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NNA Annual Community Meeting, November 8-10

The NNA Annual Community Meeting 2021 will be held virtually this year using the conference app Whova. The [public meeting site](#) contains the meeting agenda and speaker information. Using the link sent to their emails, meeting registrants can log into the Whova portal to set personalized agendas, access meeting documents and links, engage with other participants through virtual networking and discussion boards, and more. We encourage registrants to interactively participate in the meeting through these Whova features as much as possible. All sessions will be available directly via Zoom as well for those who do not wish to utilize Whova. [Please continue to register for the meeting here.](#)

The annual meeting will be held on November 8-10, 2021, from 8:00am-1:30pm Alaska / 12:00pm-5:30pm Eastern each day. Held in cooperation between the NNA-CO and the National Science Foundation's (NSF) NNA Working Group, this meeting will provide an

important opportunity for NNA project teams, Arctic community members, Indigenous and Traditional knowledge holders, decision makers and other experts to gather to discuss and highlight progress, opportunities, and challenges across the NNA initiative.

For questions regarding the annual meeting or the Whova platform, email:
contact@nna-co.org.



NNA-CO Hosts Virtual Indigenous Gathering Open House

The NNA-CO Community Extension Office at Alaska Pacific University invites you to attend a virtual **Indigenous Gathering Open House** (Nov. 3, 2021 from 1:00-3:00pm AK time) to meet the team, learn about the Extension Office, and provide feedback on how we can best serve and support community needs, priorities and research interests. Research interests can include (but are not limited to) topics such as Traditional Knowledge preservation and sharing, language revitalization, subsistence activities, food/water security, and environmental science including climate change. **We encourage all Tribal leaders, Indigenous knowledge holders, culture bearers, Elders, students and community members to attend.** We value your input and suggestions for shaping the Office's goals and vision for the future.

Please [register for this meeting through the Zoom link](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting, and attendees will be entered to win the door prize! Please feel free to forward and share with your network.

If you cannot attend this event, but wish to be contacted about future gatherings, events or other Community Extension Office news and updates, please [add your information to this contact form](#). We aim to host regular convenings in the future. Your gifts of wisdom and guidance are invaluable to the long-term sustainability and service of the Community Extension Office.

SAVE THE DATE

2021 Navigating the New Arctic Annual Community Meeting

Indigenous Gathering Open House

November 3rd, 2021

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Alaska Time

Virtual event via Zoom

**REGISTER
HERE**



Details: Come meet the NNA-Community Office & provide feedback or suggestions on how the APU Community Extension Office can best serve and support community interests, needs or research priorities. Door prize draw!

Questions? Email Karli at ktyancehassell@alaskapacific.edu



Call for Papers

Environmental Research Letters Special Issue - "Focus on Arctic Change: Transdisciplinary Research and Communication"

An increasing number of research projects worldwide focus on the challenges associated with changes across the circumpolar Arctic. The need for transdisciplinary approaches has been progressively recognized in order to study the numerous impacts of global warming on Northern high-latitude ecosystems, given the complexity of the multiple interacting processes. The goal of this special issue is to gather contributions focusing on, but not limited to, the following themes discussing and presenting novel creative ways to enhance:

- science communication, education and outreach tools, and co-production of knowledge,
- integration of social and natural science approaches,
- Indigenous and collaborative approaches to adaptation, mitigation, and risk perception,
- socio-economic modelling in relation to Arctic environmental change,
- examining the impacts of permafrost thaw and erosion and other phenomena related to health, pollution, and infrastructure stability.

This special issue invites papers that bring together researchers from both social and natural sciences, as well as Indigenous knowledge holders. [Click here for more information.](#)

Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management (ATCEM) - November 15-19

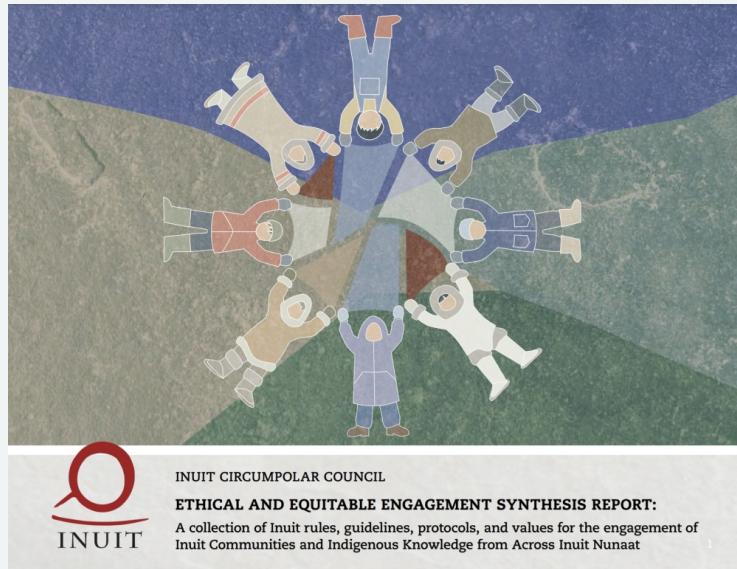
For 27 years, the [Alaska Tribal Conference on Environmental Management](#) has been a vital networking space for Tribal environmental professionals from across the state to learn from one another, connect with support organizations and agencies, and discover resources to help assist in efforts to improve local environmental health. The conference will take place virtually this year, from November 15-19, 2021. [Register for the conference here.](#)



Suggested Reading: Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) Ethical and Equitable Engagement Synthesis Report

A collection of Inuit rules, guidelines, protocols, and values for the engagement of Inuit communities and Indigenous knowledge from across Inuit Nunaat.

[Read the report here.](#)



Early Career Fellowship Opportunities

The [International Arctic Science Committee \(IASC\)](#), the [Sustainable Development Working Group \(SDWG\)](#) of the Arctic Council, the [International Arctic Social Sciences Association \(IASSA\)](#), the [Sustaining Arctic Observing Network \(SAON\)](#) in cooperation with the [Association of Polar Early Career Scientists \(APECS\)](#) are excited to announce several fellowships this year:

- The **IASC Fellowship Program** engages early-career scientists in the work of the IASC Working Groups: Atmosphere, Cryosphere, Marine, Social & Human, and Terrestrial. IASC is offering 6 IASC Fellowships in total: one Fellow per Working Group, and one IASC Indigenous Fellow. The IASC Indigenous Fellow can choose which IASC WG to get engaged in.
- The inaugural **SDWG-IASSA-IASC Fellowship** encourages an early career scholar to participate in and contribute to the work of the Sustainable Development Working Group of the Arctic Council. The Fellow will get involved in the process of making research relevant for policy and contribute to policy recommendations.
- The inaugural **SAON-IASC Fellowship** will help an early career researcher to get more involved in SAON. SAON holds a unique position in the facilitation of and planning for sustained Arctic observational networks in support of societal benefit and has initiated the Roadmap for Arctic Observing and Data Systems (ROADS) as

a planning framework to support its national and organizational partners. The Fellow will engage in the evolving governance of the ROADS Advisory Panel or support alignment and integration across pilot efforts that are beginning to form thematic Expert Panels under ROADS.

Application deadline for all: November 16, 2021.

For more information visit the [APECS website](#).

NNA Project Highlight

Fresh Eyes on Ice

The Fresh Eyes on Ice project seeks to revitalize and modernize river- and lake-ice observation across Alaska through archiving and analyzing existing historic datasets, remote sensing, field studies, real-time cameras and buoys, community-based monitoring, and citizen science. The team supports community-based monitoring teams such as youth, educators, and local knowledge holders, and citizen scientists to improve freshwater ice observations and information sharing.

The project team and partners include members from University of Alaska Fairbanks, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Tanana Chiefs Conference, National Weather Service Alaska-Pacific River Forecast Center, Goldstream Group Evaluation, and GLOBE Observer. Chris Arp is the lead PI, Dana Brown, Katie Spellman, and Laura Oxtoby are co-PIs, and Brooke Woods and Elena Sparrow are additional PIs through NASA funding. Supplementary funding for photo observation by the public has been provided by NASA. Community-based monitoring teams for this project are located in Eagle, Venetie, Toolik, Noatak, McGrath, Shageluk, Bethel, Copper Center, Tok, Fairbanks, Nenana, Galena, Sleetmute, Kobuk and, previously, Arctic Village. Public sharing of ice observations through social media and citizen science portals occurs throughout the parts of Alaska where seasonal ice occurs.

Questions and comments can be directed to fresheyesonice@gmail.com.



NNA Project Highlight: Fresh Eyes on Ice

For more about their project, visit their [website](#), and check out this [video](#).

Twitter: [@FreshEyesonIce](#)

Facebook: [Fresh Eyes on Ice Group](#)

Instagram: [@fresheyesonice](#)

We will feature different NNA projects in each newsletter.

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NNA-CO events at AGU 2021 Fall Meeting

- Coordination for Use-Inspired Convergence Research and Equitable Collaboration in the Arctic: A Navigating the New Arctic (NNA) Community Town Hall (TH45I) - Thursday, 16 December from 6:15 - 7:15pm CT (Convention Center - Room 391-392)
- Arctic Education & Outreach - Effective Ways of Engaging Diverse Learners in Arctic Science | Oral (ED52A) - Friday, 17 December from 9:45 - 11:00am CT (Convention Center - Room 291-292)

We welcome [submissions](#) for items to be considered for upcoming NNA Community Newsletters or the [NNA News page](#).



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