

reason for that part of the field trip. The cemetery is still in use and in relatively good condition. Former residents who now live in Grayling requested that we visit the site to determine its stability and to make recommendations for its preservation. An old steamboat was abandoned across the river from the cemetery, also on Refuge property, but the team was not able to access it by floatplane. A trip by boat probably will also be required to visit that site.

On the return trip the plane circled several times over the area at the mouth of the Iditarod River with the team hoping to spot a likely location for Dementi, an Athapaskan winter camp and later a steamboat landing. Unfortunately, nothing showed itself and again, an on-the-ground visit will be necessary to make any further attempt in locating it.

Training

Ed Merritt - NEPA/Compatibility
Team Development
LE/Firearms Requalification
Law Enforcement Refresher
Management Program for Natural Resources Managers

Laura Reid - Introduction to Supervision
Motorboat Operator Instructor Course
Arctic Survival Training
NEPA/Compatibility
Accessibility Training
Wilderness Training for Land Managers
Supervision and Performance Management

Bob Skinner - Statistical Workshop
Fire Effects Workshop

Pete Finley - Emergency Maneuvers/Spin training
Law Enforcement Refresher

Ed Mallek - Wilderness EMT certification

Administrative Details:

A station visit was conducted by Deputy Associate Manager/Refuges and Wildlife (RW) Jerry Stroebele and Deputy Assistant Regional Direct/RW Glen Elison in October. We felt that the visit was very productive. The time was well spent discussing this station's approach to habitat management through the use of remote sensing technology. We were able to host Jerry and Glen on a flight over the Refuge.

Regional Aviation Manager (RAM) John Sarvis, Regional Aviation Training Manager Eric Akola, and Arctic Refuge Pilot Dave Sowards took turns serving as our refuge pilot from June 10-24 during the absence of our staff pilot. Each of these individuals were