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United States Arctic Research Commission's 121st Meeting Harbor Room, Best Western Inn, 236 West Rezanof Drive, Kodiak, AK November 4-5, 2025

Commission will take public comments from 11:30 am to noon Alaska time on November 5th, 2025

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Phone: (267)930-4000 Participant code: 333977104

Tuesday, November 4th

- 8:30 – 8:45 A.M.** **Meeting convenes:** Welcome and introductions by L. Mayer (*Chair, USARC*)
Opening remarks: (*J. Griffin, Kodiak Island Borough Mayor and others TBD*)
State of Alaska welcome (*D. Evenson, DFG State of Alaska*)
Approval of meeting agenda and minutes from 120th meeting
- 8:45 – 9:00 A.M.** **Briefing on USARC's new document: USARC Research Needs for a Secure and Prosperous Arctic** (*L. Mayer, Chair, USARC*)
- 9:00 – 9:15 A.M.** **Update from the State of Alaska** (*D. Evenson, DFG State of Alaska*)
- 9:15 – 10:00 A.M.** **Wildlife research**
Kodiak Bear Research and Management (*L. Van Daele, Kodiak Brown Bear Trust*)
Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak Research Programs: Invasive Species and Marine Mammal Stranding Response (*D. Smith* and M. Van Daele, Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak*)
- 10:00 – 10:30 A.M.** **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:45 A.M.** **Fisheries Research and Aquaculture**
UAF Marine Advisory Program Kodiak: HABs Research (*J. Matweyou, Alaska Sea Grant/UAF*)
Bering Sea Crab Research Overview (*M. Litzow, NOAA*)**
- 11:45 – 12:45 P.M.** **Lunch**
- 12:45 – 1:45 P.M.** **Fisheries Research and Aquaculture, cont.**
Alaska's kelp industry: a history of growth (*N. Mangini, Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference*)
UAF Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center (*M. Good, Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center*)
Kelp Farming and Mariculture in Kodiak (*L. Meyer, Kodiak Archipelago Leadership Institute*)
- 1:45 – 3:30 P.M.** **Walking field trip:**
- **Kodiak Fisheries Research Center: Kodiak Island Limnology Laboratory/Alaska Fisheries Science Center Kodiak Laboratory**
- **Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center**

3:30 – 3:45 P.M.	Break
3:45 – 4:45 P.M.	Community-based Research Investing in Sustainable Communities (<i>M. Lyons, Kodiak Archipelago Leadership Institute</i>) Alutiiq Museum Overview (<i>A. Counciller and A. Lancaster, Alutiiq Museum</i>)
4:45 – 5:00 P.M.	Discussion/recap of Day 1 takeaways (<i>L. Mayer, Chair, USARC</i>)
5:00 P.M.	Meeting adjourns
<u>Wednesday, November 5th</u>	
8:30 – 10:00 A.M.	Commission Business Session (<i>closed</i>)
10:00 – 10:20 A.M.	Break
10:20 – 10:30 A.M.	Public Meeting reconvenes: Brief welcome and introduction by L. Mayer (<i>Chair, USARC</i>), and R. McCoy (<i>Director, Geophysical Institute, UAF</i>)
10:30 – 11:30 A.M.	Energy, Shipping and Risks/Hazards Hydroelectric, Wind Power and Energy Storage on Kodiak Island (<i>D. Menth, Kodiak Electric Association</i>) Volcanoes and Volcano Monitoring in Alaska (<i>D. Fee*, Alaska Volcano Observatory</i>) Arctic Shipping Update (<i>M. Treadwell, Treadwell Development</i>)
11:30 – 12:00 P.M.	Public Comment Session (Phone: (267)930-4000 Participant code: 333977104)
12:00 – 1:30 P.M.	Lunch
1:30 – 2:30 P.M.	Aerospace Research Session: - Pacific Spaceport Complex/Alaska Aerospace Corporation (<i>J. Oberst, Alaska Aerospace</i>) - UAF-GI Aerospace Research Overview (<i>R. McCoy, UAF Geophysical Institute</i>) - High-frequency Active Auroral Research Program (<i>R. McCoy, UAF Geophysical Institute</i>) - Poker Flat Research Range (<i>R. McCoy, UAF Geophysical Institute</i>)
3:00 – 3:30 P.M.	Break
3:30 – 4:45 P.M.	Moderated Discussion: the future of aerospace research in Alaska (<i>Moderator: M. Treadwell, Treadwell Development</i>)
4:45 – 5:00 P.M.	Recap of Day 2 takeaways and closing remarks (<i>L. Mayer, Chair, USARC</i>)
5:00 P.M.	Meeting adjourns

**Via Zoom*

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