

Record Number for Cross Reference	LOA Title	LOA Year	Title Group	LOA Region	LOA Type	LOA Company	Animal Type	Sighting ID	LOA ID	Sighting Date	Sighting Time	Sighting Type	Sighting Region	General Location	Specific Location	Duration	Attractant Present	Deterrent Used	Personal Distance	Facility Distance	Take Type	Sighting_Desc	Sighting_Comments	Animal_Count_Total
37	16-14	2016	INC	BS	Incidental	BFX	Polar Bear & Walrus	6833	810	22-Mar-18	1505	PB - Land	BS	Prudhoe Bay-East Operating Unit	L5 Pad near Nialuk		Yes	No	400	384	Unknown	<p>3-22-2018, 15:05: Description of encounter/other bear behavior - Contractor called LPC operator about spotting a Sow and 2 cubs about 80 yards south of L5 pad. LPC contacted Dispatch who sent Security to locate the Polar Bear and cubs. Bears located approximately 100-150 yards South of the road going into L5. [Distances were initially reported at 100-150, which was later confirmed to be wrong. The actual distances were 400 to 450 yds]. Sow did not appear to have a collar and the cubs look to be this year. The bears stayed within 100 meters from the first sighting going back and forth along a ridge line. Sow was digging along the downside of the ridge line. 1505 to 18:15 Relieved by 253</p> <p>3-22-2018, 18:10: Playing w/ cubs, digging in ground and laying around. Did not seem bothered by traffic in area. Relieved by at 2000 by 207 Woldstad. At approx. 2030 hrs, female began acting curious. Snow blower was working about 1/2 mi away. Female began walking toward blower w/ cubs following. Blower Shut down and bear turned and slowly walked back to area of digging and at 2034 hrs, disappeared. I attempted to locate with thermal imaging camera but did not see them. I went back to area at 0100, 0340 and 0420 hrs but was unable to locate the bears again. 18:35 to 20:34</p> <p>3/23/2018, 08:20: At first light returned to area were sow and two cubs observed yesterday. Bears were last observed at about 8:34pm on 3/22/18. Periodic checks with flir camera during the night revealed no bears. Returned to area at 0820 am at dawn. No bears were observed in the area. BP Env notified. Flir camera was brought out and was unable to pick up any signature of the bears. At 1157 AM, Security departed the area due to deteriorating road conditions &amp; drifting. Will conduct periodic checks as long as road remains passable.</p> <p>3-23-2018, 14:00:Returned to area to see if bears were visible. No sign of bears Snow removal equipment cleared roadway and did not appear to disturb the bears. Remained on scene until relieved by Ofc Bates at 1750.</p> <p>023-23-2018, 17:50 :Relieved Ofc. Brown. No sign of bears in the area. Maybe in den. Remained at location until relieved by 257 Woldstad. Scanned area with thermal camera and was unable to locate the bears. Stayed in area scanning until 2330 hours</p> <p>3-24/2018, 06:55: Believed to be in possible den. Flir conducted by Shannon Carver @ 0710 - 0724. No heat signature detected. Relieved by Jared Scott at 0757. Bears were not observed during this observation period.</p> <p>03/24/2018, 07:57: No visual sighting of the bears. Security Departed the area at 1000 hours due to the road becoming impassable by high winds and drifting snow. Returned to the area to monitor site during snow removal on roadway. Initially unable to get close to den area due to road conditions. Roads and Peds arrived at 1310 and began snow removal. At approximately 1324 hours, I was able to get a visual sighting of the sow and cubs on a mound approximately 400 meters south of the L5 access road and about 600 meters west of the L5 Pad. During the snow removal operations neither the sow or cubs appeared to be concerned by snow removal equipment (blake and blower) working. The sow was occupied either eating exposed grass or snow and the cubs were rolling around in the snow wrestling. Relieved by Phil Brown at 1350 hours.</p> <p>03/24/2018, 16:24: no sign of bears until about 1700 hours. Sow and cubs walked on top of hill. Sow was watching cubs play in the snow. At 1745 hours, sow and cubs went back out of sight behind hill. Bears seen on hill at about 2041 hours and were in and out of view until 2100 hours. No sightings after that. Stayed on scene until snow removal completed work. Bears did not re-appear. Checked for bear activity about every 3 hours throughout the night. No further sighting since 2100 hrs. On scene @ 0035 until 0113. Back again on at 0358 for snow removal. Bears not sighted.</p> <p>03/25-2018, 07:00: No bears observed</p> <p>03/25-2018</p>	Female with cubs detected at den. Observed over 5 days, including during snow clearing activities on adjacent roadway 400 yds away. Traffic was minimized otherwise. The Female responded with attention toward the activities, at one point approaching the activities and at another point turning to look. The female left the site with the cubs after 5 full days (120 hrs), with no obvious stimuli causing her to leave. Slowly walking NW until they were 2.5 miles away and then no longer visible. The den was declared abandoned 48 hours after she initially left.	3