Agenda for the Cook Inlet Beluga Whale (CIBW) AMSS Workshop

Friday January 31, 2020

0830-1630hrs

Hotel Captain Cook - Voyager Room

**0830-1200 – Closed Session: CIBW Recovery Implementation Task Force (TF).**

0830-1000 – Individual TF committees meet

1015-1040 – Research committee presents to the entire TF

1040-1105 – Habitat and Threats Management committee presents to the entire TF

1105-1130 – Outreach committee presents to the entire TF

1130-1200 – Questions

1200-1300 – Lunch (on your own)

**1300-1330 – Open Session**

1300-1310 – Summary of Research Committee TF (Paul Wade)

1310-1320 – Summary of Habitat and Threats Management Committee TF (Erika

Ammann/Moira Ingle)

1320-1330 – Summary of Outreach Committee TF (Julie Speegle/Sue Goodglick)

1330-1400 – Update on population abundance and trend for CIBW (Paul Wade)

1400-1615 – PVA, recovery, and research actions for CIBW (led by Amanda Warlick & Stephanie Thurner)

The primary goal of this session is to solicit and gather expert knowledge and insights into factors influencing beluga distribution patterns and population dynamics, in addition to the population-level information that is still needed to support recovery efforts.

Aerial survey: exploring survey designs to support estimation of abundance and trends (Stephanie Thurner)

Population modeling: what we know and what we don't (Gina Himes Boor, Amanda Warlick)

Population viability analysis and next steps discussion: existing data gaps and plan for future work (Amanda Warlick)

1615-1630 – Closing discussion