SALSA ON ICE REPORT: 13 November 2017

Weather:
Weather conditions, cloudy, with snow, wind gusting to 24kts, temperature minus 20C

SALSA Drillers on ice: Dar Gibson, Graham Roberts, Dennis Duling, Joshua Mehlin, Justin Burnett, Ed Krula, Anatoly Mironov, Bob Zook

Other team members on Ice:
Bob Zook, Ryan Venturelli

Drill Team Update
• Bad weather has held back the drill team from venturing out to the SPOTSA site in the morning
• After lunch Justin, Graham, Anatoly and Ryan from project C-534 went out to SPOTSA. The team worked on fixing the programming on the main hose reel level wind. By the end of the day the level wind and hose reel were repaired and ready for spooling hose.
• Ryan went with team and continued working on wiping the sediment lab
• Welding team is on weather hold.
• Report by Dennis Duling

SCINI Project Update
• Busy day today. First thing was a request for Telco to come and look at our fiber with their OTDR Optical Time Domain Reflectometer. My simple signal meter was showing 10dB of loss and that seems like a lot. I don’t want to pot the cable if there are issues with it. Telco was responsive and replaced one of our connectors. We are not finished testing the fiber, but we know that the clump weight end is good to pot. After lunch, Justin and I cleaned and potted the Kevlar ring. It’s the first layer and the strength member. Tomorrow we will add a layer of softer pot and put the first transformer in. After dinner, I got the new Crumb firmware that John sent loaded on the two power supplies. Things are happening.
• Report by Bob Zook