Attachment C. Change in Distribution and abundance of aquatic/wetland habitats					
Gap	Data or Modeling?	Approach to Address Gap	Species of Relevance		
Ice Content - coupling of energy and soil moisture.	Both	1. Intensive, small-area ice mapping and monitoring (for use in developing models of thaw settlement and other potential microtopography changes, ultimately for up-scaling.	shorebirds and waterfowl		
Surface water distribution	Both	1. Measure surface-water distribution (remote sensing). 2. Model relationship between SWE and surface-water distribution.	shorebirds and waterfowl		
Paludification		 Model carbon balance Experimental manipulation (e.g. controlled introduction of sphagnum). 3. Comparative ecosystem analysis (NS vs. Seward Peninsula). 	shorebirds and waterfowl		

Attachment C. Food Availability					
Gap	Data or Modeling?	Approach to Address Gap	Species of Relevance	Likely Funding Source	
Climate and hydrology influence on aquatic inverts important to birds	data	experimental	Shorebirds and waterfowl		
Water temp influence on plant and invert community composition and timing of emergence?	data	experimental	Shorebirds and waterfowl		

Attachment C. Coastal Dynamics					
Gap	Data or Modeling?	Approach to Address Gap	Species of Relevance	Likely Funding Source	
Climate influence on storm frequency, intensity and timing (need down-					
scaling)	both				
Mapping and spatial modeling of inundation patterns	both	Map inundation patterns; model realtionship between storm attributes and inundation extent and pattern.			
vegetative response to inundation/salinization	both	Measure veg response over time			
Barrier Island Impacts	data		COEI		
COEI response to loss or redistribution of nesting substrate (driftwood)	data		COEI		
Sediment transport	both	Collect sediment transport data			
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Attachment C. Shrub Expansion					
Gap	Data or Modeling?	Approach to Address Gap	Species of Relevance	Likely Funding Source	

Attachment C. Predator - Prey dynamics					
Gap	Data or Modeling?	Approach to Address Gap	Species of Relevance	Likely Funding Source	

Worksheet for					
Species or Species Group	Projected Change in Habitat Availability	Parameter (e.g., distribution, growth rate, etc)	Positive (+) or Negative (-) Effect	Rationale for Strong Response to Predicted Effect	
Red Phalarope and Pectoral Sandpiper	Less wet sedge tundra due to summer drying regime	Distribution, breeding density, breeding success	negative	Breeding habitat association with wet sedge tundra. Loss of habitat would limit distribution & abundance; lowered invertebrate productivity could reduce breeding success	
	lake deepening (shallow				
YBLO, PALO,	to deep)	distribution	positive	fish survive over winter	
Red and red-necked phalaropes and pectoral sandpiper	loss of shallow water habitat	population size; distribution	negative	prey availability and accessibility (substrate)	
Geese	decrease in moisture	fledging success	negative	change in forage quality	
Savannah Sparrow (and other sparrows), Smith's Longspur, ptarmigan	increased shrubbiness (shrubs replace herbaceous cover) (?) loss of <i>Arctophila</i> - paludification		some positive, some negative		
Greater white-fronted	'			longer nesting season, improved	
geese	??	breeding success	positive	forage	
Red knots,	Tundra to Taiga conversion				
COEI	Loss or change in barrier islands	nesting success	negative	ice phenology during nesting season - loss of buffer/storm protection, increased flooding	
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