

### About this Document

Starting in 2023, US AON interviewed many people about risk management and hazard mitigation in the Alaskan Arctic, focusing on how observing and data gaps impact risks and hazards. These interviews helped US AON understand themes and shared concerns. The input provide guides ongoing work to assess strengths and gaps in the observing system. The list below includes people who were interviewed ("met") or who shared documents or other reference material ("contributed content"). US AON values the many contributions reflected here. Interviews will resume during "round two" of this work. Participating in an interview does not imply endorsement of US AON or it's ongoing work. This document was last updated May 2025.

Input Method	Organization Type	Entity	Specific Office or Program	Who	Focus
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NWS	Scott Lindsey, Director - NWS AK, Becki Heim	Coastal & riverine erosion/innudation, sea spray/icing events, landslides, avalanche, tsunamics
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	USGS	Dee Williams, Deputy Regional Director for Science, AK; Elizabeth Powers, research scientist; Jeff Conway, stream gage network	Coastal innundation, rivers, landscape/beaver
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NWS	Crane Johnson, Celine VanBruekelen, NWS River Forecast Center	River watch
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NESDIS	Jessie Cherry	NCEI's Alaska Region Climate Services
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NWS	Kitty Sopow, Alaska Environmental Science and Service Integration Center, NOAA/NWS Alaska Region	Sea ice service engagement in rural AK (e.g. Nome)
Met	University	UAF	Sea Grant, Nome	Gay Sheffield	Sea Grant mission in Nome
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	AOOS	Sheyna Wisdom, Executive Director; Molly McCammon, Senior Advisor	AOOS scope, Arctic ERMA, Backyard Buoys, HABS,
Met	Federal Agency	Denali Commission	Denali	Erik O'Brien, Jocelyn Fenton	Infrastructure vulnerability, rural development
Met	Federal Agency	HUD	AK Region Officce	Chad Stovall	Infrastructure vulnerability, rural development
Met	Private	Port of Nome	Port of Nome	Joy Baker and Lucas Stotts	navigation and port issues
Met	Tribal Organization	Kawerak	Environmental Section - Marine Advocate	Anna Rose MacArthur	Broad
Met	State of Alaska	DEC	DEC	Dani Evenson, Gary Mendivil, Jeff Bruno	Broad
Met	State of Alaska	DFG	DFG	Dani Evenson, Gary Mendivil, Jeff Bruno	Broad
Met	State of Alaska	DGGS	DGGS	Dani Evenson, Gary Mendivil, Jeff Bruno	Broad
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NMFS	Bob Foy, Maggie Mooney-Seus, Mabel Baldwin-Schaeffer	Fisheries related issue
Met	Federal Agency	IARPC	PA4 Leadership Team	Steve Gray, Tom Douglas, John Vehmeyer	Broad
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	BOEM	Cathy Coon	Off shore hazards for NEPA, oil spill stuff, bathymetry,

Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NOS	Jaci Overbeck, Office for Coastal Management and Tim Steffen	AK Water Level Watch & NOAA NWS Marine Program
Met	University	UAF	ACCAP	Rick Thoman, Sarah Trainor, Nathan Kettle, John Walsh	Mission areas related to extreme events + broader topics
Met	NGO, Non-profit	Northern Latitude Partnerships	Northern Latitude Partnerships	Aaron Poe	General
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NESDIS/JPSS/UAF GINA	Jeremy Goldstein, Bill Sjoborg, Jen D.	GINA and JPSS capabilities
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	NPS	Jim Lawler	Inventory and Monitoring Program Manager
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	OAR	GML Leadership	Ozone and methane
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NOS	Response and Restoration, Doug Helton (modeler from AFE with EPPR ties)	Oil spills and other large pollution events
Met	University	UAF	Sea Grant, State-Wide	Ginny Eckhart, Davin Holen	Adapt Alaska and lot's on coastal and riverine erosion
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NOS	Holman	Broad
Met	Federal Agency	NSF	NNA CO	Jenna Vater, Matt D.	Borad, Risks and Hazards work in NNA portfolio
Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NOS	Marine Debris, Peter Murphy, Alaska Regional Coordinator	Marine Debris
Met	Federal Agency	Smithsonian	Arctic Studies Center	Igor Krupnik	<a href="https://www.amazon.com/Arctic-Crashes-People-Animals-Changing/dp/1944466347">"Arctic Crashes" https://www.amazon.com/Arctic-Crashes-People-Animals-Changing/dp/1944466347</a>
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	BSSE	Justin Miller, Regional manager for BSSE; Guillermo Auad, Senior Research Coordinator for BSSE	Oil facility management - risks of enviornmental pollution, oil spills
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	BLM Alaska Fire Service	Jenn Jenkins, Heidi	Wildfire managment ( <a href="https://fire.ak.blm.gov/">https://fire.ak.blm.gov/</a> )
Met	Tribal Organization	Native Community of St. Paul Island, Indigenous Sentinels Network	Ecosystem Conservation Office	Hannah Marie Garcia, Hanna Helene	Broad
Met	Federal Agency	DoD	Stevenson Center	M.T. Bell Jr., RADM, USCG (Ret) Dean, School of Arctic and Climate Studies, Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security Studies	Broad
Met	State of Alaska	Alaska Climate Research Center	Alaska Climate Research Center ( <a href="https://akclimate.org/">https://akclimate.org/</a> )	Martin Stuefeler and Leah Hartl	State Climatologist

Met	Federal Agency	NOAA	NOS	LCDR Bart Buesseler, former AK Regional Navigation Manager	Navigation
Met	Federal Agency	DOE	BER "Science", ARM & ASR	Sally McFarlane, Gary Gernheart	Broad
Met	Private	Alaska Marine Exchange	Alaska Marine Exchange	Edric Carrillo	Navigation and Marine Pollution
Met	University	AK Climate Adaption Science Center	AK Climate Adaption Science Center	Scott Rupp, Allison Bidlack, Jessica Garron. Note, Steve Grey is the Fed-side of this program	Broad, Scenarios Networks for Alaska and Arctic Planning (SNAP)
Met	Tribal Organization	AK Climate Adaption Science Center	Tribal Liaison	Malinda Chase	Tribal Liason
Met	NGO, Non-profit	Woodwell Climate	Woodwell Climate - Specific Section (TK)	Anna Liljedahl	Permafrost
Met	Federal Agency	DHS	FEMA-10	Jennifer N. Adleman FEMA Region 10	Hosting: Alaska Local and Tribal Hazard Mitigation Planning Workshop
Met	Private	Wolfert	FAA Alaska, ASOS	Greg Dyer	Aviation Safety, ASOS/AWOS
Met	University	UAA	ISER	Mike Jones	Aviation Safety, ASOS/AWOS
Met	Federal Agency	EPA	AK-Region	Tami Fordham, Santana Gay	Broad
Met	Federal Agency	NASA	HQ and JPL/Applied Sciences	Thorsten Markus, Cindy Schmidt, Shanna McClain	Broad
Met	State of Alaska	Climate and Cryospher Hazards Program	State's climate & cryospheric hazards program out of the Dept of Natural Resources Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys ( <a href="https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken">https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken</a> <a href="https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken">https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken</a> ).	Gabe Wolken	Runs the State's climate & cryospheric hazards program out of the Dept of Natural Resources Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys ( <a href="https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken">https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken</a> <a href="https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken">https://dggs.alaska.gov/pubs/staff/gjwolken</a> ).
Met	Federal Agency	DOE	Arctic Energy Office	Erin Whitney, Matt Heavner	Energy security and infrastructure issues
Met	Federal Agency	NSF	AAOKH	Donna Hauser, Roberta Glenn	Community-led observing
Met	Federal Agency	State Department	Arctic council portfolio	Mike Young (while Nathan S. on leave)	This will improve our wildfire dialog

Met	University	University	Arctic Coastal Geosciences Lab, Arctic Polaris Project	Chris Maio	Referred by AK Sea Grant I am a coastal geographer and educator applying the principles of geomorphology and stratigraphy; integrated with high resolution geophysical, geospatial, and sedimentary tools to research and educate about earth surface processes: specifically related to the coastal response to climate change, natural hazards, and human impacts
Met	Tribal Organization	ANTHC	ANTHC, Center for Environmentally Threatened Communities	Max Neale	<u>Environmentally threatened communities</u>
Met	Tribal Organization	Tribal Org	Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Tribal Consortium (AYK TC) Government Affairs, Policy Director	Mellisa Maktuayaq Johnson	This feels like a good fit since Hazel, and to a lesser extent myself, have worked with Maktuayaq on IARPC-related things.
Met	University	UAF	ACRC	Lea Hartl	Would like general updates & following along w the process
Met	University	Dartmouth		Paul Thompson	Interested in: Providing feedback on the content analysis Meeting with the US AON team to discuss scoping this effort
Met	Tribal Organization	Tribal Org	Aleutian Pribilof Island Association	Karen Pletnikoff	Broad, marine hazards
Met	Federal Agency	Denali	Federal Chair of Denali Commission	Liza Mack	An AFE 2024 Virtual Technical Session is happening today; Disaster Resilience: Tribal Coalitions & Other Solutions. This session will begin today, Wednesday, April 10 at 11:00am AKST.  Disaster Resilience: Tribal Coalitions & Other Solutions
Met	University	UTEP	DHS oil storage	Craig Tweedie	DHS oil storage
Met	NGO, Non-profit	Alaska Venture Fund, UAA	Alaska Venture Fund - Wildfire - UAA	Jeff, Kenni & Jen Schmidt	Wildland fire
Met	University	UAA	ISER	Mike Jones	Aviation Weather
Met	University	University	UAF, work funded by NANA	Caitlynn Hana	<u><a href="https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2022/12/alaska-rivers-rust-climate-change-permafrost/672475/">Water quality, Alaska River Rusting:</a></u> <u><a href="https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2022/12/alaska-rivers-rust-climate-change-permafrost/672475/">https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2022/12/alaska-rivers-rust-climate-change-permafrost/672475/</a></u>
Met	Federal Agency	DOI	BLM, Fire Operations	Jenn Jenkins	Hot spots and fire perimeters
Met	University	University of Colorado	NSIDC	Andy Barrett	Rain on Snow Events
Met	University	UAF	Contract with Denali Commission	Erin Trochim	Statewide Threat Assessment
Contributed Content	University	UAF	CIOCES, EPSCOR	Uma Bhaat	Broad

Contributed Content	University	Alaska Fire Science Consortium	Alaska Fire Science Consortium	Allison York	wildfire management
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	IARPC	Secretariat	Sorina Stalla	<a href="#">PA4 Policy Briefs</a>
Contributed Content	Tribal Organization	ANTHC	Climate Initiatives	Jackie Schaffer	<a href="#">ANTHC Unmet needs report, sponsored by NOAA</a>
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	NOAA	AK Next Gen Satellite Report	NESDIS-wide meeting co-chaired by Jessie Cherry and Jen Delamere	Broad
Contributed Content	State of Alaska	DGGS	State and Federal Programs Section Manager: Community Resilience and Sustainability, State of Alaska, Community and Regional Affairs	Sally Russell Cox	<a href="https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ef0e3cb3b47945bfb8baf2e6cf7b4a70">https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ef0e3cb3b47945bfb8baf2e6cf7b4a70</a>
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	USDA	Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)	Alan Mcbee, USDA	Landscape monitoring. NRCS Alaska provides technical and financial assistance to farmers, ranchers, forest owners and Alaska Native Tribes/entities to conserve natural resources and improve food security, subsistence and climate-smart agriculture.
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	Alaska Innovation Landscape Network (AILN) and Permafrost	Portfolio Manager, DoD SERDP/ESTCP Research Physical Scientist, US Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory	Michelle Michaels	
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	ONR	Arctic and Oceans Program Manager (Board Member)	Scott Harpter	
Contributed Content	Tribal Organization	Rising Voice - Changing Coasts	Rising Voice - Changing Coasts	Kaare Erickson, Marika Holland	
Contributed Content	University	NNA	Convergence WG - Infrastructure	Vera Kuklina and Hannah Bradley	
Contributed Content	NGO, Non-profit	National Climate Assessment - Alaska	Lead Author	Henry Huntington	I think Henry would be useful to engage about this; pointing us toward the most relevant content in the NCA, etc.

Contributed Content	State of Alaska	State of Alaska, ADFG	Alaska Regional Response Team	<a href="https://www.alaskarrt.org/LinkPage?site=arrt&amp;page=members">https://www.alaskarrt.org/LinkPage?site=arrt&amp;page=members</a>	Pollution/Oil Spills. As an advisory board to the Federal On Scene Coordinator (FOSC), the Alaska Regional Response Team provides federal, state, and local governmental agencies with the means to participate in response to pollution incidents.
Contributed Content	University	UAF	RATIC, UAF Institute of Arctic Biology	Jana Peirce	Would like to stay informed
Contributed Content	University	UAF	NEON, Delta Junction, Alaska, to measure aerosol composition and size distribution ( <a href="https://ascent.research.gatech.edu/delta-junction">https://ascent.research.gatech.edu/delta-junction</a> )	Jingqiu Mao	Air quality, wildfire smoke, etc.
Contributed Content	State of Alaska	Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management	Mitigation	State Hazard Mitigation Plan	State Hazard Mitigation Plan
Contributed Content	Federal Agency	EPA	RPT and Region 10	Tanya L. Spero, Nicole L. Briggs, and Lauren Boldrick	Impacts of Permafrost Thaw on AK