# Bering Ecosystem Science | BEST Principal Investigators' Meeting

# Bering Ecosystem Study Principal Investigators' Meeting November 29, 2007

November 29, 2007 U.S. Coast Guard Base at Pier 36 Seattle, WA Agenda

Thursday, 29 November 2007	
	PDF:
Greetings and introductions; overview of meeting goals  Carin Ashjian, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, long spring cruise chief scientist	N/A
Topics to be discussed on Friday at Healy meeting David Forcucci, U.S. Coast Guard science liaison	N/A
Brief project overviews	
The impact of changes in sea ice extent on primary production, phytoplankton community structure, and export in the eastern Bering Sea S. Bradley Moran, University of Rhode Island Michael Lomas, Bermuda Biological Station for Research	PDF: 112K
Nitrogen supply for new production and its relation to climatic conditions on the eastern Bering Sea Shelf Raymond Sambrotto, Columbia University Daniel Sigman, Princeton University	<u>PDF: 223K</u>
Mesozooplankton-microbial food web interactions in a climatically changing sea ice environment Evelyn Sherr, Oregon State University Barry Sherr, Oregon State University Carin Ashjian, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Robert Campbell, University of Rhode Island	PDF: 525K
Fish and macrozooplankton acoustics  Alex De Robertis, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	PDF: 200K
Ichthyoplankton surveys Nicola Hillgruber, University of Alaska Fairbanks Janet Duffy-Anderson, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Jeff Napp, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Ann Matarese, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Lisa Eisner, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	PDF: 499K
The trophic role of euphausiids in the eastern Bering Sea: Ecosystem responses to changing sea-ice conditions Evelyn Lessard, University of Washington H. Harvey, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Sciences	<u>PDF: 154K</u>
Sea ice algae, a major food source for herbivorous plankton and benthos in the eastern Bering Sea Rolf Gradinger, University of Alaska Fairbanks Katrin Iken, University of Alaska Fairbanks Bodil Bluhm, University of Alaska Fairbanks	<u>PDF: 49K</u>
The role of ice melting in providing available iron to the surface water of the eastern Bering Sea shelf Jingfeng Wu, University of Alaska Fairbanks	PDF: 273K
Denitrification and global change in Bering Sea shelf sediments  Allan Devol, University of Washington  David Shull, Western Washington University	<u>PDF: 229K</u>
Benthic ecosystem response to changing ice cover in the Bering Sea Jacqueline Grebmeier, University of Tennessee Knoxville Lee Cooper, University of Tennessee Knoxville	<u>PDF: 560K</u>
Stratification on the Bering shelf and its consequences for nutrients and the ecosystem: The effects of ice and coastal water advection  Knut Aagaard, University of Washington  Thomas Weingartner, University of Alaska Fairbanks	<u>PDF: 165K</u>
The impacts of sea-ice on hydrographic structure and nutrients over the eastern Bering Sea shelf Phyllis Stabeno, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Terry Whitledge, University of Alaska Fairbanks	PDF: 351K

Rolf Sonnerup, University of Washington Ned Cokelet, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Calvin Mordy, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Nancy Kachel, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Walrus-prey patch dynamics Chad Jay, U.S. Geological Survey N/A

## Discussion: Identification of scientific gaps and if filled

#### Cruise sampling priorities and approaches

Short spring cruise (March 13-26) Lee Cooper, cruise chief scientist PDF: 1.2MB

Long spring cruise (March 29-May 6) Carin Ashjian, cruise chief scientist **PDF: 332K** 

Summer cruise (June 20-July 18)
Ray Sambrotto, cruise chief scientist

PDF: 431K

#### Focused discussions

Chlorophyll methods and personnel

N/A

- size fractions
- · Welshmeyer vs. acidification
- team
- · analyze on board vs. freeze and take home
- · nets and mesh sizes
- · coordination of sampling

Environmental chambers

On-deck incubators

- placement
- · water volume needs

Underway sensors - those on ship and those people are bringing Logistic support and equipment needed from the NSF

- Vans (Rad, Chl, Isotope, Storage)
- Helicopters
- · Scripps CTD participants
- · Logistic support in ports
- Permitting

Berths - how many extra and what to do with them (by cruise) Nisken bottles - size and materials

#### Review and discussion

Station events and sequence

N/A

- Process stations long spring and summer
- Process stations in ice long spring
- Short/survey stations long spring and summer
- · Short/survey stations plus daily activities long spring and summer

#### Water needs from CTD

- Long spring
- Summer

#### Cruise tracks

- · Short spring
- Long spring
- Summer

### Laboratory space needs

- Hoods
- Freezers
- Refrigeration
- · Flow-through sea water

- Deionized water
- Room that can be dark
- Gear storage aft staging area, CTD hanger, room by elevator, hold

# Closing discussion

- What do we need the ship to provide? (e.g., lead weights for nets; tie down bolts on bow)
  Connections to NPRB projects on other ships