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North Slope Science Initiative Science Technical Advisory Panel to Meet in Barrow

ANCHORAGE -- The North Slope Science Initiative (NSSI) Science Technical Advisory Panel (STAP) will meet Jan. 26-28 in Barrow at the Inupiat Heritage Center, 5421 North Star Blvd. The meetings will begin at 1 p.m. on Jan. 26 and at 9 a.m. Jan. 27 and 28, with public comment scheduled for 3-4 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 27.

The NSSI is an intergovernmental effort to increase collaboration on the science needed to make informed decisions related to development and environmental change on Alaska's North Slope and its adjacent seas. The STAP provides advice and recommendations to NSSI on information priorities.

The meeting agenda will include discussions of the North Slope Scenarios Project and a long-term monitoring strategy for the North Slope.

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