ALASKA UAS INTEREST GROUP

2015 Annual Meeting – Workshop Agenda

Westmark Conference Center
813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, AK 99701

Post Workshop – Friday, September 4

The Alaska Center for UAS Integration (ACUASI) will be hosting a day of presentations covering all aspects of the business of unmanned aircraft. University leadership will open the day followed by presentations on the FAA's Center of Excellence on UAS (university and corporate partnerships); collaborating with the university's Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization; emerging business support through the State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development and University of Alaska Anchorage Center for Economic Development. UAS demonstrations are planned over the lunch hour off-site.

08:30 – 09:00 **University of Alaska Fairbanks**
Dr. Mike Sfraga, Vice Chancellor for University and Student Advancement
- *Unmanned Aircraft – A Dynamic Emerging Industry*

09:00 – 09:30 **Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration**
Marty Rogers, Director, ACUASI
- *Overview of ACUASI's program development over the past year, emerging commercial industry, and bright future for new Sec. 333's*

09:30 – 10:00 **Alaska Center for Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration**
Dr. Cathy Cahill, Deputy Director, ACUASI
- *Partnering with the University - Research and Development and Commercialization Opportunities*

10:00 – 10:30 **FAA's Center of Excellence on Unmanned Aircraft Systems**
Kimberly Underwood, Consultant, Knowledge Information Management, Inc.
- *Universities Partnering with Business and Governmental Entities*

10:30 – 10:45 **Morning Networking Break**

10:45 - 11:30 **State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development**
Ethan Tyler, Development Manager, Division of Economic Development
- *The UAS Industry in Alaska and Business Support Programs*

11:30 – 12:00 **University of Alaska – Center for Economic Development**
Nolan Klouda, Executive Director
- *Economic Picture of the Emerging Unmanned Aircraft Industry*

12:00 – 14:15 ***Lunch Break***
UAV demonstrations are planned at the City of Fairbanks Fire Training Center (weather dependent)

14:15 - 14:45 **Alaska Small Business Development Center**
Russ Talvi, Director, Fairbanks SBDC
- *Support for Unmanned Aircraft and Support Businesses*

14:45 – 15:45 **Northern Embedded Solutions, LLC (NES)**
Sam Vanderwaal, Embedded Systems Engineer and Partner, NES
- *The Challenges and Opportunities of Being a New Business in the UAS Industry*

15:45 – 16:45 **University of Alaska Fairbanks/ACUASI**
Dr. Mike Hatfield, Assistant Professor, UAF and Associate Director, Science and Education, ACUASI
- *Synergy between the university, ACUASI, and small business in Alaska*

16:45 – 17:00 **Meeting Conclusion and Announcements**
Marty Rogers, Director, ACUASI