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North Slope Science Initiative Science Technical Advisory Panel to meet in Anchorage

The North Slope Science Initiative (NSSI) Science Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) will meet Nov. 7 and 8, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. both days in Room 102 of the Robert B. Atwood Building, 550 W. 7th Ave., Anchorage, Alaska. There will be an opportunity for public comment from 3:30 p.m. – 4 p.m. on Nov. 7. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited.

The NSSI is an intergovernmental effort to increase collaboration on the science needed to make informed decisions related to development and environmental change on Alaska's North Slope and its adjacent seas. The STAP provides advice and recommendations to the NSSI regarding priority research and monitoring needs for management decisions.

The meeting will include consideration of recommendations resulting from the recent North Slope Development Scenarios Project, continued development of a communication plan to facilitate NSSI actions for ensuring effective coordination of monitoring and research activities, and evaluation and development of strategies for minimizing effects of monitoring and research activities on North Slope residents and associated subsistence resources.

The agenda will be available at <http://www.blm.gov/alaska>.

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