

AGENDA

TUESDAY | 20 January 2026



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8:00 a.m. **Registration**

8:30 a.m. **Call to Order**

Invocation

Swearing in of new commissioners

Nuiqsut (remaining term), Barrow, Wainwright, Pt. Hope, Savoonga

Roll Call & Declaration of Quorum

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of 3rd Triannual Meeting Minutes

Chairman's Welcome

John Hopson, Jr., Chairman

Introductions

Crawford Patkotak, Vice Chairman

Keynote Address

Josiah Patkotak, Mayor, North Slope Borough

Executive Director's Report

Lesley Hopson

2025 Financial Audit

Altman, Rogers & Co

Financial Report & Whaling Tax Credit

Sarah Espelin, CPA, Espelin & Associates LLC

Grants / Operations Report

Jenny Evans

12:00 p.m. **Lunch**

1:30 p.m. **ConocoPhillips Winter Activity Update**

Maniksaq Baumgartner, Director, Village Outreach

QA

AOOS/AEWC Backyard Buoy Project

Martin Edwardsen, Jenny Evans, Sheyna Wisdom

EXECUTIVE SESSION 1: INTERNAL

(Whaling Captains, staff, NSB)

Bowhead Health Report

Dr. Raphaela Stimmelmeyer, NSB Dept. of Wildlife Management

Legal Report

Earl Comstock

Wrap up / Adjourn

Door Prizes

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WEDNESDAY | 21 January 2026



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8:30 a.m. **Call to Order**
Invocation
Roll Call

EXECUTIVE SESSION 2: IWC & Bowhead Science Discussion

(Whaling Captains, staff, NSB, U.S. IWC delegation, Makah)

Update & discussion on IWC activities

Ryan Wulff, Acting US IWC Commissioner
Earl Comstock, Legal Counsel, AEWC

NSB DWM Bowhead Science Report & Abundance Survey Update

Dr. John Citta, NSB DWM

12:00 p.m. **Lunch**

SHARED WATERWAYS: RESEARCH / OIL & GAS INDUSTRY UPDATES

1:30 p.m. **Santos Activity Update**
Patrick Conway, Meghan Dotten, Cindy Bailey
QA

Hilcorp Activity Update
Matt Shuckerow
QA

Narwhal Exploration, LLC 2026 Activities
Shawn Gelsinger
QA

Alaska Arctic Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil & Gas Leasing
Kelly Hammerle, BOEM National Program Director
Mick Bradway, BOEM Acting Regional Director - Alaska
QA

Characterization of Melt Processes on Landfast Ice
Wesley J. Moses, Physical Scientist, US Navy Research Laboratory
QA

US Interagency/International Arctic Buoy Program
Dr. Ignatius Rigor, US Navy Research Laboratory
QA

Alaska LNG Project Update
Lisa Haas, Environment, Regulatory, Lands Manager
QA

NMFS Alaska Region Update
Anne Marie Eich, Alaska Region Protected Resources Division, National Marine Fisheries Service
QA

Wrap up / Adjourn

Door Prizes

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THURSDAY | 22 January 2026



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8:30 a.m. **Call to Order**
Invocation
Roll Call

EXECUTIVE SESSION 3: Internal Discussion

(Whaling Captains, staff, NSB)

Internal Discussion Re: University of Rochester MOA
Earl Comstock / Dr. John Citta

EXECUTIVE SESSION 4: Aboriginal Subsistence Harvest Sustainability Program

(Whaling Captains, staff, NSB)

ASHSP Program Update
Harry Brower, Jr., Chairman / Billy Adams

Penthrite Manufacturing Update
Mike Till & Mike Canaday, Advanced Technology

ASHSP Hunter Training Working Group Update
Harry Brower, Jr., Arnold Brower, Jr., Billy Adams

12:00 p.m. **Lunch**

HUNTER TRAINING: TOUR OF ARG FACILITY & SPLICING DEMONSTRATION

1:30 p.m. **Meet at the hotel for the shuttle to ARG**
Shuttle will depart promptly at 1:45 p.m. Those who miss the shuttle must call a taxi or arrange their own transportation.

ARG: Facility Tour & Splicing Demonstration
6407 Arctic Spur Rd. | Anchorage, AK 99518

4:15 p.m. **Shuttle from ARG to Downtown Marriott**
Shuttle will depart promptly at 4:15 p.m. Those who miss the shuttle must call a taxi or arrange their own transportation.

Wrap up / Adjourn

Door Prizes

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FRIDAY | **23 January 2026**



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8:30 a.m. **Call to Order**
Invocation
Roll Call

ANNUAL WHALING CAPTAINS CONVENTION

Village Concerns

Kaktovik, Wainwright, Gambell, Kivalina, Wales, Savoonga, Pt. Hope, Pt. Lay, Barrow,
Nuiqsut, Diomede

Determine Meeting Dates / Locations

2nd & 3rd Triannual Meetings 2026
Annual Whaling Captains Convention 2027

Election & Swearing in of Board Officers (Re-organization)

Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer

Committee Sessions

Resolutions Committee (Staffing: Earl)
Credentials Committee (Staffing: Lesley & Isabell)
Research Committee (Staffing: John Citta & Jenny)

Preparation of Resolutions

Village Caucus on Resolutions

Action on Final Resolutions

Wrap up / Adjourn

Door Prizes