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Northwest Arctic SCP: PPOR, Part One

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Physical and Operational Characteristics for PPOR Map 02 of the Northwest Arctic Subarea-Norton Sound											
	Nome Anchorage	Nome Anchorage St. Michael Bay Sledge Island		Golovnin Bay	City Dock-Port of Nome	Westgold Dock-Port of Nome					
ID Number	DII-02-01	DI-02-01	DI-02-02	L-02-01	L-02-02	L-02-03					
Location (In the general area)	64°26.48'N 165°27.10'W	63°30.73'N 161°49.71'W	64°31.94'N 166°11.30'W	64°32.99'N 163°06.96'W	64°29.65'N 165°26.33'W	64°29.76'N 165°26.24'W					
Maximum Vessel Size	Deep Draft Vessels - lengths to 1000 ft. or greater, 40-60 ft. of draft, greater than 10,000 GT	Deep Draft Vessels - lengths to 1000	ft., 20-40 ft. of draft, greater than 10,000 GT	Light Draft Vessels - up to 450 ft. in length, up to 20 ft. draft							
Type of Berthing	Anchorage			Dock							
Contact		N/A		City of Golovin: 907-779-3211	City of Nome / Port O	perations: 907-443-6663					
Navigational Approach	Approach from E	Approach from N, NW	Approach from N, S, W	Approach from SE	Approach from S, W	Approach from S, W					
Minimum Water Depths (MLLW)	10 Fathoms	5 Fathoms	3 Fathoms	4 Fathoms (2 - approach)	22.5 ft.						
Maximum Vessel Draft	60 ft.		40 ft.	20 ft.							
Swing Room or Dock Face (w/ dolphins)	3.5 nm to shoal	3 nm to shoal	0.75 nm to sea mount	2,100	200	190					
Bottom Type	Sand, Mud, Gravel	Hard	Rocky	Hard, Sticky	Mud	Mud					
Nearest Alternative Dock/Piers	3.8 nm to L-02-02	70 nm to L-02-01	20 nm to L-02-02	76 nm to L-02-02	0 nm to L-02-03	0 nm to L-02-02					
Nearest Alternative Anchorage	20 nm to DI-02-02	110 nm to DII-02-01	20 nm to DII-02-01	110 nm to DI-02-01	3.8 nm to DII-02-01	3.8 nm to DII-02-01					
Prevailing Winds	Average monthly wind speed 10 knots		Norton Soun	d prevailing summer winds from the S v	vith variable force.	•					
Currents	1 knot E on flood / NW on ebb	0.8 knots SE on flood / N on ebb	No data noted	0.5 knots N on flood / S on ebb	1 knot E on flood / NW on ebb	1 knot E on flood / NW on ebb					
Tides	Mean High 4.94 ft. (Higher 5.12) Mean Low 3.89 (Lower 3.59)	Diurnal, range of 3.9 ft.	Tide rips in the passage and on E side in heavy weather.	Diurnal, range 1.8 ft. influenced by prevailing winds	Mean High 4.94 ft. (Higher 5.12) Mean Low 3.89 (Lower 3.59)	Mean High 4.94 ft. (Higher 5.12) Mean Low 3.89 (Lower 3.59)					
Sea Conditions	Exposed to building sea conditions with storms from the south.	Exposed to building sea conditions with storms from the north.	The island may be safely approached from any direction except the E where a depth of 3 fathoms is 0.9 mile E of the light.	Exposed to building sea conditions with storms from the southeast.	A bar shifts its position outside the entrance, the bar is reported to be no problem for small craft. The general anchorage for deep-draft vessels is in 7 to 8 fathoms about 1 mile from the beach abreast of Nome. Vessels of less draft anchor in about 6 fathoms a little closer to the beach. In strong S winds vessels should anchor farther offshore.						
Shelter from Severe Storms	Sheltered from N winds / Exposed to E, W	Exposed to winds from NW, N, E	Weather Dependent	Sheltered from N, S, E, W	Sheltered from storms	Sheltered from storms					
Fog	Generally Norton Sound is fog free	Fogs are rare except in the spring with close ice floes and W winds.	Generally Norton Sound is fog free								
Ice			Early Decem	ber to early June							

	Site C	Considerations for PPOR Zone	02 of the Northwest Arctic S	ubarea-Norton Sound Area				
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uman Health & Safety								
Community-distance to (nm)	Nome - 3 nm/ pop. 3598	St. Michael - 6 nm/ pop. 401	Nome - 20 nm/ pop. 3598	Golovin - 1 nm/ pop. 156	Nome75 nm/ pop. 3598	Nome75 nm/ pop. 3598		
Health Care Facilities	Norton Sound Regional Hospital: 907-443-3311 / Nome Health Center: 907-433-3221	Katherine Kobuk Memorial Clinic: 907- 923-3311	Norton Sound Regional Hospital: 907-443-3311 / Nome Health Center: 907-433-3221	Irene L Aukongak Health Clinic: 907-443-3311	Norton Sound Regional Hospital: 907-443-3311 / Nome Health Center: 907-433-3221			
atural Resources Considerations								
Fish & Wildlife	Waterfowl migration area	High density seabird nesting, Waterfowl concentrations, Polar bears, Salmon spawning	High density seabird nesting, Waterfowl migration area, Polar bears	High density waterfowl & shorebirds, Polar bears, Salmon spawning	Waterfowl migration area, Salmon spawning			
Threatened & Endangered Species	Spectacled & Steller's eiders (threatened)	Spectacled eiders & Polar bears (threatened)			Spectacled & Steller's eiders (threatened)			
Sensitive Areas	Not Designated - treatened or endangered species present	Spectacled eider & Polar bear critical habitat	Spectacled eiders critical habitat	Spectacled eider & Polar bear critical habitat	Not Designated - treatened or endangered species present			
ther Stakeholder Considerations								
Fisheries	Groundfish, Crab, Salmon, Herring							
Historic Properties	Historic properties are present throughout the area.							
Subsistence	High-level subsiste	I subsistence activities Low-level subsistence activities High-level subsistence activities		vities				
Tourism/Recreation	Local recreation None		None	Local recreation				
Waterfront Public Facilities/Parks	Port facilities in Nome Harbor		None		Port facilities in Nome Harbor			
Waterfront Private Facilities	None							
esponse and Salvage Resource Consideration								
Ability to Boom Vessel	No	Weather dependent	No	Weather depenent	Yes			
Geographic Response Strategies	S-13, S-14, S-15	S-28, S-29	S-12	S-18	S-14			
Closest Alternative Place of Refuge for same sized vessel	20 nm to DI-02-02	110 nm to DII-02-01	20 nm to DII-02-01	110 nm to DI-02-01	3.8 nm to DII-02-01	3.8 nm to DII-02-01		