

<b>UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda</b>  November 24, 2003; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122	No agenda available
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### **UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting**

November 24, 2003

Notes

**Attendees:** Carol Adamczak, Rich Boone, Pete Fix, Mike Hay, Pat Holloway, Tim Stallard, Deborah Wilkinson.

**Visited by:** Edie Curry, Carol Lewis.

Approved minutes of 11\17\03 meeting.

Discussion with Carol Lewis, Dean of the School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences, regarding status of the Arboretum and Arboretum Committee.

- Rich - The North Campus Subcommittee (NCS) needs to figure out how to mesh the North Campus Plan (NCP) and management with management of the Arboretum. Areas of management overlap need to be identified, and differences in management goals need to be identified.
- Carol-
  - The provost agreed to continue the Arboretum Committee (AC) at Carol's request. The AC will include new appointments from NCS, Institute of Arctic Biology, School of Natural Resources and

Agricultural Sciences (SNRAS), Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, Geophysical Institute, School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, Institute of Marine Sciences, Museum, US Fish and Wildlife Service Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Unit, US Forest Service Boreal Ecological Cooperative Research Unit, USDA Agricultural Research Service, Nordic Ski Club.

- The Arboretum consists of 320 acres including Smith Lake, a portion of the Exotic Tree Farm, and excluding the T-Field.
- Previous leases held on the Exotic Tree Farm are no longer in effect.
- Management of Arboretum and North Campus Area (NCA) should be integrated and cooperative. Their missions are close enough to be managed by the same person, who should be housed within SNRAS. The AC will make a recommendation on how the Arboretum should be managed by the NCS and North Campus Manager.
- There is no money available for management of the Arboretum.
- The Arboretum should be a managed area that is research and instruction focused.
- There is some question whether the Arboretum management area should be reduced to just the Exotic Tree Farm, T-Field and Smith Lake.
- There is no consensus in the current AC whether or not to keep the fence around the Exotic Tree Farm.
- The AC should read the draft NCP, and define their level of involvement in management of the Arboretum.

Discussion with Edith Curry, UAF Fire Chief, regarding potential for building fire station and fire and police training facility near the rifle range.

The need for a fire\safety response plan for the North Campus Area (NCA) was reiterated. The NCS also has concerns that a fire station and training area would impact trails and research in the northeast part of the NCA.

Edie-

The fire station's current response plan for the NCA states that ATV and snowmobile will be their access vehicles. They need to get better information on which size and type of vehicles can use the different access points, as well as trail widths (this information is available from the NCS). It should be noted that

barriers erected to help restrict unauthorized access to motorized vehicles also are a hindrance to rescue personnel. While not forming a complete barrier, they may slow down response time somewhat. A trail marking system would help rescue personnel locate people in need of assistance.

The current location of the fire station is not good. The building is old, and does not adequately serve the needs of the station. The building has seismic and electrical concerns, and inadequate space. The station needs to be moved to a new site.

A site was chosen and is in the Master Plan. This site is a 7 acre plot of undeveloped land bounded by North Tanana, Kuskokwim Way, and Tanana Loop.

The station needs to be on the east side of campus because of service area response time parameters.

The North Campus, near the shooting range specifically, was looked at, also. The advantages of this land would be enough room to build a large training facility for the fire station. The land would have a visual buffer from nearby roads.

**General comments:**

Pat - The Tanana Loop Extension section to the NCP should be changed. Currently it is too subjective and negative, and should more objectively list impacts.