

Senior Arctic Officials Meeting
Agenda

Thursday, April 27th
Tanana Chiefs Conference Hall ~ Fairbanks, Alaska, U.S.A.

- 8:30 am **Call to Order - Chairman Ray Arnaudo**
- 8:40 am **Welcome by Athabascan Tribal Chief / UA President Mark Hamilton**
Dance performance by Fairbanks Native Association
- 9 am **1. Approval of Agenda**
- 9:15 am **2. [Approval of Ad Hoc Observers](#)**
- 9:30 am **3. Approval of [November 1999 SAO Meeting Minutes](#)**
- 9:45 am **Gwich'in Tribal Council request for Permanent Participant status**
- 10:15 am *Coffee Break*
- 10:30 am **5. Working Group Chair reports to SAO's, updating their WG activities; discussion as appropriate [@ 15 minutes each]**
- [AMAP](#), [CAFF](#), [EPPR](#), [PAME](#), SDWG
- Noon *Lunch - at Tanana Chiefs Conference Hall*
- 1:00 pm **6. [Arctic Council Action Plan \(ACAP\) update](#) [Norway]**
- 2:00 pm **7. [Arctic Climate Impact Assessment \(ACIA\) update](#)[U.S.]**
Implementation Plan; national and tribal contributions
- 3 pm **8. [Arctic Multilateral PCB Project update](#)**
- **Part One: Status Report** [AMAP Secretariat]
 - **Implementation of Part Two: Progress Report** [US]
- 3:30 pm **SAO Meeting Adjourns for the day - bus to special events at University of Alaska-Fairbanks**
- **UAF Provost Paul Reichardt gives overview of UAF tour**
- 3:45 pm **Special events at UAF**
- **International Arctic Research Center**
 - **Arctic Region Supercomputing Center**
 - **UAF Museum**
 - **[Permafrost Tunnel](#)** (off-campus, limited to 20 participants, first-come)

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6-8 pm UAF - reception at President Hamilton's home
Athabaskan Fiddlers

Friday, April 28th
Chief Peter John Tribal Hall, 109 Clay Street ~ Fairbanks, Alaska, U.S.A.

- 8:30 am **9. Coordination of Working Group activities** [Working Group chairs lead]
- 9:15 am **10. Coordination with other international bodies**
- **Nordic Council of Ministers** [Denmark]
 - **Barents Euroarctic Council, EU Northern Dimension** [Finland]
 - **Northern Forum**
 - **Review of Arctic Council Activities**: Information to be shared with other international organizations [US]
- 10:15 am *Coffee Break*
- 10:30 am **11. Work Program and Deliverables for the Fall Ministerial** [Chair/US]
- **Draft Agenda for Barrow**
 - **Deliverables for Barrow**
 - **Recommendations for Permanent Participants and Observers**
- Noon *Lunch - on own*
- 2 pm **12. International Red Cross** - structure, roles and functions in Arctic countries
- 2:15 pm **13. Discussion of Public Awareness, Education and Outreach**
- **Report on Wednesday's Panel Discussion: Contaminants and Human Health** [US/AMAP]
 - **Arctic Council Web Site** [US]
 - **Arctic Environmental Data Directory** [Canada]
 - **Arctic Council Magazine** [Russia]
- 3:15 pm **14. Update on the Northern Sea Route** [Norway]
- 3:30 pm **15. Other Business**
- 3:45 pm **16. Approval of Press Release summarizing the proceedings**
- 4 pm **Senior Arctic Officials Meeting concludes**