

# Western Arctic Caribou Herd (WACH) Working Group Meeting

**December 10-11, 2025, 8:30am - 5:00pm**

Marriott Anchorage Downtown  
820 West 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501

## **Western Arctic Caribou Herd Working Group Mission:**

“To work together to ensure the long-term conservation of the Western Arctic caribou herd and the ecosystem on which it depends, and to maintain traditional and other uses for the benefit of all people now and in the future.”

### **DAY 2 – Thursday, December 11**

**8:30 Call to Order / Announcements / Review Day 2 Agenda**

**8:35 Business Meeting – Actions - Assignments (~90 min)**

- Additional Proposals
- Election of Chair for 2026 - 2028

**10:00 BREAK (15 min)**

**10:15 Resource Development in the Herd’s Range (60 min)** – Tim Fullman, Resource Development Committee Chair

**Research Paper Presentation** – Behavioral responses of migratory caribou to semi-permeable roads in Arctic Alaska – Tim Fullman, The Wilderness Society

**11:15 NANA and Red Dog MLE Updates (60 min)** – Liz Qaulluq Cravalho, Vice President of Lands, NANA and Jason Louvier, Project Superintendent, Economic Development & Sustainability Department, NANA

**12:15 LUNCH (90 min)**

**1:45 Alaska Fish & Game Advisory Committees: A review of the Advisory Committee Process (45 min)** – Art Nelson, Executive Director, Board of Fisheries and Sam Kirby, Arctic Region Advisory Committee Coordinator, AK Department Fish & Game

**2:30 Western Arctic Herd Community Outreach and Survey Project (30 min)** – Helen Cold, Arctic Area Subsistence Resource Specialist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game and Marianna Mallory, Subsistence Resource Specialist, AK Department Fish & Game

**3:00 Update on Guides and Transporters in the Western Arctic National Parklands (15 min)** – Annie Carlson, Integrated Resources Program Manager – Western Arctic National Parklands

**3:15 Group Photo and Break (20 mins)**

**3:35 Communications, Education, and Outreach Update (25 mins)** – Deb Lawton, Wildlife Education Associate – Region 5, AK Department Fish & Game Division of Wildlife Conservation

**4:00 Ancient Seasonal Landscape Use of Caribou in the Western Arctic: New Insights from Old Antlers (15 mins)** – Joshua Miller, Associate Professor, University of Cincinnati

**4:15 Closing Comments – Working Group members (30 min)**

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