

Opening the Arctic Seas

ENVISIONING DISASTERS AND FRAMING SOLUTIONS

March 18 – 20, 2008
The New England Center
University of New Hampshire
Durham, NH USA

Monday, March 17 Arrival and Check-in at the New England Center Hotel

Tuesday, March 18

- 08:00 *Continental Breakfast in the Great Bay Room*
- 08:45 **Welcome and Introductions**
Nancy E. Kinner, UNH Co-Director, CRRC
Amy A. Merten, NOAA Co-Director, CRRC
Taylor Eighmy, Vice President, Research, UNH
David Westerholm, Director, Office of Response & Restoration, NOAA
Christopher Hall, Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Lawson W. Brigham, Alaska Office Director, U.S. Arctic Research Commission
- 09:15 **Background and Goals of the Workshop**
Peter J. Hughes, Workshop Facilitator
- 09:30 **Participant Introductions**
Peter J. Hughes, Workshop Facilitator
- 10:00 **Plenary Talk: Arctic Shipping**
Lawson Brigham
- 10:15 *Break*
- 10:30 **Plenary Talk: Arctic Peoples**
Gun-Britt Retter, SAAMI Council
Charles Johnson, Alaska Nanuuq Commission
- 11:00 **Workshop Structure, Logistics & Outcomes Participant Operating Principles**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 11:30 **Breakout Session I: Envisioning the Incidents**
Breakout Discussion Groups
Working Lunch (in Breakout Groups)
- 15:30 **Plenary Talk: Arctic Tourism**
John Snyder, Polar Tourism
- 15:45 **Plenary Talk: Arctic Search and Rescue**
Larry Trigatti, Dept of Fisheries & Oceans, Canada
- 16:00 **Wrap-Up**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 18:00 Shuttle to *Dinner at The Three Chimney Inn in Durham, NH*



Wednesday, March 19

- 08:00 *Continental Breakfast in the Great Bay Room*
- 08:45 **Overview and Review**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 09:00 **Plenary Session: Breakout Group Reports (20 minutes each)**
- 10:45 *Break*
- 11:00 **Plenary Talk: Biological Consequences or Implications**
Jeep Rice, NOAA Fisheries
- 11:15 **Plenary Talk: Arctic Oil and Gas Exploration**
Dennis Thurston, US Minerals Management Service
- 11:30 **Breakout Session II: Framing the Solutions**
Breakout Discussion Groups
- Working Lunch* (Breakout Groups)
- 15:00 **Plenary Session**
- 15:30 Shuttle from the New England Center to the Seacoast Science Center in Rye, NH
- 16:00 **Plenary Session: Breakout Group Reports (10 minutes each)**
- 17:00 **Wrap-Up**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 17:30 *Dinner at the Seacoast Science Center in Rye, NH*
- Shuttle return to the New England Center

Thursday, March 20

- 08:30 *Continental Breakfast in the Great Bay Room*
- 09:15 **Overview and Review**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 09:30 **Breakout Session III: The Way Forward**
Breakout Discussion Groups
- 11:00 **Plenary Session: Breakout Group Reports (10 minutes each)**
- 12:00 *Lunch*
- 13:00 **Plenary Session: Synthesis and Next Steps**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee
- 14:00 **Closing Remarks**
Peter J. Hughes & Organizing Committee