

# North Slope Borough:

An Oil Spill Workshop

Inupiat Heritage Center

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## Breakout Group Questions

### Small Group Breakout Session I: Discussion of Oil Spill Response & Arctic ERMA®

1. What specific concerns do you have relative to planning and preparation for spill response?
2. What specific concerns do you have relative to spill response implementation and management?
3. What are best practices for community involvement in spill response, planning, and preparation?
4. What are your initial reactions to Arctic ERMA®?
5. How could the tool be useful for community involvement in spill response?
6. What information would you like to see included in the tool to support response decisions?

### Small Group Breakout Session II: Discussion of NRDA and ERMA®

1. What effects of oil spills most concern you (for example, health and use of natural resources)?
  - Marine mammals
  - Birds
  - Fish
  - Crab or other shellfish
  - Land mammals
  - Other cultural concerns (for example, education, language, arts)
2. Are there special habitats or specific areas that you are most concerned about? (for example, sensitive areas, historical sites, camp areas)
3. Given the changing Arctic environment, what background/baseline information do you think we need to consider about the health of the environment before a spill occurs?
4. How could the ERMA® tool be useful for evaluating effects of spills?
5. What information would you like to see included in the tool to support evaluation of effects?
6. What are best practices for community involvement in evaluating effects?

### Small Group Breakout Session III: Discussion of Restoration & Recovery and ERMA®

1. What specific concerns do you have relative to restoration and recovery?
2. Are there examples of habitat areas that could be improved?
3. Are there other sources of contamination that could be controlled?
4. What traditional methods of restoration and recovery are practiced?
5. What could be done to sustain cultural and subsistence practices that might be affected by oil?
6. What are best practices for community involvement in restoration and recovery?
7. How could the ERMA® tool be useful for planning restoration?
8. What information would you like to see included in the tool to support restoration planning?