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Arctic Contaminants Action Program (ACAP)											
1	2013	2015	1.1 Reduction of Black Carbon from Diesel Sources in the Russian Arctic Project (SLCFC PSG)	U.S.	Assess primary sources of black carbon in the Russian Arctic; develop a baseline emissions inventory for black carbon from diesel in key areas; implement targeted demonstration projects; establish policy recommendations and financing options.	Need for coordination of SLCF activities between ACAP, AMAP and AC TFBCM	Emissions Inventory and pilot projects in 2014, and final lessons learned and recommendations report in 2015. The final report and outreach brochure are to be sent to SAOs for approval, October 2014.	Emissions Inventory and Pilot Projects in 2014	On-Track	Teresa Kuklinski (USA)	Kuklinski.Teresa@epa.gov
2	2012	2014	1.2 Reduction of black carbon emissions from residential wood combustion in the Arctic (SLCFC PSG)	Finland, Norway	Compile information on black carbon emissions along with abatement instruments and measures / Phase 1: Desk study on emission inventories and abatement instruments and measures for reduction on black carbon / Phase 2: to be decided	Need for coordination of SLCF activities between ACAP, AMAP and AC TFBCM	Report from phase 1 with recommendations expected to be presented for recognition in 2014. The final report and outreach brochure are to be sent to SAOs for approval, October 2014.	Report from phase 1 with recommendations	On-Track	Maria Marlene Kvalevåg	maria.kvalevag@miljodir.no
3	2013	Ongoing	1.3 Arctic Black Carbon Case Studies Platform (SLCFC PSG)	U.S.	Through this project, EPA will work with its partners in ACAP to present a catalogue of black carbon mitigation efforts – a set of standardized case studies or “snapshots” – to capture the variety of interventions and policy tools that can reduce black carbon emissions.	Need for coordination of SLCF activities between ACAP, AMAP and AC TFBCM	Initial set of case studies delivered to the January 2015 ACAP meeting	Initial set of case studies and platform (pending funding)	On-Track	Laura Sauls	Sauls.Laura@epa.gov

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4	2014	Ongoing	1.4 Valday Cluster Upgrade for Black Carbon Reduction in the Republic of Karelia, Russian Federation (SLCFC PSG)	U.S., NEFCO	This project aims to implement a range of alternatives for providing energy to off-grid settlements in this region with the objectives to; 1) contribute to mitigation of pollutants, including SLCFs such as BC and other GHGs; 2) decrease the dependence of the Cluster settlements on transported fossil fuels, 3) reduce the electricity/district heating costs for the municipality; 4) increase the reliability and quality of electricity/district heating supply and 5) strengthen the expertise of the local institutions in the energy supply and project management.	Need for coordination of SLCF activities between ACAP, AMAP and AC TFBCM	The objectives of the Project are to; 1) contribute to mitigation of pollutants, including SLCFs such as BC and other GHGs; 2) decrease the dependence of the Cluster settlements on transported fossil fuels, 3) reduce the electricity/district heating costs for the municipality; 4) increase the reliability and quality of electricity/district heating supply and 5) strengthen the expertise of the local institutions in the energy supply and project management.. Noting PSI Committee review, October 2014.	Report on alternatives to improve energy to Cluster communities, which includes mitigation options for black carbon reduction.	On-Track	Husamuddin Ahmadzai (NEFCO)	Husamuddin.Ahmadzai@nefco.fi
5		Ongoing	2.1 Non-ferrous/Zinc Smelter Mercury Reduction in the Russian Federation (Mercury PSG)	Russian Federation, U.S., NEFCO					On-Track	Marianne Bailey (USA)*; Vladimir Ivlev (RF); Husamuddin Ahmadzai (NEFCO)	Bailey.Marianne@epa.gov; ivlev@mnr.gov.ru; husamuddin.ahmadzai@nefco.fi
6	2010	Ongoing	2.2 Mercury Control Technology Workshop	U.S., Russian Federation	Demonstrates the efficiencies of mercury emissions removal of standard activated carbon and bromated carbon injection / Investigates the stability of ash and sorbent residues and leaching potential of metals / Project Steering Committee will develop a proposal for a project focusing on disseminating and replicating results				On-Track	Marianne Bailey (USA)*; Husamuddin Ahmadzai (NEFCO)	Bailey.Marianne@epa.gov; husamuddin.ahmadzai@nefco.fi

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7	2001	Ongoing	3. Phase III: Demonstration of environmentally sound destruction of obsolete pesticides (Obsolete Pesticides PSG)	Finland, Russian Federation	Assess technologies for environmentally sound destruction of obsolete pesticides in Russia and demonstrate destruction of obsolete pesticides. Project will seek synergies with the PCB destruction project for management of PCBs in transformers in Russia. Dependent on availability of destruction technologies or possibilities to export.		SAOs to take note: Identification of available environmentally sound destruction technology. Identification of environmentally sound destruction capacity.	Dependent on availability of destruction technologies or possibilities to export	Delayed	Timo Seppala (FI)	timo.seppala@ymparisto.fi
8	2001	Ongoing	4. Phase III (Dioxin/Furan PSG) Reduction/Elimination of Emissions of Dioxins and Furans in Russia with a focus on Northern regions	Sweden	Project to reduce dioxins and dust emission and training program for the Vorkutinsky cement plant		Milestone 1: Seminar on environmental requirements on using waste as fuel; Milestone 2: Sample and Analysis of Emissions, Milestone 3: Action Plan for Reduction Actions at VCP, Milestone 4: Start of Reconstruction, Milestone 5: Completion of Reconstruction Actions, Milestone 6: Assessment of Reduction	Final Report on Activities 2013-2015	On-Track	Ake Mikaelsson (SE)	Ake.Mikaelsson@naturvardsverket.se
9	2001; PSI Eol May 2014; Re-start Q3 2014; Timeline t.b.d.	PSI Eol May 2014; On-going; Timeline t.b.d.	5. Demonstration of management and destruction of 250 tons of PCB in transformers: Phase III (PCB PSG)	Russia, U.S., NEFCO	PCB Project addresses mitigation of the PCB problem in RF. The aim is to destroy 250 tons of PCB via two sub-projects: 1. Emptying and cleaning contaminated PCB containing transformers; 2. Destruction of PCB. The method can also be used to destroy other hazardous pollutants e.g. certain types of pesticides.	Appropriate co-ordination with pesticides and integrated hazardous waste management groups via ACAP	SAOs to take note: Expression of interest approved at the first meeting of the PSI Committee (May 2014). Next steps depend on permitting regimes of the Russian Federation	Dependant on permitting regimes of the Russian Federation	Delayed	Husamuddin Ahmadzai (NEFCO)	Husamuddin.Ahmadzai@nefco.fi

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10	2013	2017	1. Adaptation Actions for a Changing Arctic – Part C	All	Implement Phase 2 which includes development of climate scenarios and integrated environmental frameworks/models to improve predictions of climate change and other relevant drivers of change in the 3 pilot regions.	EPPR, PAME, SDWG, CAFF, ACAP	2013/2014: Implementation of regional activities. 2015: Progress reports to Ministers	Progress report	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no
11	2013	2015	2. SLCF Expert Group	Canada, Norway, USA	Support work of Task Force for Action on Black Carbon and Methane / Update assessment to include scientific data and information on black carbon, methane and tropospheric ozone from sources inside and outside of the Arctic	Task Force for Actions on Black Carbon and Methane	<p><u>SLCF Expert Group on Black Carbon and Tropospheric Ozone:</u></p> <p>June 24 - 26 2014: EG meeting in Paris. August 2014: Finish transient mitigation runs. August 1 2014: Complete report sent out for peer review. October 1 2014 – Receive peer-review comments. November 1 2014: Final draft to AMAP for editing</p> <p><u>SLCF Expert Group on Methane:</u></p> <p>June 23 10 AM EDT June Methane Expert Group teleconference July 11 Deadline for sending peer review drafts to Co-Chairs. Aug 15 Send second order drafts to AMAP Secretariat (AMAP will coordinate the external peer review and national review (through AMAP national leads)) Late October Peer review comments expected back October – November Input and review comments from co-chairs to AMAP Secretariat on SLCF Report for spring 2015 ministers</p>	Assessment reports	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no

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12	2013	2015	3. Human Health Assessment	Canada, Norway	AMAP's human health assessment group will: Produce an update to the 2009 AMAP Human Health Report / Continue to work with SDWG's human health expert group on issues of joint concern (incl. Food Security)	SDWG	2015: Report to Ministers	Scientific assessment report and Layman's style overview report	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no
13	2013	2015	4. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Expert Groups	Norway, USA	Continue work on safety guidelines and demonstrate the use of cross-jurisdictional environmental monitoring	EPPR	2014: Oct 1. First draft of UAS Handbook assembled, send out for review and identify missing parts and assign these. Nov 1. Revised draft of both Arctic Airspace Access Whitepaper and UAS Handbook sent to participating CAAs for feedback. Dec 1. CAA feedback collected and changes and additions assigned. Last adjustments on Whitepaper text discussed 2015: Jan 1. Final draft sent to review, start publishing process. Send draft of Whitepaper to AMAP HoDs and AC SAO for final feedback. Feb 1. Ready for publication. Final Whitepaper text submitted from EG	Arctic Airspace Access Whitepaper and UAS Handbook	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no

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14	2013	2015	5. Follow-up activities Radioactivity	Norway, Russia	AMAP's radioactivity expert group will: Produce an update to the 2009 AMAP Radioactivity report	EPPR	2015: Report to Ministers		On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no
15	2013	2015	6. Follow-up activities POPs	Canada, Sweden	AMAP's POPs expert group will: Produce an update to the 2009 AMAP POPs assessment		<p>2015: Report to Ministers (Update assessment of POPs Temporal Trends)</p> <p>2016: Update assessments on POPs of Emerging Concern and Biological Effects of POPs and Mercury</p> <p>2017: Update assessment on Climate Change Impacts on POPs</p> <p>AMAP Contribution to WEOG on Temporal trends of Stockholm Convention POPs in air, biota and human media: June 2014</p> <p>AMAP Update Assessment of POPs Temporal trends: First draft, August 2014</p> <p>Temporal trends in Arctic assessment report: December 2014</p> <p>Updated assessment on levels and trends, transport of new POPs and emerging contaminants in the Arctic: End 2015</p> <p>Biological effects assessment: End of 2015</p> <p>Assessment of climate change impacts on contaminants in the Arctic: Early 2017</p>	Assessment report	On-Track (slight delays on some parts)	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no

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16	2013	ongoing	7. Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks (SAON) Project: Coordination of metadatabases	U.S.	Coordinate databases on Arctic observational metadata	CAFF	2015: Report to Ministers	Report	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no
17	(void, ongoing)	(void, ongoing)	8. AMAP Trends and Effects Programme	All	AMAP is conceived as a <i>process</i> integrating both monitoring and assessment activities, in order to: - produce integrated assessment reports on the pollution and climate status and trends of the conditions of Arctic ecosystems; - identify possible causes for changing conditions; - detect emerging problems, their possible causes, and the potential risk to Arctic ecosystems including indigenous peoples and other Arctic residents; - recommend actions required to reduce risks to Arctic ecosystems.	EPPR, PAME, SDWG, CAFF, ACAP	Ongoing	The programme provides input to AMAP assessments	On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no

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Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF)											
18	2001	ongoing	1. Circumpolar Biodiversity Monitoring Program -General	Kingdom of Denmark, U.S. are the overall leads for the CBMP. Individual components are led by different countries. The key components are outlined in this tracking tool.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The CBMP is a flagship program of the CAFF working group and an ongoing monitoring program that has received international recognition. •The CBMP is the biodiversity component of the Sustaining Arctic Observing Network (SAON) and is the official Arctic biodiversity network of the Global Earth Observation's Biodiversity Observation Network (GEOBON). •CBMP activities are structured around the major Arctic ecosystem: marine, freshwater, terrestrial and coastal. • The plans help improve ability to detect important trends, link these trends to their underlying causes, predict future trends and scenarios for Arctic biodiversity, and thereby provide more timely and credible information to support decision making. • The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 	AMAP, PAME	See below	See below	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is
19	2009	ongoing	1.1 CBMP Marine Biodiversity Monitoring group	Rotating chairs currently - US and Norway currently leading the steering group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The Arctic Marine Biodiversity Monitoring Plan was delivered in 2011 and is the first of four pan-Arctic biodiversity monitoring plans developed by the CBMP to improve the ability to detect and understand the causes of long-term change in the composition, structure and function of Arctic ecosystems. Since the delivery of the marine plan further work is underway to continue to assess the state of the ecosystem and national implementation. •The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 	AMAP, PAME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •State of the Arctic marine biodiversity report (2015/2016) •National reports for implementation of the marine monitoring plan (2015) •Annual report and workplan (2014) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •National reports for implementation of the marine monitoring plan (2015) •Annual report and workplan (2014) 	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is

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20	2010	ongoing	1.2 CBMP Freshwater Biodiversity Monitoring group	Rotating chairs currently - Canada, Sweden currently leading the steering group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arctic Freshwater Biodiversity Monitoring Plan is one of four pan-Arctic biodiversity monitoring plans developed by the CBMP to improve the ability to detect and understand the causes of long-term change in the composition, structure and function of Arctic ecosystems. Since the delivery of the freshwater plan further work is underway to continue to assess the state of the ecosystem and national implementation. The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 	AMAP, PAME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of the Arctic freshwater biodiversity report (2016) National reports for implementation of the freshwater monitoring plan (2013) Annual report and workplan (2014) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National reports for implementation of the freshwater monitoring plan (2013) Annual report and workplan (2014) 	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is
21	2011	ongoing	1.3 CBMP Terrestrial Biodiversity Monitoring group	Rotating chairs currently - Canada is currently leading implementation of the plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arctic Terrestrial Biodiversity Monitoring Plan is one of four pan-Arctic biodiversity monitoring plans developed by the CBMP to improve the ability to detect and understand the causes of long-term change in the composition, structure and function of Arctic ecosystems. Since the delivery of the terrestrial plan further work is underway to continue to assess the state of the ecosystem and national implementation. The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of the Arctic terrestrial biodiversity report (2017) National reports for implementation of the terrestrial monitoring plan (2014) Annual report and work plan (2014) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National reports for implementation of the terrestrial monitoring plan (2015) Annual report and work plan (2014) 	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is

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Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF)											
22	2014	2015	1.4 CBMP Coastal Biodiversity Monitoring Plan	Canada, U.S. co-leads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arctic Coastal Biodiversity Monitoring Plan is the final of four pan-Arctic biodiversity monitoring plans being developed by the CBMP to improve the ability to detect and understand the causes of long-term change in the composition, structure and function of Arctic ecosystems. The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 	AMAP, PAME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terms of Reference (2015) Coastal monitoring background paper (2015) Delivery of the Coastal monitoring plan (Date 2016). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terms of Reference (2015) 	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is
23	2001	2015	1.5 Circumpolar Biodiversity Monitoring Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicators and indices 	CAFF Secretariat lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CBMP has chosen a suite of indices and indicators that provide a comprehensive picture of the state of Arctic biodiversity – from species to habitats to ecosystem processes to ecological services. These indices and indicators are developed in a hierarchical manner, allowing users to drill down into the data from the higher-order indices to more detailed indicators. These are being developed through an expert consultation process. The CBMP supports the inclusion of TK holder expertise from the inception of projects to the analysis of information gained. It also seeks to include a diverse network of experts with both science and TK expertise. 	AMAP, PAME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indices reports for migratory birds and land cover change (2015) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indices reports for migratory birds and land cover change (2015) 	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is

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24	2013	ongoing	2. Nomadic herders: enhancing resilience of pastoral ecosystems and livelihoods	Russia	Purpose of this project is to strengthen the sustainability of the pastoralist livelihoods; and to increase the resilience and capacity of the nomadic communities to adapt to change.			None	Awaiting update	Evgeny Syroechkovskiy	ees_jr@yahoo.co.uk
25	2013	2015	3. Arctic Biodiversity Congress	Norway, Canada	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •A major international science and policy conference being held December 2-4, 2014. Objective of the Congress is to promote the conservation and sustainable use of Arctic biodiversity through dialogue among scientists, policy-makers, government officials, industry, civil society and indigenous peoples. •There are Congress case studies and sessions devoted to the ABA recommendation related to TK, including on the co-production of knowledge as well as TK in circumpolar initiatives. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to SAOs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Chairs' statement on conclusions and recommendations (2015) •Congress proceedings (2015) •Case study summary (2015) •Scenario planning summary (2015) •Three theme summaries (2015) 	On-Track	Risa Smith	risa.smith@ec.gc.ca

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26	2013	2015 (delivery of the implementation plan, however, follow-up to the plan will be ongoing)	4. Arctic Biodiversity Assessment Implementation Plan	Canada, Norway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministers directed the development of an implementation plan for the policy recommendations part of the Arctic Biodiversity Assessment (ABA). The ABA was a key deliverable for CAFF in 2013 and included: (1) an Arctic Biodiversity Trends (2010) report; (2) a full ABA Scientific Report and synthesis (2013); (3) compendiums of traditional ecological knowledge (2013); and lastly, (4) the ABA Summary for Policy Makers (2013). The implementation plan is an important product that will help shape the direction of CAFF's work and ensure follow-up to a major Arctic Council assessment. TK was considered in the ABA, including through the creation of TK compendiums as well as specific policy recommendations related to TK. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work is also underway a report entitled, "Understanding Traditional Knowledge on Biodiversity Change in North America", to improve the TK included in the ABA compendium focused on the North American region. Work is underway on the Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity in the Arctic (TEEB) scoping study. 	All WGs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reports to SAOs/Ministers 2015 ABA Implementation Plan (2015) Understanding Traditional Knowledge on Biodiversity Change in North America (2015/2016) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reports to SAOs/Ministers 2015 ABA Implementation Plan (2015) 	On-Track	Trish Hayes, Canada,	Trish.Hayes@ec.gc.ca
27	2013	2017	5. The Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative	Canada, Norway, Russia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arctic Migratory Bird Initiative is a Chairmanshp priority. The project's objective is to improve conservation outcomes for arctic-breeding migratory birds by addressing conservation issues throughout their migratory range. Focus is on three conservation issues: 1. Habitat destruction/degradation; 2. Unsustainable harvest; 3. Bycatch Actual work will be undertaken on a flyway basis, with priority issues identified on each flyway. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress report to SAOs/ Ministers (2015) Flyway Action plans (2015) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress report to SAOs/ Ministers (2015) 	On-Track	Vicky Johnson	vicky.johnson@ec.gc.ca

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28	1992	ongoing	6. Seabird program	Overall chair: Canada. Individual components are led by different countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Seabird program promotes, facilitates, and coordinates conservation, management and research activities among circumpolar countries and improves communication between seabird scientists and managers inside and outside the Arctic. Key activities include work to monitor seabirds (e.g., survival, diets, phenology, and productivity) to explain observed changes in populations as well as provide circumpolar information on the status of seabirds to management agencies in Arctic States. 			Items scheduled for delivery include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circumpolar Seabird Monitoring Plan (2014) 	On-Track	Grant Gilchrist, Canada,	grant.gilchrist@ec.gc.c
29	1992	ongoing	7. Arctic Flora program	Overall chair: US. Individual components are led by different countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CAFF Flora Group (CFG) promotes, encourages and coordinates the international conservation of Arctic flora, vegetation, and habitats as well as research activities. It works to enhance the exchange of information on Arctic flora and vegetation and factors affecting the status and trends in Arctic flora species. A key activity led by the US is the Circumboreal Vegetation Map (CBVM) will develop a global map of the circumboreal forest biome with a common legend. By recognizing the boreal region as a single geo-ecosystem with a common set of cultural, political and economic issues, the CBVM project will be the first detailed vegetation map of the entire global biome. 		Reports to SAOs/Ministers 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moss & Lichen checklists Proceedings of CFG workshops - 2013/14 	On-Track	Stephen Talbot	Stephen_Talbot@fws.gov

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30	2012	ongoing	8. Conservation of biodiversity in a changing Russian Arctic - scoping study	Russia	Assessment activity		Reports to SAOs/Ministers 2011		On-Track	Evgeny Syroechkovskiy	ees_jr@yahoo.co.uk
31	2012	ongoing	9. Arctic Biodiversity Data Service (CAFF)	CAFF Secretariat, Individual components are led by different countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop the online mechanism to house, collect, display and search for Arctic biodiversity related data, maps and graphics for decision making. The Arctic Spatial Data Infrastructure (Arctic SDI) is an initiative from the national mapping organisations of all eight Arctic Council countries to collect and exchange spatially referenced data on the Arctic to create a harmonized map of the entire Arctic region. 	PAME	Reports to SAOs/Ministers 2015	Arctic Biodiversity Data Service – portal and data framework (2015)	On-Track	Tom Barry	tom@caff.is

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Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR)											
32		Ongoing Program - umbrella-project Updated June 2014	1. Arctic Rescue - 2014	Russia	Improve state of preparedness and response along the Russia Northern Sea Route including conducting exercises and conferences		August 19- 21, 2014: Conference in Arkhangelsk		On-Track	Igor Veselov, RF	veselov@mchs.gov.ru
33		Ongoing Program - umbrella-project Updated June 2014	2. Development of Safety Systems in Implementation of Economic and Infrastructure Projects - 2014	Norway, Russia	Improvement of industrial and environmental safety related to economic and infrastructural projects (primarily development of hydrocarbons on the Arctic continental shelf and hydrocarbons transportation)		August 5-7, 2014: International SAR exercise in Varanday		On-Track	Igor Veselov, RF	veselov@mchs.gov.ru
34		Phase I: March 2010-Sept 2014. Phase II: Sept 2013-Sept 2015	3. Arctic Region Oil Spill and Logistics: Environmental Response Management Application (ERMA) Phase I and II	U.S., Canada	Phase I: Develop a GIS tool for oil spill response resource and logistics. Phase II: Use Arctic ERMA in operational exercises with US and Canada.		Phase I: Report to EPPR June 2014 including demonstration. Use of Arctic ERMA available to EPPR. international workshop of data needs for Arctic ERMA (US and Canada) (Feb 2013). Incorporated AMATII database into ERMA. Phase II: Operational testing of Arctic ERMA (Arctic Shield, August 2014 and CANUSNORTH Drill, September 2014). Develop operational data sharing protocol.		On Track	Amy Merten (US)	Amy.Merten@noaa.gov
35		Ongoing Program Updated June 2014	4. Arctic Environmental Hazards and National Mitigation Programs	U.S.	The purpose of this document is to provide broad information on activities in the Arctic that pose a risk to the Arctic environment. The document also discusses the responsibilities of the Arctic states regarding emergency prevention, preparedness and response programs and activities		The document is now complete and approved by EPPR I in June 2014. It will be presented to SAOs for Ministerial approval. Updates of the document may be undertaken when deemed necessary.		On Track	Ann Heinrich (US)	ann.heinrich@nnsa.doe.gov
36	June 2014	December 2014	5. Planning of a Circumpolar Oil Spill Response Gap Analysis	US, Norway, Denmark (TBC)	A Gap Analysis will be the first step. Discussions on how this is being undertaken by lead countries.	AMAP, PAME, CAFF,	Co-leads will develop and circulate a final proposal outlining the gap analysis timeline before the EPPR II meeting in December 2014.	Pending decision by EPPR in December 2014	On-Track	Synnøve Lunde	synnove.lunde@kystverket.no
37		Ongoing program for exercises	6. Radiation Emergency Training and Exercises	Russia, U.S.	Improve emergency preparedness and response capabilities through radiological emergency exercises / Next full-scale exercise planned for mid-2014 in Russia		Emergency Exercise "Arctic 2014" June 23-24, 2014 in Murmansk region. Another exercise is planned for 2016.		On-Track	Ann Heinrich	ann.heinrich@nnsa.doe.gov

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Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR)											
38	October 2011	June 2015	7. Operational Safety and Health of Arctic Oil Spill Response Workers	U.S.	The output will be a supplement to the Arctic Council "Field Guide for Oils Spill response in the Arctic Waters".		Finalized 2014		On Track	George Conway (US)	gconway@cdc.gov
39	May 2013	Ongoing Program Updated June 2014	8. Maintain and update the operational guidelines attached to the Agreement on Cooperation on Marine Oil Pollution Preparedness and Response	Norway/EPPR Chairmanship	Maintain and update the operational guidelines as required				On-track	EPPR Chairmanship	
40	May 2013	Ongoing Program Updated June 2014	9. Coordination and practical implementation of the SAR and OSR Agreements	Norway, U.S., Denmark (TBC)				Letter to SAOs requesting guidance, October 2014	On-track		
41	June 2013	January 2016	10. IMO Guide on Oil Spill Response in Ice and Snow Conditions	Canada, Norway	Development of guide for submission to IMO.	ACAP, AMAP	Finalized 2014 or 2015 pending IMO decision.	AC/EPPR Report to be provided to Ministers 2015.	On-Track	Ole Kristian Bjerkemo	ole-kristian.bjerkemo@kystverket.no
42	June 2013	May 2015	11. EPPR Arctic Guide on oil Spill Response in Ice and Snow Conditions	Canada, Norway	Development of a EPPR/AC Guide based on the final draft IMO Guide, for use in Arctic regions.	ACAP, AMAP	Final product expected May 2015.	AC/EPPR Report to be provided to Ministers 2015.	On Track	Ole Kristian Bjerkemo	ole-kristian.bjerkemo@kystverket.no
43	June 2014	June 2015 for scoping	12. Prevention, Preparedness and Response for small communities	Norway, and ...		AIA and other PPs	Scoping workshop to be held in late 2014 or early 2015 to fully develop the project and fully engage relevant stakeholders, including Permanent Participants and Observers.		On Track	EPPR Chairmanship	

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Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR)											
44	June 2014	June 2015 for scoping	13. Remotely Piloted Aircraft for Emergency Response			AMAP	Scoping workshop to be held in late 2014 or early 2015 to fully develop the project and fully engage relevant stakeholders.		On Track	EPPR Chairmanship	
45	June 2014	December 2014 for scoping	14. Development of a Database of Arctic Response Assets	U.S.			Pending U.S. decision to further develop this project, a new proposal will be brought forward to EPPR II in December 2014.		On Track	David Moore	

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Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (PAME)											
46	2009/2010	Ongoing	1. Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment II (A) (AMSA) – Linking with International Organizations	U.S.	Continue to monitor and identify opportunities to engage with international organizations (IMO, ISO, IALA, WMO etc) to advance implementation of AMSA recommendations		Ongoing as work advances with AMSA implementation. / IALA to give presentation and briefing at PAME II 2013	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
47	2009/2011 HFO Phase II 2011	HFO Phase II Report finalized in Feb 2014	2. AMSA I(B) – IMO Measures for Arctic Shipping	Norway, Russia, U.S.	Actions 1 and 2: Support the work of IMO on developing the Polar Code, including on Heavy Fuel Oil (HFO) in the Arctic / Action 3: Project will include: obtaining and analyzing data on vessel activity; identification of gaps in existing regulatory requirements for use and carriage of HFO; preparation of a risk analysis for present and projected use of HFO		IMO Intercessional Working Group for Polar Code (Sept 30 – Oct 4); expected Polar Code completion in 2014 / Final HFO Phase II Report presented at SAO and deputy ministerial meeting Spring 2014	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period. Additional report on follow-up recommendations to the HFO Phase II project (to be decided at the PAME II-2014 meeting in Sep)	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
48	2009/2010	Ongoing as work advances with AMSA implementation and relevant work within relevant international organizations	3. AMSA I(D) – Strengthen Passenger Ship Safety in Arctic Waters	Canada, Denmark, U.S.	Continue to monitor and support IMO activities to strengthen passenger ship safety and work with passenger ship industry and others to identify and improve best practices. Also see item 10.		Ongoing as work advances with AMSA implementation and relevant work within relevant international organizations	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Additional report for the 2013-2015 period. Report on follow-up recommendations to the AMSA II(D) project (to be decided at the PAME II-2014 meeting in Sep).	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
49	2011	Ongoing, part of SDWG/ICC and AIA activities	4. AMSA II(A) – Survey of Arctic Indigenous Marine Use	PAME Chair	Solicit progress reports from States and PPs on use of marine resources as relevant, including the AIA project on building marine based subsistence mapping capacity in Arctic coastal communities	SDWG/ICC project and AIA	Ongoing work by AIA as per their project on building marine based subsistence mapping capacity in Arctic coastal communities.	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	James Gamble (AIA)	aia@alaska.net

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Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (PAME)											
50	2012	AMSA II(D) Report finalized in Feb 2014	5. AMSA II(D) – Specially Designated Arctic Marine Areas	Canada, Finland, Norway, Russia, U.S.	Develop recommendations on areas with the high seas of the Arctic Ocean that may merit consideration as possible proposals for protective measures in IMO	Linkages with the AMSA II(C) i.e. AMAP, CAFF and SDWG	Final AMSA II(D) Report submitted to the PAME 2014 meeting (Feb) and PAME welcomed their valuable contribution. PAME will discuss next steps at the PAME II-2014 meeting in Sep 2014. Follow-up activities to be discussed at the Sep 2014 PAME meeting with possible activities for inclusion to the PAME	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Anja Esjenberg (NO)	Anja.Eisenberg@md.dep.no
51	2010	Ongoing	6. AMSA II(G) – Address impacts on Marine Mammals	PAME Chair, U.S.	Collaborate with other AC working groups to monitor and provide support for work related to the impact of shipping on marine mammals	AMAP and CAFF, SDWG	Ongoing	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	PAME Secretariat	pame@pame.is
52	2009/2010	Ongoing	7. AMSA II(H) – Reduce Air Emissions	Finland, Norway, Russia, U.S.	Monitor and support IMO work related to black carbon / Encourage continued scientific research related to BC emissions, including a technical definition and appropriate measurement methods and control measures		Ongoing and subject to the work plan of the new Task Force for Actions on Black Carbon and Methane	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
53	2009/2010	Ongoing	8. AMSA III(A) – Address the infrastructure Deficit	Russia, U.S.	Continue to monitor and support initiatives for strengthening Arctic marine infrastructure	SDWG/AMATII project in particular	Ongoing as work advances with AMSA implementation and relevant work within relevant international organizations	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov

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Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (PAME)											
54	2009/2010	Ongoing	9. AMSA III(B) – Arctic Marine Traffic Systems	Russia, U.S.	Build on work related to vessel traffic monitoring and tracking / Explore how States can enhance ability to collect and share information and use it to develop recommendations regarding new vessel traffic measures, location and pre-positioning of SAR resources, and limited impacts on marine and coastal resources and communities		Ongoing as work advances with AMSA implementation and relevant work within relevant international organizations	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
55	2013	Final Report including recommendation to be submitted to the 2015 Ministerial meeting	10. Develop a sustainable tourism initiative	Canada, U.S	Potential elements could include: collecting and assessing existing information on trends and adverse and beneficial impacts; developing an inventory of existing laws, codes, practices, guidelines and best practices; identifying fundamental principles of sustainable tourism; developing best practices / Canada will champion the development of Arctic Cruise Ship Guidelines as part of its AC Chairmanship commitments	AMAP, CAFF and SDWG. Letters sent to all WG Chairs to engage for feedback on the initiative.	Work plan was approved at the PAME I-2014 meeting (Feb) and the 1st Workshop was held in March 2014. Follow-up to be included in the PAME 2015-2017 Work Plan.	Final report on the Arctic Marine Tourism Project (AMTP) "Best Practices".	On-Track	Renee Sauve (CA)	renee.sauve@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
56	2010	Ongoing	11. Update the Arctic Ship traffic data	All Arctic States	Explore opportunities for updating arctic ship traffic data contained in AMSA for use in studies, assessments, trend analysis and development of recommendations that enhance Arctic marine safety (Also see item 9)	SDWG/AMATII	Ongoing and currently in discussion with WWF/ArkGIS to transfer and/or use and further develop the mapping of marine activities in the Arctic marine environment.	TBD	Delayed	PAME Secretariat	pame@pame.is
57	2011	Ongoing	12. AMSA implementation progress report	Canada, Finland, U.S.	Continue to provide biennial AMSA implementation progress reports for submission to AC Ministerial meetings	AMAP, CAFF, EPPR and SDWG as relevant to the follow-up activities of the AMSA Report	The co-leads have started developing this report and will provide the 1st draft to the PAME II-2014 meeting (Sep).	progress/status provided in the "Status of the Implementation of the AMSA 2009 Recommendations" Report for the 2013-2015 period.	On-Track	Renee Sauve (CA)	renee.sauve@dfo-mpo.gc.ca

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Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (PAME)											
58	2011	Final Report submitted and approved by the Apr 2014 SAO meeting	13. Health, Safety and Environmental Management Systems for Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling Activities	U.S.	Findings from the HSE and Safety Culture workshops, Deepwater Horizon investigations, regulatory systems reviews and assessment of management systems in the Arctic are being completed. Recommendations will be developed based on these findings for the final report.	EPPR	<i>Arctic Offshore Oil and Gas Guidelines: Systems Safety Management and Safety Culture Report approved by the March 2014 SAO meeting. Inputs and participation at the TFOPP meetings to ensure synergies and collaboration of efforts. Follow-up activities under consideration by PAME.</i>	General update/status on follow-up of this report as a part of the PAMEs progress report to ministers 2015.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
59	2011	Ongoing	14. Arctic Oil and Gas Management, Regulation and Enforcement (MRE) Web-Based Information Resource	PAME Secretariat	Ongoing / Website (was launched in May 2013 and provides indexed access to information and data on national entities and agencies websites related to management, regulation, and enforcement of Arctic offshore oil and gas activities. (online May 2013) / Annual spring updates	EPPR	Ongoing. Inputs and participation at the TFOPP meetings to ensure synergies and collaboration of efforts.	General update/status on follow-up of this report as a part of the PAMEs progress report to ministers 2015. Website to be opened up for access and will be updated once per year.	On-Track	Elizabeth McLanahan (US)	Elizabeth.McLanahan@noaa.gov
60	2013	Ongoing	15. Arctic Ocean Review follow-up	Canada, Norway, U.S.	Activities to be added based on the findings of the AOR, and approved by SAOs	All working groups as relevant to the AOR Recommendations	Follow-up matrix that has now incorporated other PAME-relevant follow-up activities based on outcomes/recommendations from the 2013 Ministerial meeting		On-Track	Anja Esjensberg (NO)	Anja.Elisenberg@md.dep.no
61	2013	Ministerial meeting 2015	16. Revision of the Arctic Council Marine Strategic Plan (AMSP)	Canada, Iceland, Norway, U.S.	Will take into account relevant outcomes from Kiruna Ministerial for inclusion into a new AMSP	AMAP, CAFF, EPPR and SDWG on marine-related issues	Revised draft AMSP for inputs/guidance at the next SAO meeting (fall 2014).	Final revised Arctic Marine Strategic Plan (AMSP) for the period 2015-2025.	On-Track	Renee Sauve (CA)	renee.sauve@dfo-mpo.gc.ca

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Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (PAME)											
62	2009	ongoing	17. Ecosystem Approach to Management	Norway, U.S.	Continue to work on integrated assessment and comparing case studies / Consider the use of identified areas of heightened ecological significance / Refer to the PAME 2013-2015 Work Plan for further details on activities. PAME will continue with specific projects based on the priorities of the Arctic Council, taking into account outcomes and needs from other Arctic Council work, including the follow-up of the EBM	AMAP, CAFF and SDWG	4th EA Workshop will be held in Vancouver, Canada 16-18 June and a progress report, including a revised Terms of Reference for the PAME-led Ecosystem Approach Expert Group.	Progress Report on the Ecosystem Approach work, including follow-up to the EBM Recommendations of relevance to PAME.	On-Track	Anja Esjenberg (NO)	Anja.Elsenberg@md.dep.no
63	2013	Final Report submitted and approved by the 2014 Ministerial meeting	18. Framework for an Arctic Marine Protected Areas (MPA) Network	Canada , Norway, U.S.	Form an expert group to explore the development of a Pan Arctic framework for a network of Arctic Marine Protected Areas	CAFF, SDWG	The draft framework document is currently under revisions by the MPA Expert Group and will be submitted to the PAME II-2014 meeting for further consideration. The 2nd face-to-face meeting of the MPA Network Expert Group is planned to be convened in association with the next PAME meeting to discuss the Framework and develop recommendations for consideration by PAME.	Final report on the Framework for a Pan-Arctic Marine Protected Area (MPA) Network project - Recommendations.	On-Track	Renee Sauve (CA)	renee.sauve@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
64	2013/2014	Ongoing	19. Follow-up of the Arctic Biodiversity Assessment	PAME	Will follow up on ABA recommendations as appropriate to PAME mandate and incorporated into a implementation plan/follow-up matrix that is being developed for the Arctic Ocean Review recommendations.	CAFF	As per the CAFF's follow-up matrix (under development)		On-Track	CAFF Secretariat	caff@caff.is
65	2013	Ongoing	20. Adaptation Actions for a Changing Arctic (AACA) part c	PAME	Provide input for AACA part C to AMAP as required and Incorporated into a implementation plan/follow-up matrix that is being developed for the Arctic Ocean Review recommendations as it relates to PAMEs mandate.	AMAP	As per the AACA (C) project plan		On-Track	AMAP Secretariat	amap@amap.no

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Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG)											
66	November 2011	Fall 2014	1. Arctic Human Development Report II (AHDR-II)	Iceland, Canada, Kingdom of Denmark	Second assessment on the state of human development in the Arctic.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Atli Mar Sigurdsson (HoD IC)	Atli.Sigurdsson@utn.stjr.is
67	November 2011	2015	2. Assessing, Monitoring and promoting Arctic Indigenous Languages	ICC, Canada, Denmark, U.S.	Program of research, communications, networking, advocacy and action to: reinforce the importance of indigenous languages; assess the state of Arctic indigenous languages; lead and facilitate inter-regional, international, and intergovernmental activities in support of languages; and enhance language exchange and youth engagement.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Closing symposium, Report to Ministers	On-Track	Matt Bender (HoD Canada)	Matt.Bender@ainc-inac.gc.ca
68	November 2011	2015	3. A Circumpolar-wide Inuit Response to the AMSA	ICC, Canada, U.S.	Communicate findings of the AMSA to Inuit and seek guidance on moving AMSA forward / Expand earlier survey on Inuit use of sea and sea ice to assess how current use of sea and sea-ice is impacted by Arctic shipping.	PAME	October 2014 SAO meeting (TBC)	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Matt Bender (HoD Canada)	Matt.Bender@ainc-inac.gc.ca
69	November 2011	Ongoing	4. Electronic Memory of the Arctic	Russia, Norway	Electronic information resources from libraries museums, Arctic Council archives, expert blog of EMA portal will allow experts to discuss issues on history of geographical discoveries and exploration, industry, geology, nature, folklore and literature of the circumpolar world, artistic heritage, ethnography (Russian driven).		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Svetlana Khanyukina (RU)	Svetlana.khanukina@bk.ru

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Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG)											
70	November 2011	2015	5. Reindeer Herding and Youth (EALLIN)	Russia, Norway	Ongoing efforts to maintain and further develop sustainable reindeer husbandry in the Arctic / Work towards a vision of creating a better life for circumpolar reindeer herders / Continue to promote knowledge building.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Svetlana Khanyukina (Russia)	Svetlana.khanukina@bk.ru
71	22-Oct-13	2015	6. Gender and Equity in the Arctic	Iceland, Finland, Norway, Kingdom of Denmark (Faroe Islands), AIA	Build on the 2002 Taking Wing conference on gender equality and women in the Arctic that was organized in 2002. There will be a meeting in Iceland in November 2013 to further scope the parameters of the initiative. / It will also create a network of stakeholders for the Arctic.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Atli Mar Sigurdsson (HoD Iceland)	Atli.Sigurdsson@utn.stjr.is
72	Mar-14	2015	7. Traditional and Local Knowledge	Canada, Permanent Participants	Develop recommendations to integrate traditional and local knowledge into the work of the Council.	IPS / CAFF / AMAP / PAME	March 2015 SAO meeting.	Recommendations for 2015 Ministerial	On-Track	Matt Bender (HoD Canada)	Matt.Bender@ainc-inac.gc.ca
73	22-Oct-13	2015	8. Promoting Mental Wellness in Northern Circumpolar Communities	Canada, Norway, U.S., Russia, Kingdom of Denmark, ICC	Build on previous efforts to improve and develop mental wellness promotion strategies and suicide prevention interventions.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Final Report to Ministers	On-Track	Christian Sylvain (Canadian Institute of Health Research)	

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Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG)											
74	23-Oct-13	2015	9. Facilitating Adaptation to Climate Change	Canada, US, AIA, GCI	Facilitate the ongoing exchange of information, best practices and dissemination of decision-support tools.	Potential involvement of all WGs	March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Beth Lavender	Beth.Lavender@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca
75	24-Oct-13	2015	10. Review of Cancer Among Circumpolar Indigenous Peoples [CircCAN]	Canada, Kingdom of Denmark, ICC	To provide the needed baseline evidence in addition to reviewing valid and reliable surveillance data to support planning and evaluation.		March 2015 SAO meeting.	2015: Report to Ministers	On-Track	Matt Bender (HoD Canada)	Matt.Bender@ainc-inac.gc.ca

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Current Task Forces											
76	2013	2015	Facilitating the Creation of the Arctic Economic Council	Chair: Canada; co-chairs: Russia, Finland and Iceland	The AEC will be looked to as an independent body to promote sustainable economic and social development, and environmental protection. The AEC will also involve indigenous businesses and will provide a venue for all representatives to advance Arctic-oriented interests, share best practices, forge partnerships and engage in deeper cooperation.	N/A	March 2014: SAOs and PPs reach consensus on the document "Facilitating the Creation of the Arctic Economic Council." January 2014: AEC profiled at the Northern Lights in Ottawa, Canada. September-December 2013: TFCBF holds meetings in Reykjavik, St. Petersburg and Helsinki.	Creation of the Arctic Economic Council	On-Track	Mitch Bloom (Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency)	mitch.bloom@canor.gc.ca
77	2013	2015	Arctic Marine Oil Pollution Prevention	Norway, Russia	The Kiruna Declaration calls for a Task Force to be established "...to develop an Arctic Council action plan or other arrangement on oil pollution prevention, and to present the outcomes of its work and any recommendations for further action at the next Ministerial meeting in 2015."	EPPR	June 2014: Task Force meeting in Ottawa, Canada. March 2014: Task Force meeting in Reykjavik, Iceland. January 2014: Task Force meeting in Oslo, Norway.	The goal is to develop an Arctic Council Action Plan on marine oil pollution prevention	On-Track	Else Berit Eikeland	
78	2013	2015	Action on Black Carbon and Methane	Canada, Sweden	Addressing short-lived climate pollutants (SLCPs), such as black carbon and methane, offers the potential for local health benefits as well as substantial near-term climate benefits as part of a comprehensive strategy to address climate change. This initiative builds on the recent scientific and technical work on SLCPs accomplished within the Arctic Council, and complements work already underway in domestic, regional and other international forums, such as the Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC).	ACAP, AMAP	May 2014: 4th Task Force meeting in Helsinki, Finland. April 2014: 3rd Task Force meeting in Moscow, Russia. December 2013: 2nd Task Force meeting in Stockholm, Sweden. September 2013: 1st Task Force meeting in Whitehorse, Canada.	To develop arrangements on actions to achieve enhanced black carbon and methane emissions reductions in the Arctic	On-Track	France Jacovella	France.Jacovella@ec.gc.ca
79	2013	2015	Enhancing Scientific Cooperation in the Arctic	Russia, United States	The Kiruna Declaration calls on the Task Force to "...work towards an arrangement on improved scientific research cooperation among the eight Arctic States."	N/A	April 2014: 2nd Task Force meeting in Helsinki, Finland December 2013: 1st Task Force meeting in Stockholm, Sweden	Recommendations on ways to enhance scientific cooperation	On-Track	Gustaf Lind (SE)	gustaf.lind@gov.se

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Canadian Chairmanship Initiatives											
80	2013	2015	Promoting Traditional Ways of Life	Chairmanship, Finland, GCI	An education and advocacy strategy aimed at promoting the traditional ways of life of Arctic inhabitants.	N/A	May 2014: Call for best practices sent to Senior Arctic Officials and Permanent Participants.	Develop a compendium of best practices on promoting traditional ways of life Develop an advocacy plan to promote the traditional ways of life of Arctic inhabitants.	On-Track	Bev Young	Beverley.Young@international.gc.ca
81	2013	2015	Strengthening the Arctic Council	Chairmanship	Main outcomes of this work are to: improve administrative processes, enhance the profile of the Arctic Council and enhance PP capacity. Examples of this include: tracking and reporting on the Council's work; increasing collaboration and coordination with international organizations; developing and archiving project with in-kind contributions from Library and Archives Canada; evaluating PP capacity, including funding; and promoting youth engagement.	Varies by component	Archiving project plan and records management needs assessment developed by Library and Archives Canada, in consultation with the Arctic Council Secretariat. Tracking tool developed with the six Arctic Council Working Groups. Presentation by the IMO Secretary General at the Yellowknife SAO meeting (March 2014) Research and survey conducted on enhancing Permanent Participant capacity	Improved records management practices. Tracking on all ongoing Arctic Council initiatives. Improved administrative processes. Recommendations for enhancing Permanent Participant capacity.	On-Track	Jeannette Menzies and Matt Sancton	Jeannette.Menzies@international.gc.ca Matthew.Sancton@international.gc.ca
Other AC Projects											
82	2011		Arctic Resilience Report	Sweden	Identify the potential for shocks and large shifts in ecosystem services that affect human well-being in the Arctic / Analyze how different drivers of change interact in ways that affect the ability to withstand shocks / Evaluate strategies for adaptation and transformation in the face of rapid change	AMAP (AACA part C)	2015: Report to Ministers		Unknown	Marcus Carson	marcus.carson@sei-international.org