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**Beaufort Sea ice rot and retreat continues** May 18, 2011 – A scientific mission to gauge the status of the frozen ice pack and atmospheric conditions across the Arctic Ocean reported significantly thinner ice in the Beaufort Sea then in the past two springs. <u>Alaska Dispatch</u>

**Traditional roles for Arctic women changing faster then climate** *December 14, 2010* - The climate has been steadily warming in Greenland but social change and altered gender roles are a greater threat then climate. <u>Eye on the Arctic</u>

As treeline shifts north, wildlife changes May 14, 2011 – A quickening melt of snow and ice and thawing permafrost will enable southerly species such as pine trees and foxes to move north, while eliminating habitat for northern species. Vancouver Sun

**Sami healthiest in Arctic, but at what cost?** May 4, 2011 – The Sami people are an exception among indigenous populations as they enjoy the same physical health as the majority of residents in Nordic countries. "Part of the explanation is assimilation," says Professor Peter Skold. However the situation with psychological health is much less favorable. Eye on the Arctic

**Faces of Climate Change** – This 10 minute film is the second in a three film series on changes in Alaska's marine ecosystem. View film: <u>Disappearing Sea Ice</u>

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