



**DRAFT Agenda**  
**United States Arctic Research Commission's 115<sup>th</sup> Meeting**  
**Fairbanks, AK**  
**October 25-26, 2022**

**501 Akasofu Building, University of Alaska Fairbanks, AK 99517**  
**Commission will receive public comments from 11:30 am to noon on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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**Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30 – 9:15 A.M.**      **Meeting convenes:** Welcome and introductions by M. Sfraga (*Chair, USARC*)  
**Approval of meeting agenda**  
**Univ. of Alaska Fairbanks senior official welcome** (*Chancellor D. White, UAF*)  
**International Arctic Research Center** (*Founding Director IARC, Syun-Ichi Akasofu*)  
**State of Alaska welcome** (*Lt. Gov. K. Meyer, State of Alaska*)  
**OSTP Update** (*Deputy Director OSTP, A. Nelson, OSTP*)  
**IARPC Update** (*Assistant Director OSTP, L. Hinzman, OSTP*)
- 9:15 – 9:30 A.M.**      **USARC Goals Report introduction** (*M. Sfraga, Chair, USARC*)
- 9:30 – 10:30 A.M.**      **Goal 1: Environmental Risks and Hazards**  
Alaska Geophysics Arctic Observing Network (*M. West, Geophysical Institute/UAF*)  
Wildfires (*R. Jandt, Int'l Arctic Research Center/UAF*)  
Permafrost Risk & Hazards Study (*W. Schnabel, College of Engineering & Mines/UAF*)
- 10:30 – 10:45 A.M.**      **Break**
- 10:45 – noon**      **Goal 2: Health and Well-being**  
Decoding Pathogens in Permafrost (*D. Drown, Inst. of Arctic Biology/UAF*)  
An integrative explanatory model of prenatal care in interior AK (*E. Drew, Anthro./UAF*)  
Update on the Alaska Native Collaborative Hub for Research on Resilience (ANCHRR)  
(*S. Rasmus, Center for Alaska Native Health Research, Inst. of Arctic Biology/UAF*)  
Update on the AK Native Language Center (*H. Peter, AK Native Language Ctr./UAF*)
- noon – 1:00 P.M.**      **Break**
- 1:00 – 2:00 P.M.**      **Goal 3: Infrastructure**  
Arctic Enviro. & Engin. Data & Design Support Sys. (*S. Rupp, Int'l Arctic Res. Ctr./UAF*)  
Determining the impact of climate change on the supply and variability of local renewable energy (*U. Bhatt and David Newman, Geophysical Institute/UAF*)  
Arctic Development Infrastructure Center (*W. Connor, College of Eng. & Mines/UAF*)
- 2:00 – 3:00 P.M.**      **Goal 4: Economic Research**  
Alaska Blue Economy Center (*J. Sternberg, UAF*)  
"Permafrost Grown" Project (*G. Gannon, Inst. for Ag., Natural Resources & Extension/UAF*)  
Small-Scale Nuclear Energy in the Arctic (*G. Roe, Arctic Energy Office/DOE*)
- 3:00 – 3:30 P.M.**      **Break**

