Response Topics (cont.)

1330: BSEE ACP Worst Case Discharge
1430: ***Break+ Refreshments***
1445: Western Alaska Oil Spill Planning
Criteria with remarks from CG-MER
Break
1530: Geographic Response Strategies
1545: Public Comment, Closing Remarks &
1610: Discussion of Next Meeting