

PAN-ARCTIC OUTLOOK – WUWT (acronym for WattsUpWithThat.com)

1. Extent Projection: 5.5 million square kilometers
2. Methods/Techniques: web poll of readers
3. Rationale: Composite of projections by readers, projection bracket with the highest response is the one submitted.
4. Executive Summary: Website devoted to climate and weather polled its readers for the best estimate of 2011 sea ice extent minimum by choosing bracketed values from a web poll which can be seen at: <http://wattsupwiththat.com/2011/05/19/sea-ice-news-call-for-arctic-sea-ice-forecasts-plus-forecast-poll/>

15.64% chose 5.5 million km² or greater, with 13.09% choosing 5.0 to 5.1 million sq km² as the second highest vote.

5. Estimate of Forecast Skill: none

Outlook submission deadline: Tuesday, 31 May 2011. All Outlooks should be sent to: Helen Wiggins, ARCUS Email: helen@arcus.org

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