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September and October bring our international visitors from around the world to Fairbanks for meetings and UAF researchers to their role in global climate science.

President Perna used Alaska as a backdrop for his first speech to Congress. At that time, many high level cabinet members, ambassadors, and congressional leaders were in town, including the President's Science Advisor, Secretary of the Navy, Secretary of Energy, Administrator of the EPA, Director of NSF, and others.

We are also busy, continuing our tradition of providing good information that would help to provide students with research experience and the kind of work that would help to promote economic diversity by introducing new discoveries, research results, and innovative ideas to reality. To demonstrate our capacity, on September 20, we had our annual Researcher Roundtable to allow UAF to learn more about our expertise and our impact on the state. This is an opportunity for faculty, staff and students to better understand our capabilities. We also hosted a town hall discussion to learn how we may better serve the state through research, education, and outreach. We received input from units throughout the university to help inform our direction. We also had a meeting with legislators who were unable to participate in person. It is essential that our people continue to communicate with all our legislators, state stakeholders, and the community to maximize our capacity to contribute our economy.

UAF remains a leader in Arctic research.

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Last week, several UAF researchers participated in Arctic Council Ministerial. We were repeatedly told that the Arctic Council Ministerial was held at UAF in August 2015. There is more information here: <http://www.arcticcouncil.org/news/2015/arctic-ministerial-holds-active-discussions-regarding-implementation>

This week, the Arctic Council will hold its annual Ministerial meeting in Fairbanks. Advances in Arctic science and policy. One product was our joint declaration on the Arctic Ocean. <https://www.acm2016.unisFairbanks.no/> Mapping was a high priority for UAF researchers and we pushed emphatically to have it included as a priority of the IUGG Chairmanship. This mapping capability will be exemplified in the Arctic Ocean.

The Arctic Council will sign the Arctic Ocean Treaty two years ago, including an international agreement on scientific cooperation. <http://www.arctic-council.org/2016/05/10/arctic-ocean-treaty-signing/>

Everyone expects this agreement to be signed at the next Arctic Council Ministerial, scheduled for May 2017. So, this agreement is officially called the Arctic Ocean Treaty.

Listening sessions were held with those with the concerns or suggestions [REDACTED] the Office of Institutional Equity and [REDACTED] Vice Chancellor for Research. Several were quite well attended and good ideas were submitted and acted upon.

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