



Arctic Shipping Best Practices Information Forum
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Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) plans to advance safe and environmentally sound Arctic navigation by advocating and bringing awareness to Inuit communities use and knowledge of our homeland. ICC and our communities have the right and need to be directly engaged and part of the process of creating the best practices for Arctic navigation. Our Indigenous Knowledge of the Arctic marine environment is based on a systematic way of thinking and knowing the Arctic environment. Inuit should be engaged and provide input at all levels from community engagement with industry in shipping operations to providing input to the International Maritime Organization on navigation in the Arctic.

There are recent examples that point to the need for Inuit engagement in Arctic navigation to ensure it is conducted safely and environmentally sound. Inuit organizations have provided input on safe and environmentally sound navigation routes, shared knowledge about migration patterns of marine species, and informed the shipping community on the types of ice and climatic patterns in the Arctic marine environment.

Proposed Information:

Arctic Waterways Safety Committee - <http://www.arcticwaterways.org>

“Bering Straits Voices on Arctic Shipping” Workshop Report-
<http://www.kawerak.org/forms/nr/MP%20Bering%20Strait%20Voices%20on%20Arctic%20Shipping%20final%20report.pdf>

“Circumpolar Inuit Response to Arctic Shipping Workshop Proceedings” -
http://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/uploads/3/0/5/4/30542564/201309121300arcticshipping_gscreenversion_revised.pdf

Exchange for Local Observations and Knowledge of the Arctic - <https://eloka-arctic.org>

“Meaningful Engagement of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Marine Activities” (MEMA) Project Webpage -
<http://www.pame.is/index.php/projects/offshore-oil-and-gas/mema>

“The Sea Ice is Our Highway – An Inuit Perspective on Transportation in the Arctic”–
http://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/uploads/3/0/5/4/30542564/20080423_iccamsa_finalpdf_print.pdf

Travel activities in remote parts of Greenland Procedure and forms -
<http://naalakkersuisut.gl/en/About-government-of-greenland/Travel-activities-in-remote-parts-of-Greenland/Procedure-and-forms>