

AINA NEWS

30th Anniversary of NWT Research Compendium

Earlier this year, the 30th consecutive volume of the *Compendium of Research in the NWT* was published. The *Compendium* is a series of annual publications that summarize all licensed research taking place in the Northwest Territories (NWT). It is the product of a collaboration between the four organizations that license research conducted in the NWT: the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre (archaeological research), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (wildlife research), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (fisheries research), and the Aurora Research Institute (natural sciences, social and health research).

Since its first publication in 1984, the annual volumes of the *Compendium* have provided information on NWT-based research to community members and decision makers in the territory. The reports that go into each volume are short, plain-language summaries written by the research team that are published alongside other information about the project, such as the study location and the contact information for the lead researcher. Hard copies of the *Compendium* are distributed each year to almost 200 organizations, libraries, government agencies, and stakeholder groups across the territory.

All volumes of the *Compendium* are also available to the public on the web site of the Aurora Research Institute (ARI). Anyone looking for more information on research taking place in the NWT is welcome to view all past volumes of the publication on the ARI website (nwtresearch.com/resources/compendia-research) or to use the NWT Research Database (data.nwtresearch.com/), a searchable, map-based online resource containing information on NWT research licences dating back to 1974. Users can search by keyword, community, or researcher name, and all results are displayed on a map showing the study locations. Users of either resource can then contact the lead researcher or the ARI library (1-867-777-3298) for further information.

The accomplishment of publishing 30 consecutive volumes of the *Compendium of Research in the NWT* would not have been possible without the support and contributions of many members of the NWT research community. These include the researchers themselves (who apply for licences to carry out their research), as well as community members and organizations (who review the licence applications and contribute feedback) and the NWT permitting bodies (who issue the licences and compile the information). Thank you to all for your valuable efforts.

The Arctic Institute of North America thanks Jolie Gareis, Vice President, Research of the Aurora Research Institute at Aurora College in Inuvik, for providing this update on the *Compendium*.

Vossepoel New Chair of Polar Libraries Colloquy

During the 26th Polar Libraries Colloquy held on July 10–15 in Fairbanks, Alaska, Shannon Christoffersen Vossepoel, Manager, Data and Information Services of the Arctic Institute, was elected Chair of the Colloquy. She will hold this two-year position from July 2016 to July 2018. The Arctic Institute of North America helped to found the Polar Libraries Colloquy in 1971 and has been a part of the organization since its inception. To learn more about the Polar Libraries Colloquy, please visit its website at <http://arcticcentre.ulapland.fi/polarweb/plc/>.

ASTIS Subset Databases Expand

The Nunavut Database (www.aina.ucalgary.ca/nunavut) is ASTIS's largest subset database. It now contains 34 400 records describing 24 600 publications and 9800 research projects about the territory of Nunavut in Canada.

The NCP Publications Database (www.aina.ucalgary.ca/ncp) continues to grow and now describes more than 3400 publications from the Northern Contaminants Program. Records include, but are not limited to, NCP Secretariat Publications, AMAP and CACAR reports, books, journal articles, theses, and posters. The database, now also a repository for NCP publications, includes items not otherwise available online.

ASTIS also works with the NCP and its researchers to add Open Researcher and Contributor IDs (ORCID) to the records. The ORCID provides a unique identification number to individuals, enabling ASTIS to ensure that all publications of authors are attributed to them, no matter what form of their name appears in the author listing. ORCID also allows ASTIS to link records in the NCP Publications Database to researcher profiles on the NCP website. Currently, 124 NCP researchers have ORCID. If you are an NCP researcher, and do not yet have an ORCID, please obtain one at www.orcid.org and send it to ASTIS at astis@ucalgary.ca or contact us for assistance.

ASTIS is pleased to work with the Northern Contaminants Program to provide this searchable archive of NCP publications.