

## **MEETING OF THE SOUTHWEST COOK INLET GRS WORKGROUP**

**July 1, 2003  
BP Energy Center  
Anchorage, Alaska**

### **Attendees**

John Kwietniak-co-chair

Dale Gardner-co-chair

Mark Fink

Mark Janes

Doug Mutter

Tim Robertson

Buzz Rome

John LeClaire

Steve Horn

Mary Goolie

Carol Compton

### **Summary**

John Kwietniak of Tesoro Alaska opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda and the summary of the last WG meeting.

There were no members of the public present for comment.

Steve Horn of the CIRCAC reviewed the public input received during the information campaign completed by Steve Howell. Outreach has been extended to various local and Native governmental agencies for input for site selection and for additional local knowledge. Response has been favorable to the process, but no specific recommendations were received.

Tim Robertson reported on the Tactics Group meeting. Initial drafts of possible tactics were completed. The group did not identify any sites where response would not be possible. Drafted strategies are subject to change after the site visit and with the incorporation of additional resources at risk information. The site visit is planned for August. The Coast Guard is assisting with overflights for photographs. All present agreed that the area is extremely difficult to protect due to: the immense tidal range, extreme wind conditions, mud flats, navigational hazards and remote location.

The sites were reviewed individually and additional resources noted on the Site Selection Matrix. It was noted that this area has little survey data for archeological resources. The preliminary list of sites selected was reviewed and nominations for additional sites were opened. No new sites were nominated. The Workgroup approved the preliminarily selected sites and agreed that the site survey team would review, remove and select sites during the visit based on resource concentration and ability of the site to be protected.

A discussion was prompted by a current spill event in Kachemak Bay and the implementation parameters for GRS. The group felt that the GRS process should be presented and discussed at the next RRT meeting in Juneau.

The need for an additional Workgroup meeting was discussed. After the strategies are designed by the Tactics Group and posted on the web, the Workgroup will be asked to comment by email on the strategies. At that time, if an additional meeting is warranted, the co-chairs will call the meeting.