

TOOLIK FIELD STATION

2022 OPERATIONS/SAFETY OVERVIEW



FAUSTINE BERNADAC, SCOTT FILIPPONE



WHAT TO EXPECT THIS SEASON ?



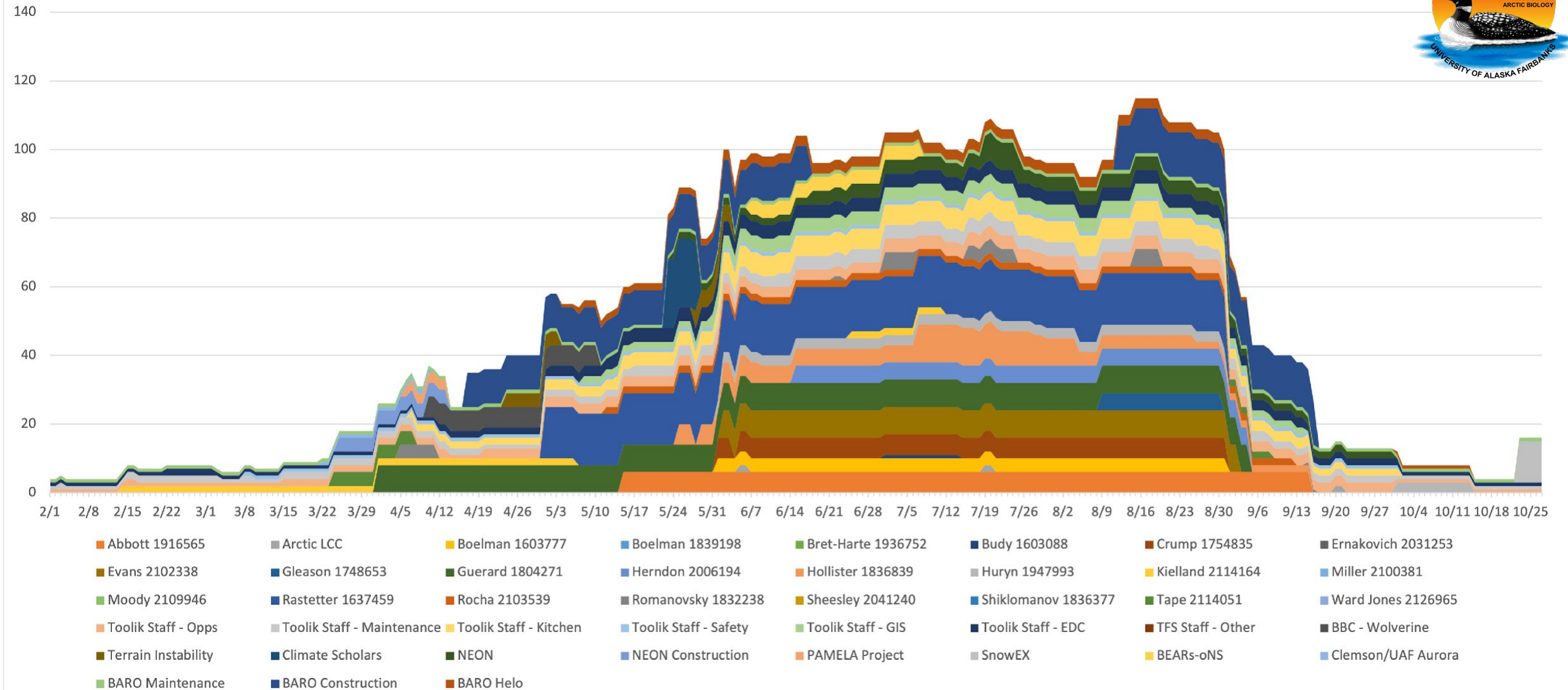
- Quarantine & testing protocols under review with Omicron
- Logistics and transportation expected to operate closer to normal, but with some COVID adaptations – no Prudhoe Bay pick up
- Population will be capped at ~108 (single bed per room)
- Kitchen operations will be back to normal
- Northbound trucks may shift to Thursday/Friday, for test results
- Upcoming > Town Hall February 14, 2022
- Upcoming > Early reservations for summer due

SCIENCE IN 2022



- ~32 projects expected to be present at, including 24 NSF/Battelle-ARO supported projects.
 - 10 new projects in 2022
- 3 NSF helicopters in camp, at peak
- Remote Access will continue to be available and encouraged.
 - Several Remote Access projects already confirmed (INTERACT, etc.)

Estimated daily population in 2022



STAFFING



Welcome to:

- Marin Kuizenga: Program Administrator
- Haley Dunleavy: Communication and DEI Manager
- Dave Wesolowski: Expeditor

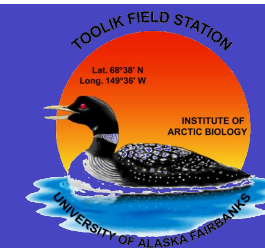
Goodbye...

- Mike Abels retired
- Faustine Bernadac leaving her Facility Supervisor role
- Skye Greer took another job with UAF

Active recruitments:

- Camp Supervisor
- Web Developer/Programmer
- Fiscal Manager
- New GIS/Remote Sensing Technician
- Seasonal staff for 2021

SAFETY - PRE-TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

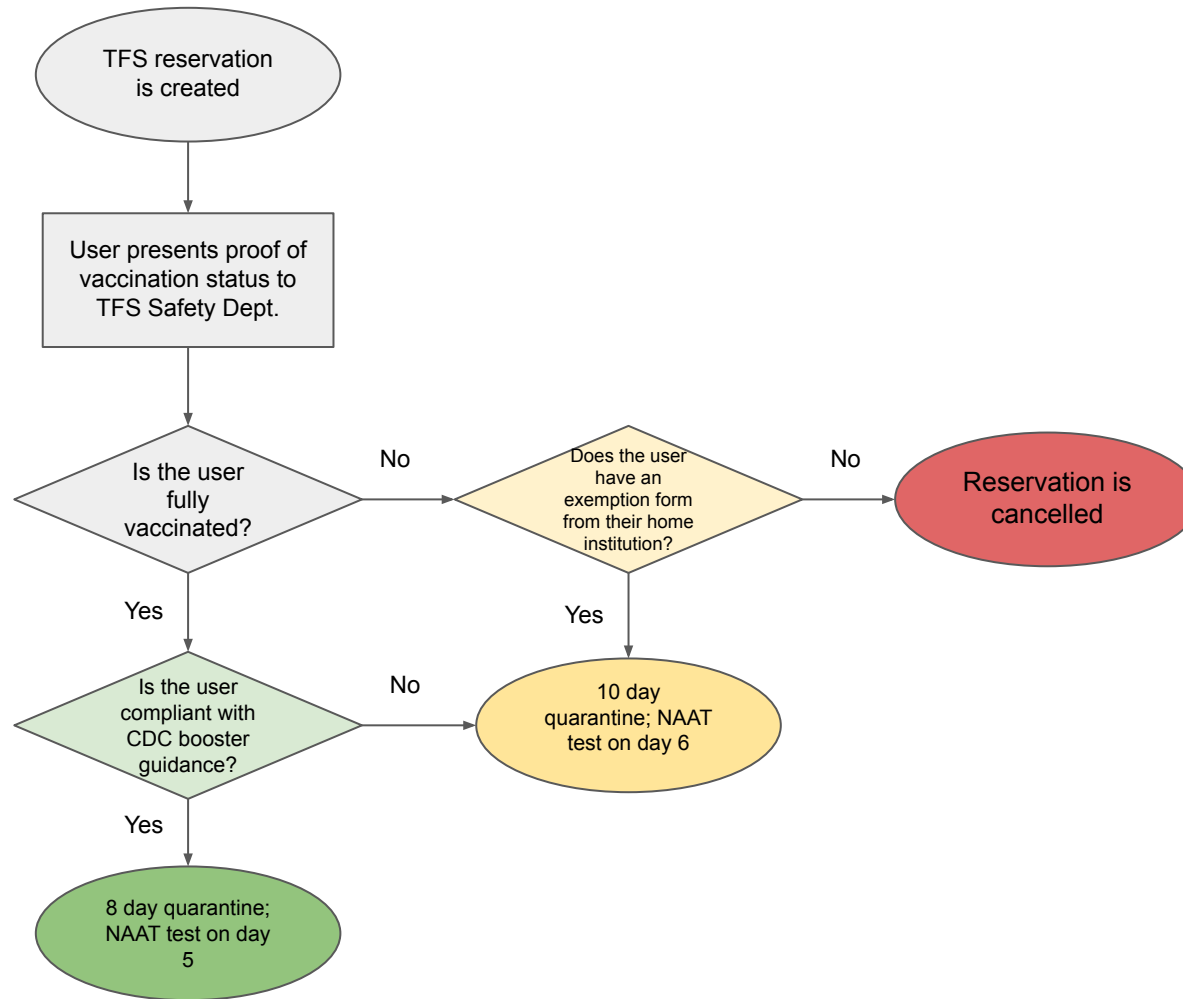


- 8-day quarantine for fully-vaccinated travelers compliant with CDC booster guidance
 - Facility organized by Battelle ARO for all NSF supported projects
- 1 negative NAAT COVID test (PCR, TMA)
 - Day 5
- Temperature screening on the day of departure

SAFETY - PRE-TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS



- 10-day quarantine for those without vaccinations or boosters (if applicable)
 - NAAT test on day 6
- Those who have not received a primary COVID-19 vaccination series must possess a valid medical or religious exemption form from their home institution or primary care physician
 - Failure to do so will prevent said individual from traveling to TFS



SAFETY - PRE-TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS



- Vaccine records will be collected via video call by TFS Safety shortly after a reservation is made
- Records will not be stored and will only be used for the purpose of quarantine categorization

SAFETY - PRE-TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS (myTOOLIK)



- Acknowledgement of TFS COVID plan will be required on myToolik user profile
- A medevac membership plan (“medevac insurance”) is required to travel to TFS
 - Input plan # on myToolik account

SAFETY - PRE-TRAVEL ACCOMMODATIONS

- Solo outdoor recreation will be permitted
 - Isolated to areas within immediate walking distance from quarantine facility
- Potential for members of the same household or lab group to quarantine together
 - Note: One positive test flags everyone quarantining in the “pod”

SAFETY - IN-CAMP COVID POLICIES

- Masks no longer mandatory
- Frequent sanitation of dining facility surfaces
- 1 resident per room
 - Possible exception for members of the same household or couples
 - Note: One positive test flags everyone in the “pod”

SAFETY - FUTURE COVID PLANS

- Policies have the potential to change as future information becomes available
- Refer to TFS website for the most up-to-date news regarding our COVID-19 mitigation plan

THANK YOU!

