

NORTH SLOPE SUBSISTENCE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

City of Anaktuvuk Pass Community Center

Anaktuvuk Pass

November 3-4, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

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3. Call to Order (*Chair*)

4. Welcome and Introductions (*Chair*)

5. Review and Adopt Agenda* (*Chair*) 1

6. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes* (*Chair*) Supplement

7. Length of Service Awards

8. Reports

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Chair’s Report

9. Public and Tribal Comment on Non-Agenda Items (available each morning)

10. Old Business (*Chair*)

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14. Closing Comments and confirm FY2015 Annual Report topics

15. Adjourn (*Chair*)

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