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### Who are we?













CH2MHILL Polar Services





STARC & ESU







#### 2013 Activities Relevant to AICC

- Participated in January AICC meeting and June teleconference
- Supported 2 logistics stopovers for HEALY at Barrow involving 1
  NSF and 2 non-NSF research parties including:
  - Coordinating use of NSB SAR hangar
  - Receipt, handling, and interim storage of freshies
  - Assisting with local lodging and ground transportation
  - Coordinating preparations for flight ops with OAS/Cannon Mix
- Hired Community Observers for 2 USCG cruises
- Facilitated delivery of critical science supplies to HLY1303 (Pickart) at no cost to NSF
- Provided ground support for group disembarking from CCGC LAURIER

### 2013 Challenges

 Responding to events beyond our control emphasizes need for contingency plans





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# 2013 Challenges

- Other vessel and helicopter traffic in area may impact our operations:
  - Communications and Air Traffic Control
  - Shoreside logistics











# 2013 Challenges

- General coordination of cargo
- Embarking researchers' arrival in Barrow one day prior to operations



#### 2013 Successes

#### Welcome to Barrow

- Excellent communications among all parties, before, during, and after operations (esp LCDR Jacob Cass)
- Palletizing and segregating freshies allows for better accountability and ease of handling
- Informational meeting with embarking researchers in evening prior to operations minimizes confusion
- Local entities (NSB SAR, AC Store, FAA, NSB S&R) have been very accommodating
- Decent weather for ship-shore transfers

### NUNANIQ

Barge used for off-load of Cooper group/partial Keigwin onload Served as logistical proof of concept May not be practical/economical given Bowhead scheduling limitations

#### Plans for 2014

- Continue to provide shoreside logistics as requested and within reasonable scope
- Improve Barrow Logistics Stopover protocols and documentation, including information on icefloe.net so researchers know what to expect
- Maintain dialogue with USCG, OAS, STARC, and other groups
- Monitor and communicate with Barrow visitors regarding potential offshore O&G activities and their effect on shoreside resources (esp. lodging)
- Continue to provide Community Observers for USCG cruises;
  Researchers responsible for Marine Mammal Observers if required

#### Additional Information

- Barrow Bulletin (www.barrowbulletin.com)
- CPS (www.cpspolar.com)
- Ukpeagvik Iñupiat Corporation (www.uicalaska.com)
- Polar Field Services (<u>www.polarfield.com</u>)
- City of Barrow (<a href="http://cityofbarrow.org/">http://cityofbarrow.org/</a>)
- North Slope Borough (<a href="http://www.north-slope.org/">http://www.north-slope.org/</a>)

