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#### **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

% percent

°F degrees Fahrenheit

ALARI Alaska Local and Regional Information

ATV all-terrain vehicle

BBAHC Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation

BBNA Bristol Bay Native Association
BBNC Bristol Bay Native Corporation

Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC

CDQ The Community Development Quota Program

CEO Chief Executive Officer

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

CHAP Community Health Aide Program

City City of Aleknagik
Community Aleknagik, Alaska

Council Aleknagik Traditional Council

DCCED State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic

Development

DHS&EM U.S. Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

DOTID Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Development

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

FMA Flood Mitigation Assistance

GIS Geospatial Information System

HMGP Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

ID identification

IGAP Indian General Assistance Program

km kilometer

MM Modified Mercalli Scale

mph miles per hour

NFIP National Flood Insurance Program

NOAA National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration

## **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (continued)**

NWS National Weather Service

PDM Department of Homeland Security Pre-Disaster Mitigation

THMP Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan
Tribe Native Village of Aleknagik

USGS US Geological Survey

VPSO Village Public Safety Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP) for Aleknagik, Alaska (Community), was developed in accordance with the requirements of the Stafford Act and Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) represents the Native Village of Aleknagik (Tribe) and provides support for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre-disaster mitigation planning project. BBNA contracted Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (Bristol) for the development of the THMP. Planning Team members from the Community were identified by the Tribe to assist in the development of this plan.

Hazard mitigation reduces potential losses from future disasters. It is the goal of the Aleknagik Traditional Council (Council) to develop a disaster–resistant community for the general public and Tribe members by identifying hazard mitigation actions. These actions will reduce the impact of natural hazards on the Community and encourage the restoration and protection of natural and cultural resources.

This plan contains current community information, documents the planning process for the THMP, identifies the natural hazards that have an impact on the Community, identifies community assets, analyzes how the assets are impacted by natural hazards, and identifies the Community's vulnerability to these hazards. Additionally, the THMP lists the Community's mitigation goals and prioritized mitigation actions.

The Planning Team identified natural hazards that could affect the Community. The following is a list of natural hazards that have had an impact on the Community.

- <u>Earthquake</u> Earthquakes can cause damage to older structures in the Community, and alter the quality of water for the residents.
- Extreme Temperatures Plant growth is impacted by extreme temperatures and disrupts subsistence activities. Extreme cold temperatures cause pipes to freeze in Community structures. Dust increases in the Community during extreme heat conditions, which is harmful to the residents. These hotter temperatures also increase the risk of wildfires around the Community.
- <u>Severe Wind</u> High wind events can result in damage to structures, a reduction of visibility in winter due to blowing snow, a disruption of power and communication, and decreased quality of air due to dust.
- <u>Severe Winter Weather</u> Severe winter weather events can result in power outages. It can also present a hazard to residents traveling to and from the north and south shores of Lake Aleknagik during severe winter weather events.

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• <u>Wildfire</u> –Wildfires destroy subsistence resources, structures, and is a severe risk to human life. The smoke from nearby wildfires decreases air quality in the Community and is a hazard to residents.

Mitigation goals were selected by the Planning Team for the identified natural hazards. These goals are broad statements that represent the Community's vision for reducing or avoiding losses from the identified hazards. The following is a list of mitigation goals:

- Build the capacity of the Tribe to prepare, respond to, and recover from disasters through training and community strategic planning.
- Promote education about hazards and the emergency plan.
- Reduce the possibility of damages due to earthquakes.
- Reduce the possibility of damages due to extreme temperatures.
- Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe wind.
- Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe winter weather.
- Reduce the possibility of damages due to wildfires.

In addition to the identified hazards and the mitigation goals, the Planning Team identified mitigation actions to support the THMP mitigation goals. The following is a list of the high priority mitigation actions.

- Acquire a Community satellite phone.
- Identify a community member with VHF equipment and make a plan to use in an emergency.
- Apply dust control on roads in the Community
- Educate the Community about cutting brush around homes for a fire barrier.

The THMP is a living document that will be reviewed on an annual basis, and updated every five years. The annual reviews will monitor the relevance and implementation of the mitigation action plan, and evaluate the effectiveness and progress of the THMP. The annual evaluation of the THMP will include a review of any changes to assets, impacts from hazards, or any additional changes to the plan.

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) is an Alaska Native Regional Non-Profit Corporation and tribal consortium. Incorporated under state law, corporation bylaws are structured as a pure tribal consortium. The 31 federally recognized tribes in the Bristol Bay region make up the members of the non-profit corporation. The 31 tribes are represented on the BBNA Board of Directors by their elected tribal presidents, or the president's designee (who must be a tribal member). Therefore, BBNA is directly controlled by the tribal governments it represents.

BBNA is a federally recognized tribal consortium for contracting purposes and is a "Tribal Organization" as defined in the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act. BBNA operates dozens of grants and contracts under various types of eligibility. Understandably, eligibility of each grant is controlled by the regulations and authorizing legislation of each particular funding source. BBNA operates both Indian and non-Indian programs.

BBNA represents all tribes within the Bristol Bay Region, and as such provides support for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre-disaster mitigation planning project. On behalf of the Aleknagik Traditional Council (Council), BBNA contracted Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (Bristol) for the development of this Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP) for Aleknagik, Alaska (Community). The THMP was prepared to meet the requirements of the Stafford Act and Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). By meeting these requirements, it makes the Community eligible for funding through state and federal mitigation grant programs.

The purpose of hazard mitigation is to reduce potential losses from future disasters. The intent of mitigation planning is to maintain a process that leads to hazard mitigation actions. This THMP identifies the natural hazards that affect the Community, identifies actions to reduce losses from those hazards, develops long-term strategies to reduce the impacts of future events on people, property, and the environment, and establishes a coordinated process to implement the plan. The THMP establishes goals and objectives and associated actions to reduce and mitigate the threat of natural hazards to life, property, infrastructure, economic stability, and emergency response capabilities in the Community while encouraging the protection and restoration of cultural and natural resources.

It is the goal of the Council to create a disaster-resistant community for the Native Village of Aleknagik (Tribe) members and the general public in the Community. The THMP includes information to assist government leaders and residents with current and future planning efforts to efficiently and effectively mitigate natural hazards in the Community.

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#### 2.0 COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

This section describes the location and geography, climate, history, demographics, and economy of the Community.

#### 2.1 LOCATION AND GEOGRAPHY

The Community is located at the head of Wood River on the southeast end of Lake Aleknagik, 16 miles northwest of Dillingham. The Community lies at approximately 59.2810° North Latitude and 158.6262° West Longitude (See Figures 1 through 4). The Community is located in Section 25, Township 010S, and Range 056W along the Seward Meridian. The Community is located in the Bristol Bay Recording District. The area encompasses 26 square miles of land and 17 square miles of water (State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development [DCCED], 2018).

#### 2.2 CLIMATE

Climate can have a significant impact on the hazards that affect the Community. The Community's climate can also have an impact on the goals and mitigation strategies that are decided upon. The following is a climate summary of the Community:

The Community falls within the transitional climate zone, characterized by tundra interspersed with boreal forests, and weather patterns of long, cold winters and shorter, warm summers. Fog and low clouds are common during July and August and may preclude access to the community. The lake and river are ice-free from June through mid-November. (DCCED, 2018). Annual precipitation ranges from 20 to 35 inches. The average winter temperatures range from 4 to 30 degrees Fahrenheit (°F), and the average summer temperatures range from 30 to 66 °F (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA], November 2013).

#### 2.3 HISTORY

Wood River and Lake Aleknagik have been used historically as summer fish camps. Aleknagik means "Wrong Way Home," because Natives returning to their homes along the Nushagak River would sometimes become lost in the fog and find themselves swept up the Wood River with the tide, inadvertently arriving at Lake Aleknagik. The 1929 U.S. Census found 55 people living in the "Wood River Village" area to the south. In 1930, there were five families living on the shores of the lake year-round: the Waskeys, Polleys, Hansons, Yakos, and Smiths. A log cabin territorial school was built on the south shore of the lake in 1933, and Josie Waskey was the first teacher. Attracted by the school, other facilities, and plentiful fish, game, and timber, a number of families from Goodnews, Togiak, and Kulukak relocated to Aleknagik. A post office was established in 1937. A two-

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story framed school with a teacher apartment was constructed in 1938. By 1939, Aleknagik had 78 residents, over 30 buildings, and a small sawmill. In the late 1940s, a Seventh-Day Adventist mission and school was established on the north shore. During the 1950s, a Moravian church and a Russian Orthodox Church were built in Aleknagik and over 35 families lived along the lake. In 1959, the state constructed a 25-mile road connecting the south shore to Dillingham. The road was passable only during the summer months, until the late 1980s, when it was upgraded and maintained year-round. The city was incorporated in 1973. Over 24 additional square miles were annexed to the city in April 2000 (DCCED, 2018).

#### 2.4 ECONOMY

The local government, educational and health services, and trade, transportation and utilities provides the main employment opportunities in the Community (Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development – Research and Analysis [ALARI], 2018). Other Community employment opportunities include state government, construction, financial activities, leisure and hospitality, natural resources and mining, and professional and business services. There are 21 fishery permits issued to individuals in the Community. The Community's primary source for food is derived from a subsistence lifestyle. This lifestyle includes activities such as hunting, fishing, berry picking, and other similar activities (DCCED, 2018).

According to the 2010 Census, the median household income in the Community was \$51,705. At that time there were approximately 22 individuals, or 5.3 percent (%) that were reported to be living below the poverty level (DCCED, 2018).

Tourism is a vital part of the economy. There are three lodges located within or near the City of Aleknagik (City), Mission Lodge, Aleknagik Island Lodge, and Bearclaw Lodge. These lodges bring a significant number of people to the Community during the summer months, both employees and guests. The revenue from these lodges provide a large portion of the Community's annual tax revenues through bed tax and sales tax.

#### 2.5 Demographics

The 2017 State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) certified population is 237 (DCCED, 2018). Exhibit 2-1 depicts a historic representation of the population of the Community.

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Population

250

200

150

50

1880 1890 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2017

Population

**Exhibit 2-1: Population History** 

Source Note: Census Population History retrieved from DCCED https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/dcra/dcraexternal/community/

The 2010 census recorded 219 residents with a median age of 30. The Community is principally an Alaska Native community with 76% Alaska Native, 15% White, and 9% two or more races. In 2010, the male and female population was 128 and 91 respectively. The 2010 census also revealed that there were 71 households with an average household size of four people (DCCED, 2018). The population grows significantly for tourism during the summer months because of the employees and guests at the three fishing lodges.

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#### 3.0 PLANNING PROCESS

This section provides information about the planning process that took place during the development of the THMP. It provides an overview of the planning process, the planning team, the public involvement efforts and documentation, the review and incorporation of existing plans, reports and studies, and the plans to integrate the THMP into other planning processes. Documentation of the planning process and public involvement is located in Appendix A and Appendix B, respectively.

#### 3.1 PLANNING PROCESS

The planning process was developed following the requirements of 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1). The Department of Homeland Security Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grant provided funding and project oversight to the BBNA Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Development (DOTID). Bristol, BBNA's contractor, guided the development of a project team to assist BBNA DOTID with the THMP development.

The planning process took place from September 25, 2018 to October 10, 2018. All planning documents created or used are included in Appendix A.

- 1. <u>Establish the Planning Team:</u> An initial meeting was held with the Council to establish a point of contact and identify other team members. The titles and organizations of the Planning Team members are identified in Table 3-1. During the initial meeting there was a brief discussion about hazards that affect the community as described in the Risk Assessment (Section 5.0).
- 2. <u>Education of the Planning Team:</u> The THMP planning process was described to the Planning Team on September 25, 2018, and participants were asked to help identify hazards that affect the Community and critical infrastructure.
- 3. <u>Organize Resources:</u> Members of the Planning Team identified resources, including staff, agencies, and local community members who could provide technical expertise and historical information needed in the development of the THMP (see Sections 3.2 and 3.3.1).
- 4. <u>Assess Risks</u>: The Planning Team identified the hazards and assets within the Community. With the assistance of Bristol, the Planning Team developed a risk analysis for the community assets in relation to the identified hazards. The Planning Team identified the areas of greatest concern to the Community and developed vulnerability statements. Section 5.0 provides a detailed description of the Risk Assessment.
- 5. <u>Assess Capabilities:</u> The Planning Team reviewed current administrative and technical, legal, and regulatory, and fiscal capabilities to determine whether

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- existing provisions and requirements adequately address relevant hazards (see Section 3.4 and Section 6.1).
- 6. <u>Develop a Mitigation Strategy:</u> After reviewing the risk analysis and vulnerability statements, the Planning Team developed the mitigation goals. Once goals were established, the Planning Team identified a comprehensive range of potential mitigation actions. Subsequently, the Planning Team refined the prioritized mitigation actions, and evaluated and prioritized the actions for implementation. Section 6.0 provides a detailed description of the Mitigation Strategy.
- 7. Monitor, Evaluate, and Plan Updates: The Planning Team developed a process to monitor, evaluate, and update the THMP to ensure it will be used as intended (see Section 4.0). Plan maintenance forms can be found in Appendix C. The Planning Team also established a plan to track the progress of the identified mitigation actions (see Section 6.7). Mitigation tracking forms are located in Appendix E.

In addition to the steps above, the Planning Team encouraged community input throughout the planning process. Section 3.3 details how the public was involved in the planning process.

#### 3.2 PLANNING TEAM

The Planning Team is shown in Table 3-1, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1).

Name Title Organization Ann Tinker Environmental Program / Indian Aleknagik Traditional Council General Assistance Program (IGAP) Candace Chythlook Aleknagik Traditional Council Member Gusty Ilutsik, Jr. Treasurer Aleknagik Traditional Council Randy Tinker Member Aleknagik Traditional Council Bruce Ilutsik Secretary / Tribal Clerk Aleknagik Traditional Council Patrick Aloysius Jr. Community Member Aleknagik Community Member Allen Ilutsik Administrator Aleknagik Traditional Council Margie Aloysius President Aleknagik Traditional Council Katherine Active Environmental Program / IGAP Aleknagik Traditional Council Dan Breeden **BBNA DOTID** Director Annie Fritze Program Manager **BBNA DOTID** Isaac Pearson Senior Engineer **Bristol (THMP Consultant)** Danielle Dance Civil Engineer **Bristol (THMP Consultant)** 

Table 3-1 Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

#### 3.3 Public Involvement

Public involvement is important to the planning process of the THMP, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1)(i). The Council defines "public" as living in the tribal service area or on tribal land, as well as any tribal member or citizen not living on the tribal lands that desires to provide comment on the THMP. It is important for the public to understand and be educated on the Community's priorities. The public also provides valuable insight into issues of concern, identifying community assets and areas that need improvement. The public can provide important information about the history of hazards that have affected the area. Additionally, they can provide ideas for continuing public involvement after the plan has been adopted.

A public meeting was held by BBNA, DOTID, and Bristol on October 10, 2018, in the Community to educate and receive feedback on the THMP. During the meeting, participants were given the opportunity to discuss how they have personally been impacted by the identified hazards in their community. They were also given the opportunity to discuss mitigation strategies that they felt would help prevent future losses due to the hazards. Additionally, the community was asked how they would like to be included in the remaining planning process and throughout the implementation of the mitigation strategies.

Newsletters were used to inform the public about the project. The first newsletter provided an overall description of the project, its purpose, the general process for plan development, and ways for the public to participate in the development of the plan. The second newsletter was sent to inform the public that a draft of the THMP was ready for review and provided the dates for a public review and comment period.

In addition to the public meeting and newsletters, residents or interested parties were encouraged to participate in, and had access to a public survey. This survey was available and located in the tribal office throughout the planning process and during the public meeting.

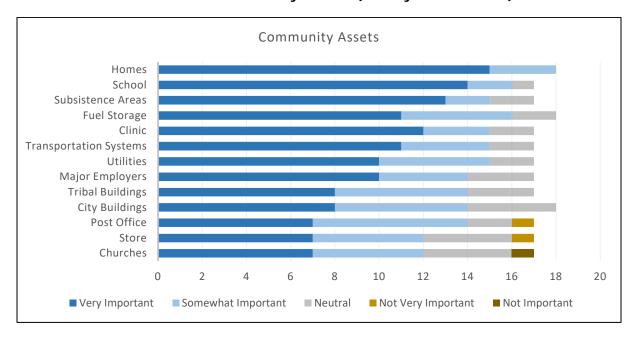
Eighteen surveys were completed and returned. The residents of the Community identified through the survey that they are most concerned about wildfires (see Exhibit 3-1). Additionally, Exhibit 3-2 illustrates the opinions of the residents regarding the importance of community assets. A copy of the survey distributed to community members and a complete summary of responses can be found in Appendix B.

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Natural Disaster Concern 18 16 14 12 ■ Not Concerned 10 Not Very Concerned 8 ■ Neutral ■ Somewhat Concerned 6 ■ Very Concerned 4 Earthdrake Weather 2 Erosion Landride Restanti Festiani Function Coastalice

Exhibit 3-1: Natural Disaster Concern (Survey Question #2)





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All documentation and materials used to involve the public are located in Appendix B. This includes: public meeting advertisements, sign-in sheets, presentations, handouts, newsletters, surveys and a summary of responses, and any comments received via email, phone, or facsimile.

#### 3.3.1 Other Communities, Tribal Agencies, and Regional Agencies Involved

The Planning Team worked to include all stakeholders in the planning process and development of the THMP, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1)(ii). Table 3-2 provides the other stakeholders, communities, tribal agencies, and regional agencies that were involved in the planning process and development of the plan.

**Table 3-2: Stakeholder Contacts** 

Stakeholder Type	Stakeholder	Contact Person (Title)	Contact Email
Village For Profit	Aleknagik Natives Limited	Molly Chythlook (President)	mbchythlook@yahoo.com
Regional For Profit	Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC)	Jason Metrokin (President)	jmetrokin@bbnc.net
School District	Southwest Region Schools	Steve Noonkesser (Superintendent)	snoonkesser@swrsd.org
School	Aleknagik School	Miranda Bacha (Principal)	mbacha@swrsd.org
School	Aleknagik School	Nina Tinker (School Secretary)	ntinker@swrsd.org
Municipal	City of Aleknagik	Kay Andrews (Mayor)	mayor@aleknagik.gov
Regional Hospital	Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation	Robert Clark (CEO)	rclark@bbahc.org
Regional Hospital	Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation	Rebecca Coupchiak (CHAP Supervisor)	rcoupchiak@bbahc.org
Village Clinic	Aleknagik Health Clinic	Sophie Noden Heather Chythlook (Village Health Aide)	snoden@bbahc.org hchythlook@bbahc.org
Regional Housing	Bristol Bay Housing Authority	Brenda Akelkok (Executive Director)	bakelkok@bbha.org
Non-Profit Agency	BBNA	Gayla Hoseth (Natural Resources Director)	ghoseth@bbna.com

**Table 3-2: Stakeholder Contacts** 

Stakeholder Type	Stakeholder	Contact Person (Title)	Contact Email
Non-Profit Agency	BBNA	Carla Akelkok (Village Public Safety Officer [VPSO] Program Manager)	cakelkok@bbna.com
Economic Development	BBNA	Kristina Andrew (Program Manager)	krandrew@bbna.com
The Community Development Quota Program (CDQ)	Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation	Norman VanVactor (CEO)	norm@bbedc.com
Telephone	Nushagak Cooperative	Robert Himshoot (CEO)	rhimshoot@nushagak.coop
Electric Utility	Nushagak Cooperative	Robert Himshoot (CEO/General Manager)	rhimshoot@nushagak.coop
State Representative	State of Alaska	Bryce Edgmon (Representative)	representative.bryce.edgmon@akl eg.gov
State Senator	State of Alaska	Lyman Hoffman (Senator)	senator.lyman.hoffman@akleg.go <u>∨</u>
Local Lodge	BBNC/Mission Lodge	Jason Metrokin (President/CEO)	jmetrokin@bbnc.net
Local Lodge	Aleknagik Island Lodge	Mike and Debbie Chausse (Owners)	islandlodgefishing@yahoo.com
Local Lodge	<sup>1</sup> Bear Claw	Rob and Lisa Fuentes (Owners)	No Response

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stakeholder information request was sent to request an email address to notify of the public comment timeframe, but no response was received.

Applicable stakeholders were contacted by email to invite their participation in the planning process. Applicable comments provided by these stakeholders are included in Appendix B.

#### 3.4 Incorporation of Existing Plans/Studies/Reports

During the development of the THMP the Planning Team reviewed any applicable existing plans, studies, and reports, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1)(iii).

Table 3-3 lists those documents reviewed by the Planning Team and contains a summary of the incorporated content.

Table 3-3: Existing Plans, Studies, and Reports Reviewed

Plans/Studies/Reports Reviewed for this THMP	Summary of Incorporated Content
BBNA Forest and Fire Management Plan	This report provides information about the area's vegetation, soils, wildlife, forest, and fire management. It also provides regional goals and objectives to preserve and protect the region and details the fire management plan (BBNA, 2014).
State of Alaska Hazard Mitigation Plan	Identifies profiled hazards, provides resources, and provides goals and mitigation strategies identified by the State of Alaska (DHS&EM, 2013).
Alaska Emergency Response Guide for Small Communities	This guide provides general procedures to assist local officials in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from emergency and disaster situations developed by the State of Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHS&EM) (DHS&EM, 2017).
Aleknagik Comprehensive Plan	This report provides a vision and goals for the Community. It discusses the importantance of tourism to the Community (City of Aleknagik, 2013).
Aleknagik, Alaska Emergency Operations Plan	This report identifies the Community's procedures for dealing with an emergency. It also identifies preparedness actions for the Community, and emergency contact numbers (City of Aleknagik, 2012).
Aleknagik Traditional Council EPA-Tribal Environmental Plan FY16- FY20	This report lists environmental program priorities for the Community along with appropriate actions. Specific priorities include climate change, which addresses fire safety and air quality, which addresses dust (Aleknagik Traditional Council, 2015).
Let's Clear the Air: How to take care of your HRV (Video)	This video provides helpful information regarding the proper use and fit of masks for wildfire smoke (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [EPA], n.d.).

NOTE: Complete reference information for the Plans/Studies/Reports in the table above is included in Section 8.0 of this plan.

#### 3.5 Integration into Other Tribal Planning Processes

The Planning Team worked to share and integrate the information collected during the planning process with other tribal planning processes, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(1)(iv). They accomplished this by attending tribal planning meetings, when invited and providing regular updates to the Council. Through this process the Planning Team was also able to identify projects or actions for the mitigation plan.

There were no FEMA programs or initiatives occurring at the time of the planning process. Therefore, the planning process was not integrated into other FEMA programs or initiatives.

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#### 4.0 PLAN MAINTENANCE

This section provides a formal maintenance plan to monitor, evaluate, and update the THMP to ensure that it remains an applicable and active document, and that improvements and updates to the THMP happen in a coordinated and organized manner, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(4)(i). This section also describes how the Council plans to continue public involvement in the maintenance of the plan. Appendix C contains questionnaires and forms to track the maintenance process.

#### 4.1 MONITORING

The Planning Team will continue to monitor the progress of the mitigation actions to track the relevance and implementation of the mitigation action plan (Section 6.6) and all of its elements. Once a year from the time that the plan is adopted, the Tribal Administrator, or designee, will track the status of implementation of the identified mitigation actions and provide a status report to the Council. A more thorough review, by the responsible agency, of the progress of each identified mitigation action will be addressed in Section 6.7. The THMP Maintenance Monitoring Form (THMP Form 4-1) is located in Appendix C.

#### 4.2 EVALUATING

The Planning Team will evaluate the THMP, in its entirety, to assess its effectiveness at achieving its stated goals and purposes. The Planning Team will evaluate the progress towards the THMP goals on an annual basis from the time the plan was adopted. The THMP Plan Update Evaluation Form (THMP Form 4-2) is located in Appendix C. This evaluation will include a review of:

- Identification of agencies, stakeholders, residents that have participated in THMP implementation efforts;
- Identification of notable changes to the risk assessment;
- Identification of new hazards and their impacts;
- Identification of new reports or planning materials available to the Community;
   and
- Identification of new hazard mitigation projects.

The Tribal Administrator, or designee, will contact the Council and other applicable stakeholders identified in Sections 3.2 and 3.3.1 to determine if the THMP needs to be updated to address newly identified hazards, new reports, or new hazard mitigation projects. The Tribal Administrator, or designee, will email all stakeholders summarizing this process and request a planning meeting, if an update is warranted.

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#### 4.3 UPDATING

The THMP will be updated at least once every five (5) years. The plan can be revised prior to this when significant changes need to be made, if any necessary changes are identified during the evaluation process (Section 4.2). The Tribal Administrator, or designee will contact the Council and Planning Team no later than the beginning of the fourth year following the THMP adoption to begin the process for updating the plan. The Planning Team will review and incorporate all applicable information collected or received to update the THMP. Comments received from the public and information collected from the THMP evaluation form (Form 4-2 located in Appendix C) and mitigation action plan review forms (Form 6-2 located in Appendix E) will aid the Planning Team in refocusing on any possible new hazards, or available resources.

In addition to reviewing the plan maintenance forms and mitigation action plan review forms the Planning Team will begin the following activities:

- Request grant assistance to update the THMP.
- Identify sections of the plan that need to be improved and begin brainstorming proposed changes.
- Update and analyze the risk assessment.
  - Review and update the hazard analysis.
  - Review and update the Community assets.
  - Complete a new risk analysis.
  - Re-evaluate the Community Vulnerability statements.
- Update the Community mitigation strategy.
  - Re-evaluate and update the Community mitigation goals.
  - Update and review mitigation actions.
- Update the THMP document.
- Submit updated THMP to FEMA for review and approval.

Table 4-1 identifies the plan maintenance timeline and the tasks that should be completed each year.

Year Action(s) **Applicable Forms** 2019 Plan Adoption N/A THMP Form 4-1 Monitor status of actions 2020 THMP Form 4-2 Evaluate THMP THMP Form 4-1 Monitor status of actions 2021 THMP Form 4-2 Evaluate THMP · Monitor status of actions THMP Form 4-1 2022 Evaluate THMP THMP Form 4-2 N/A 2023 Begin plan update activities (outlined in Section 4.3) 2024 Finalize THMP update N/A 2025 THMP Update adopted N/A

**Table 4-1: Plan Maintenance Timeline** 

#### 4.4 Public Involvement in the Plan Maintenance Process

The Council is committed to involving the public in the continual maintenance and updating of the THMP, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(4)(iv). A continued effort will be made to identify opportunities to raise community awareness about the hazards that affect the Community. This effort could include attendance and provision of materials at Tribe-sponsored events, outreach programs, and public mailings. Additionally, efforts will be made to include hazard mitigation into Community public meetings when possible.

A paper copy of the THMP and any proposed changes will be available at the Tribal office and at the BBNA DOTID office. An electronic copy of the THMP Plan will also be available from the Tribal office or the BBNA DOTID office. Comments or concerns can be directed to the Tribal Administrator, or designee. Any comments or concerns collected will be included in the annual monitoring effort and considered for inclusion in future THMP updates.

The Planning Team will ensure that the public will be involved in the THMP update. This involvement could be in the form of public meetings, newsletters, or other community correspondence techniques. The public will be given the time to review the draft plan prior to its adoption.

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#### 5.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

This section provides an analysis of the hazards that affect the Community planning area, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(2)(i). This section also identifies the Community's assets, analyzes the risks of assets associated with each hazard type, and assesses the vulnerabilities of local people, property, and natural environment.

The Community planning area is shown in Exhibit 5-1. The planning area encompasses Sections 25 and 36 of Township 10 South Range 56 West, and Sections 18, 19, 29, 30, and 31 of Township 10 South Range 55 West, of the Seward Meridian. Community trails and subsistence areas may extend beyond the sections shown.



Exhibit 5-1: Planning Area

#### 5.1 HAZARD ANALYSIS

The first step in the risk assessment is to identify the natural hazards that could affect the planning area. Natural hazards result from uncontrollable or unexpected natural events. The Planning Team reviewed 13 possible hazards that could affect the planning area. Each hazard was evaluated based on a range of factors. Table 5-1 through Table 5-4 provide the classifications and definitions of each factor (FEMA, 2013). These factors included the location of affected area (Table 5-1), the maximum extent or magnitude of the event (Table 5-2), and the probability of future events (Table 5-3). Based on the rankings from Table 5-1 through Table 5-3 the possible hazards were then ranked again based on their

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overall impact on the Community (Table 5-4). The hazard identification worksheet (Worksheet 1) is located in Appendix A.

Table 5-1 provides a classification and its definition related to the geographic area that the hazard may affect.

**Table 5-1: Location** 

Color Code	Area Affected	Definition
BLUE	Negligible	<ul><li>Isolated single-point occurrences</li><li>Less than 10% of planning area</li></ul>
GREEN	Limited	<ul><li>Limited single-point occurrences</li><li>10% to 25% of planning area</li></ul>
YELLOW	Significant	<ul><li>Frequent single-point occurrences</li><li>25% to 75% of planning area</li></ul>
RED	Extensive	<ul><li>Consistenct single-point occurrences</li><li>75% to 100% of planning area</li></ul>

Table 5-2 provides classifications and definitions used to determine the significance of each hazard based on maximum extent or magnitude seen in historic events or future probability.

Table 5-2: Maximum Extent or Magnitude

Color Code	Maximum Extent	Definition	
BLUE	Weak	<ul> <li>Little to no damage done</li> <li>Slow speed of onset or short duration of event</li> <li>Limited classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>	
GREEN	Moderate	<ul> <li>Some damage and loss of services for days</li> <li>Moderate speed of onset or moderate duration of event</li> <li>Moderate classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>	
YELLOW	<ul> <li>Devastating damage and loss of services for weeks months</li> <li>Fast speed of onset or long duration of event</li> <li>Severe classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>		
RED	Extreme	<ul> <li>Catastrophic damage and uninhabitable conditions</li> <li>Immediate onset or extended duration of event</li> <li>Extreme classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>	

Table 5-3 provides classifications with definitions related to the probability of future events happening in the planning area.

**Color Code** Probability of Definition **Future Event** Less than 1% probability of occurrence in the next year **BLUE** Unlikely Recurrence interval of greater than every 100 years 1% to 10% probability of occurrence in the next year **GREEN** Occasional Recurrence interval of 11 to 100 years 10% to 90% probability of occurrence in the next year **YELLOW** Likely Recurrence interval of 1 to 10 years 90% to 100% probability of occurrence in the next **RED** year Highly Likely Recurrence interval of less than 1 year

**Table 5-3: Probability of Future Events** 

After the possible hazards were evaluated according to location, extent or magnitude, and probable future occurrence each hazard was then ranked according to its overall impact. A hazard's overall impact is the effect or consequence of the hazard on the Community and its assets. The Community's assets are identified and further discussed in Section 5.2. Table 5-4 provides the classifications with definitions to determine the overall impact of each hazard on the planning area.

**Color Code Impact** Definition Event has minimal impact on planning area **GREEN** Low Two or more criteria fall in lower classifications Event's impacts on the planning area are noticeable but not devastating **YELLOW** Medium Criteria fall mostly in the middle ranges of classifications Event is likely/highly likely to occur with severe strength over a significant or extensive portion of the planning area **RED** High Criteria consistently fall in the high classifications

Table 5-4: Overall Impact

Table 5-5 shows a summary of the hazard analysis (also provided in Appendix A, Worksheet 1). This summary identifies each of the hazards evaluated, if the hazard presents a significant impact to the Community, and an explanation of why it was or was

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not determined to be significant to the Community and further analyzed by the Planning Team.

Table 5-5: Significant Hazards in the Planning Area

Hazard	Significant (Yes/No)	Explanation
Avalanche	No	Avalanches do not occur in the Community due to the generally flat terrain.
Drought	No	Community experiences consistent rainfall events and have not experienced drought conditions.
Earthquake	Yes	The Community lies between two major fault lines: the Denali Fault to the West and the Bruin Bay Fault to the East. Earthquakes occur frequently in the Community, and can result in damage to buildings, utilities, and wells.
Erosion	No	The Community has noticed erosion down river, but it is outside of the planning area. Additional erosion noticed near the boat pads is believed to be caused by human activity.
Extreme Temperatures (Severe Cold & Heat)	Yes	Temperatures over 80°F can ruin harvested fish and impact human comfort and wildlife. Residents are experiencing more severe heat days and less severe cold days than in the past. Severe heat days dry out vegetation and roads, increasing airborne dust and risk for fires.
Flood	No	Flooding can occur due to heavy rainfall, poor drainage, areas of low relative elevation, and/or heavy spring snow melt. The community rarely experiences these conditions.
Landslide	No	Large slumping of the river bank or mountainside can occur due to erosion, floods, or ice flow. The community does not experience this hazard in the area.
Severe Wind	Yes	Strong wind storms occur every fall and early winter in the Community. These storms can damage roofs and blow over tall communication towers and trees, leading to loss of power or cell and landline service.
Severe Winter Weather	Yes	Snow storms can also cause power outages. The community also experiences freezing rain, which causes the bus/transit system to shut down.
Susidence	No	Sinking land mass can be atributed to thawing soils and permafrost. The community has not experienced these conditions.
Tsunami	No	The Community is not located on the coast of a large body of water, therefore is not impacted by tsunamis.

Hazard	Significant (Yes/No)	Explanation		
Volcano	No	There are active volcanos along the Alaska Peninsula and Cook Inlet that could deposit ash in the Community or disrupt flights to the Community. However, this risk has not been experienced by the community and therefore deemed insignificant.		
Wildfire	Yes	There have been 11 fires within roughly 22 miles of the Community since 1942, totaling 57,068 acres. Wildfires can destroy structures and subsistence resources, and is a severe risk to human life. The city has one fire truck but would have to call in help for a serious wildfire.		

Table 5-5 (Continued): Significant Hazards in the Planning Area

The following sections examine each hazard identified by the Tribe that could impact the planning area. This examination includes a general description of each hazard, its anticipated location, anticipated extent, history of occurrences in the planning area, and the probability of future occurrences.

Some hazards, such as tornadoes, could occur in the planning area, but with such infrequency that they were not considered for this evaluation.

#### 5.1.1 Earthquake

An earthquake is a sudden trembling or movement in the earth's crust due to a sudden release of energy along the edge of the earth's tectonic plates. Earthquakes typically occur without warning. The effects of an earthquake can be felt far beyond the site of its epicenter. The epicenter is the point on the earth's surface that is vertically above the point in the crust where the seismic movement begins. A seismometer detects the vibrations caused by an earthquake and plots them on a seismograph. The magnitude of an earthquake is measured using the Richter scale. Most earthquake-related deaths and property damage are caused by the collapse and failure of structures due to ground shaking. The amount of damage depends upon the duration and extent of the shaking.

Landslides, liquefaction, and tsunamis are some other damaging effects of an earthquake. Earthquake-induced landslides are the down-slope movement of rock, soil and other debris due to ground movement on a steep mountain or hillside slope. Liquefaction occurs when saturated, unconsolidated sand or soil is disturbed due to the shaking from an earthquake. This shaking causes ordinarily solid material or soils to behave like a liquid. A tsunami is a series of enormous ocean waves that can damage or destroy buildings and infrastructure and cause flooding.

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#### 5.1.1.1 <u>Location</u>

An earthquake above a 7.0 on the Richter scale is considered a major earthquake. The epicenters of all major earthquakes occurring in Alaska since 1964 are shown on Exhibit 5-2. This map was developed using the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Earthquake Catalog Search feature (USGS, 2018). The Community is located approximately 400 miles southwest of the 1964 earthquake epicenter, the largest recorded earthquake in Alaska. The Community is not located on any mapped fault lines. The largest earthquake that has occurred within a 75 miles radius of the Community was a magnitude 6.6 on the Richter scale, located 69.6 miles away on the Alaska Peninsula in May 1990. The closest earthquake to occur near the Community above a magnitude 2.5 was a magnitude 3.1 earthquake that occurred 28.8 miles away in May 2004 (USGS, 2018). More historic earthquake information surrounding the community is provided in Section 5.1.1.3.

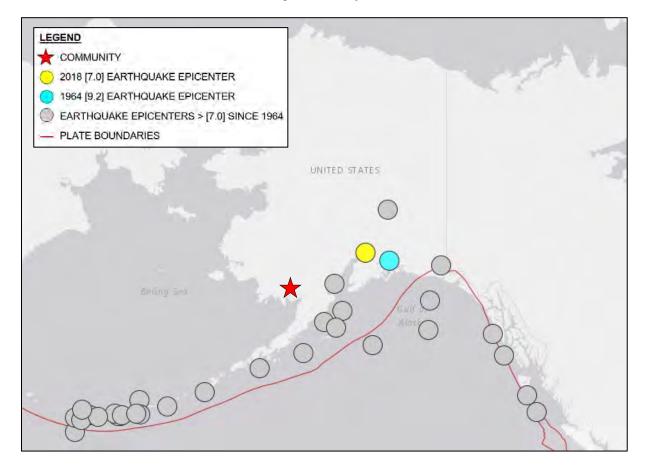


Exhibit 5-2: Major Earthquakes in Alaska

#### 5.1.1.2 **Extent**

Earthquakes are rarely felt in the Community. Community members have reportedly felt slight tremors from major earthquakes in Alaska, but these earthquakes have not caused

any known damage in the Community. The most severe earthquake felt in the Community was the Great Alaska Earthquake of 1964. Residents described the event saying ice was visibly shaking and broke up. This earthquake had a recorded magnitude of 9.2 on the Richter scale, making it the second largest recorded earthquake in the world. Its effects were felt as far away as South Africa (Alaska Earthquake Center, 2018).

The Geological Hazards Team of the USGS National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colorado, created a time-independent probabilistic seismic hazard map for the Bristol Bay Region of Alaska. The map (Exhibit 5-3) depicts the intensity of potential earthquake ground shaking that has a 2% chance of occurring in 50 years, presented in terms of the Modified Mercalli Scale (MM) and based on peak ground acceleration. The Community is located in a Zone VI MM Intensity, indicating the earthquake risk is relatively low (Natalia Ruppert, Presentation, November 22, 2016). Exhibit 5-4 provides a description of damages that can occur at each magnitude of the MM. This exhibit also provides an approximate Richter Scale equivalent for each MM intensity (USGS, 2019 and SMS Tsunami Warning, 2018).

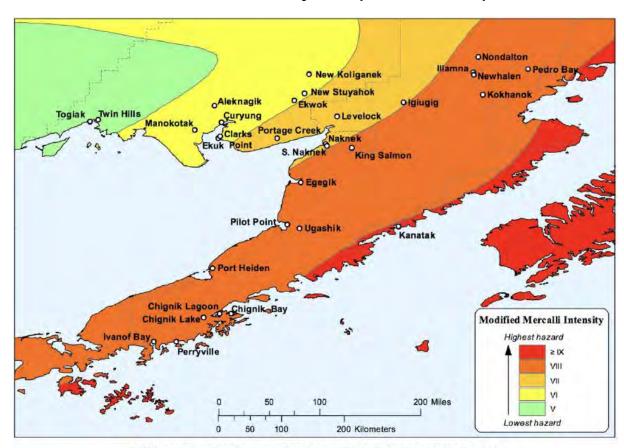


Exhibit 5-3: Bristol Bay Earthquake Hazard Map

USGS map showing the intensity of potential earthquake ground shaking that has a 2% chance of occurring in 50 years, site class B (based on peak ground acceleration)

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Exhibit 5-4: Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale with Approximate Richter Scale Equivalent

MM Intensity	Richter Scale (approximate)	People's Reaction	Furnishings	Built Environment	Natural Environment
I	1-2	Not felt			Changes in level and clarity of well water are occastionally associated with great earthquakes at distances beyond which the earhtquakes felt by people
II	3	Felt by a few	Delicately suspended objects may swing.		
III	3.5	Felt by several; vibration like passing truck.	Hanging objects may swing appreciably.		
IV	4	Felt by many; sensation like heavy body striking building.	Dishes rattle	Walls creak; windows rattle	
V	4.6	Felt by nearly all; frightens a few.	Picutres swing out of place; small objects move; a few objects fall from shelves within the community.	A few instances of craked plaster and cracked windows with the community.	Trees and bushes shaken noticeably.
VI	5	Frightens many; people move unsteadily.	Many objects fall from shelves.	A few instances of fallen plaster, broken windows, and damaged chimneys within the community.	Some fall of tree limbs and tops, isolated rockfalls and landslides, and isolated liquefaction.
VII	5.5	Frightens most; some lose balance.	Heavy furniture overturned.	Damage negligible in buildings of good design and construction, but considerable in some poorly built or badly designed structures; weak chimneys broken at roof line, fall of unbraced parapets.	Tree damage, rockfalls, landslides, and liquefaction are more severe and widespread with increasing intensity.
VIII	6	Many find it difficult to stand	Very heavy furniture moves conspicuously.	Damage slight in buidlings designed to be earthquake resistant, but severe in some poorly built structures. Widespread fall of chimneys and monuments.	
IX	6.5	Some forcibly thrown to the ground.		Damage considerable in some buildings designed to be earthquake resistant; buildings shift off foundations if not bolted to them.	
Х	7			Most ordinary masonry structures collapse; damage moderate to severe in many buildings designed to be earthquake resistant.	

NOTE: Information in this exhibit is a compilation of information from the USGS Modified Mercalli Scale, and the SMS Tsunami Warning Scale (reference information located in Section 8.0).

The largest local concern regarding earthquakes in the Community is disruptions in groundwater. Each home has at least one groundwater well that is relied on for drinking water and household use. A large earthquake nearby the Community could potentially alter the mineralogy or quality of groundwater.

Seismic activity can cause damage to older community structures and underground utilities. This activity also has the potential to cause chemical spills if tank connections become loose or break.

#### 5.1.1.3 <u>History of Occurrences</u>

The USGS Search Earthquake Catalog was consulted for a history of recorded earthquakes with epicenters within 75 miles of the Community and magnitude of 2.5 or greater since 1964.

Table 5-6 shows the top ten data results by distance from the community, Table 5-7 by magnitude, and Table 5-8 by date (USGS, 2018).

Table 5-6: Top 10 Historic Earthquake Epicenters Closest to Community

Date	Magnitude	Distance from Aleknagik (miles)	Location
May-2004	3.1	28.8	Bristol Bay
Feb-1994	3.5	29.7	Southern Alaska
Feb-1994	3.3	30.2	Southern Alaska
Apr-2011	2.5	34.8	Bristol Bay
Sep-2018	3.0	36.2	31 kilometer (km) S* of Dillingham
Apr-1995	3.1	37.1	Bristol Bay
May-2009	2.5	37.3	Bristol Bay
Jan-2015	3.3	38.4	85km N of Dillingham
Mar-1997	3.3	38.7	Bristol Bay
Mar-2003	3.6	40.9	Alaska Peninsula

<sup>\*</sup> South (S)

Table 5-7: Top 10 Greatest Magnitude Historic Earthquakes near Community

Date	Magnitude	Distance from Aleknagik (miles)	Location
May-1990	6.6	69.6	Alaska Peninsula
Feb-2003	5.5	73.9	Alaska Peninsula
Feb-1994	4.4	47.0	Southern Alaska
May-1992	4.2	62.1	Bristol Bay
Feb-1994	4.0	48.7	Southern Alaska
Nov-1994	3.9	59.6	Alaska Peninsula
Feb-2011	3.7	42.6	Alaska Peninsula
Sep-2000	3.7	54.6	Southern Alaska
Oct-2016	3.7	55.2	117 km NNW* of Dillingham
Mar-2003	3.6	40.9	Alaska Peninsula

<sup>\*</sup> North Northwest (NNW)

Distance from Date Magnitude Location Aleknagik (miles) Sep-2018 36.2 31 km S\* of Dillingham 3.0 45 km SSE\* of Dillingham Sep-2017 2.5 45.3 May-2017 3.0 73.5 34 km WSW\* of King Salmon 67.1 May-2017 2.6 135 km NNW\* of Dillingham Oct-2016 3.7 55.2 117 km NNW\* of Dillingham 55.9 117 km NNW\* of Dillingham Sep-2016 3.2 106 km W\* of Old Iliamna Jun-2016 2.5 69.1 Jun-2016 2.6 43.8 67 km ENE\* of Dillingham Feb-2016 2.7 71.7 136 km ESE\* of Bethel Jul-2015 2.8 43.5 82 km NE\* of Dillingham

Table 5-8: Top 10 Most Recent Historic Earthquakes near Community

# 5.1.1.4 **Probability of Future Events**

It is likely for earthquakes to occur in or near the Community in the future. However, it is unlikely for an earthquake to impact the Community to a critical degree due to its location relative to major fault lines.

# 5.1.2 Extreme Temperatures

Extreme temperatures constitute different conditions in different parts of the country. In colder climate regions such as Alaska, extreme cold events involve temperatures -10°F and below. Extreme cold temperatures can occur after a winter storm or during long durations of storm inactivity. Fatalities and injuries can occur from extreme cold by causing hyperthermia or frostbite (NOAA, National Weather Service [NWS], December, 2018). Extreme heat events involve temperatures above 80°F. These temperatures are much rarer in Alaska, but are being experienced more frequently due to climate change.

#### 5.1.2.1 **Location**

Extreme temperatures affect the entire tribal planning area (see Exhibit 5-1).

#### 5.1.2.2 Extent

Extreme cold varies from region to region. For the purpose of this report, extreme cold is being classified as the temperature at which frostbite occurs in 30 minutes, or less. This

<sup>\*</sup> South (S), South Southeast (SSE), West Southwest (WSW), North Northwest (NNW), West (W), East Northeast (ENE), East Southeast (ESE), Northeast (NE)

determination was based on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS) wind chill chart in Exhibit 5-5 (NOAA NWS, 2018).

Temperature (°F) 15 10 -10 -15 -20 -25 -30 Calm -11 -16 -4 -10 -16 -7 -2 -9 -4 -11 -12 -5 -39 -60 -1 -15 -36 -43 -2 -16 -30 -37 -72 -51 -3 -3 -11 -25 -46 -32 -39 -54 -68 -75 -26 -33 -40 -48 -55 -62 -69 -76 -91 Frostbite Times 30 minutes 10 minutes Wind Chill (°F) =  $35.74 + 0.6215T - 35.75(V^{0.16}) + 0.4275T(V^{0.16})$ Where, T= Air Temperature (°F) V= Wind Speed (mph)

**Exhibit 5-5: Wind Chill Chart** 

Extreme heat has been classified as the temperature at which heat disorders are deemed cautionary, based on the NOAA NWS heat index in Exhibit 5-6 (NOAA NWS, 2018).

Temperature (°F) 80 82 Relative Humidity (% 83 86 84 88 84 89 85 90 86 91 105 113 86 93 100 108 117 87 95 103 Likelihood of Heat Disorders with Prolonged Exposure or Strenuous Activity Caution Extreme Caution Danger Extreme Danger

Exhibit 5-6: Heat Index Chart

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In the last 10 years, the Community has experienced temperatures as low as -34°F in 2010 and as high as 87°F in 2015 (Weather Underground, 2018). There are no known fatalities, injuries, or illnesses caused by extreme temperatures in the Community. However, residents are impacted by these events in various ways.

Most residents are aware of the dangers of extreme cold and know how to prepare for winter weather. The Community is most at risk of extreme cold during a power outage or during winter hunting expeditions. Pipes freeze in government and private structures during extreme cold events. These events make it difficult to get vehicles started and pump oil. Extreme cold also exacerbates other problems. For example, severe cold weather combined with a power outage can increase the risk of cold related problems. Extreme cold in the late spring or early summer has the potential to impact plant growth and disrupt subsistence activities.

Extreme heat, on the other hand, can ruin subsistence fish harvest and cause harm to other subsistence wildlife and vegetation. Warmer winter temperature impedes travel for important winter subsistence hunting and harvesting. Elderly residents are distressed by extreme heat, especially because there is no air conditioning. Extreme heat also increases dust plumes, which negatively affects the health of elderly individuals and those with respiratory problems. Dried out vegetation from higher temperature also increases the risk of fires.

#### 5.1.2.3 <u>History of Occurrences</u>

History of extreme temperature events is based on accounts from community members. According to residents, extreme cold is occurring less often while extreme heat is occurring more often. Extreme cold events occur at least once every winter and can last up to several weeks at a time, while extreme heat events occur two to three times every summer but only lasts for a few days.

Data is not readily available for the Community; however, temperatures have been recorded in the nearby community of Dillingham, which is roughly 22.6 miles away. These communities are assumed to experience similar temperatures. Therefore, Table 5-9 and Table 5-10 identify historical extreme temperatures recorded in Dillingham (Weather Underground, 2018).

**Table 5-9: Historical Extreme Cold Events** 

Year	Minimum Temperature (°F)	# of Days Below -10°F
2018	-13	3
2017	-20	16
2016	-9	0
2015	-11	1
2014	-11	2
2013	-11	2
2012	-31	33
2011	-29	11
2010	-34	18
2009	-20	14
2008	-27	19

**Table 5-10: Historical Extreme Heat Events** 

Year	Maximum Temperature (°F)	# of Days Above 80°F		
2018	73	0		
2017	80	1		
2016	77	0		
2015	87	6		
2014	79	0		
2013	82	2		
2012	71	0		
2011	73	0		
2010	75	0		
2009	78	0		
2008	71	0		

# 5.1.2.4 **Probability of Future Events**

It is highly likely that the Community will continue to experience the effects of extreme temperatures.

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# 5.1.3 Severe Wind

Severe wind can accompany other natural hazards or occur alone. Wind events pose a threat to vital utilities, lives, and property. Severe winds are classified using the Beaufort Wind Scale. Strong gale winds of 47 miles per hour (mph) and greater are considered severe and likely to produce damage.

### 5.1.3.1 **Location**

Severe wind affects the entire tribal planning area (see Exhibit 5-1).

#### 5.1.3.2 Extent

The Beaufort Wind Scale gives a force scale of 1 - 12 based on sustained wind speed. Exhibit 5-7 identifies the scale and the consequences that are possible at the different levels as well as, the impacts to ocean water movement (NOAA NWS, March 2013). Any wind event, Force 9 and higher is considered severe and can cause damage within the Community.

**Exhibit 5-7: Beaufort Wind Scale** 

Face Wind Speed Canadana										
Force	Name	Wind knots	Speed mph	Consequence						
0	Calm	0	0	Smoke rises vertically						
Wave h	eight: 0 m - Sea: I	Like a mir	ror							
1	Light air	1-3	1-3	Smoke drifts with air						
Wave h	<b>eight:</b> 0.1 m (.25 f	t) - <b>Sea:</b> F	Ripples - N	o foam crests						
2	Light breeze	4-6	4-7	Weather vanes become active						
Wave h	eight: 0.2-0.3 m (0	0.5-1 ft) -	Sea: Smal	l wavelets - Not breaking						
3	Gentle breeze	7-10	8-12	Leaves and small twigs move						
Wave h	eight: 0.6-1 m (2-3	3 ft) - <b>Sea</b>	: Small wa	velets - Crests begin to break						
4	Moderate breeze	11-16	13-18	Small branches sway						
Wave h	eight: 1-1.5 m - S	ea: Small	waves be	coming longer, numerous whitecaps.						
5	Fresh breeze	17-21	19-24	Small trees sway - Waves break						
Wave h	eight: 2-2.5 m (6-8	3 ft) - <b>Sea</b>	: Moderate	e waves - Many whitecaps						
6	Strong breeze	22-27	25-31	Large branches sway						
Wave h	eight: 3-4 m (9.5-	13 ft) - <b>Se</b>	a: Larger v	waves forming - Whitecaps everywhere						
7	Near gale	28-33	32-38	Whole trees sway - difficult to walk						
Wave h	eight: 4-5.5 m (13	.5-19 ft) -	Sea: Sea	heaps up - White foam blown around						
8	Gale	34-40	39-46	Twigs break off trees						
Wave h	eight: 5.5-7.5 m (1	18-25 ft) -	Sea: Edge	es of crests break into spindrifts						
9	Strong gale	41-47	47-54	Shingles blow off roofs						
Wave h	eight: 7-10 m (23-	32 ft) - <b>S</b> e	a: High w	aves - Sea rolls - Reduced visibility						
10	Storm	48-55	55-63	Trees uprooted - Damage to buildings						
Wave h	eight: 9-12.5 m (2	9-41 ft) -	Sea: Very	high waves with overhanging crests						
11	Violent Storm	56-63	64-73	Widespread damage						
Wave h	<b>eight:</b> 11.5-16 m (	37-52 ft) -	Sea: Exc	eptionally high waves						
12	Hurricane	Over 63	Over 73	Violent destruction						
Wave h	eight: 16+ m (52+	ft) - Soa:	Sea comr	oletely white - Excessive foam						

Severe wind can be present all year, but these events are most common during the fall and winter months. These conditions can cause loose debris to blow around the Community and detach roofing or siding from homes and other structures.

The Community is surrounded by trees. Severe wind can cause trees to blow over and damage homes, cause power outages when they land on overhead power lines, and cause

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interruptions to communication. When power outages happen during cold temperatures it produces a hazard to residents.

In the winter, severe winds can cause snowdrifts that impacts visibility and travel throughout the Community. In the summer and fall months, severe wind conditions produce an unhealthy amount of dust. The roads in the Community are gravel. This produces large amounts of airborne dust, impacting subsistence harvests and producing a breathing risk to everyone, but especially young children, the elderly, and those with respiratory issues.

# 5.1.3.3 <u>History of Occurrences</u>

Wind data is not readily available for the Community; however, wind speeds have been recorded in the nearby community of Dillingham, which is roughly 22.6 miles away. These communities are assumed to experience similar wind speeds although topographic features can magnify wind speeds when present in the area. Therefore, Table 5-11 identifies historical severe wind events recorded in Dillingham (Weather Underground, 2018).

Max Wind # of Days Year Speed (mph) Above 47 mph 

Table 5-11: Historical Severe Wind Events

#### 5.1.3.4 Probability of Future Events

Severe wind events are highly likely to continue to occur in the Community.

#### 5.1.4 Severe Winter Weather

Severe winter storms can include snow, freezing rain, sleet, or a mix of the previous forms of precipitation. Heavy snowfall occurs when large quantities of snow are produced in a short period of time. Drifting snow creates an uneven distribution of snow caused by strong winds. This weather can harm individuals, cause power outages, damage utilities, and cause property damage.

#### 5.1.4.1 **Location**

Severe winter weather affects the entire tribal planning area (see Exhibit 5-1).

#### 5.1.4.2 Extent

Blowing snow is a hazard to residents. Many residents travel between the north and south shore of Aleknagik in the winter on all-terrain vehicles (ATV). This can be dangerous during severe winter conditions. During a blizzard, it is challenging to see and locate the direction to travel. As a result, residents can become lost and are at risk of frost bite and hypothermia. These conditions also make it hard to see while driving around the community.

Power outages can be caused by severe winter storms. If power is not quickly restored, the clinic is at risk of losing essential medications and vaccines that require refrigeration. Young children and community elders are at greater risk of injury during power outages.

Icy conditions throughout the Community can present a hazard for all residents. Vehicles are at risk of sliding off the roads if the roads are not cleared of snow and ice. This can prevent the bus / transit system from operating. Some residents rely on this system to transport them around the community and into Dillingham. Walking residents are at risk of falling and injuring themselves. Walking residents share the road with vehicles and large equipment. This causes a risk to pedestrians walking in the Community.

#### 5.1.4.3 History of Occurrences

Precipitation data is not readily available for the Community. However, precipitation has been recorded in the nearby community of Dillingham, which is roughly 22.6 miles away. These communities are assumed to experience similar amounts of precipitation. Table 5-12 identifies historical severe winter weather events recorded in Dillingham between the months of November and March (Weather Underground, 2018).

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**Table 5-12: Historical Severe Winter Weather Events** 

Year	Maximum One Day Precipitation (inches)	# of Days Above 1.0 in
2018	64	1
2017	32	0
2016	37	0
2015	64	5
2014	64	2
2013	38	0
2012	39	0
2011	38	0
2010	69	1
2009	59	3
2008	38	0

Additionally, residents in the Community recalled a winter when the school roof collapsed due to the snow load. The residents could not recall the specific year of this event.

#### 5.1.4.4 **Probability of Future Events**

Severe winter weather will likely continue to occur and impact the Community. However, the Community is noticing that they are not getting the amount of snow that they used to get in the past. This is due to the warmer winter temperatures that they are experiencing.

#### 5.1.5 Wildfire

A wildfire spreads through the consumption of vegetation. It typically occurs in areas with abundant vegetation. It often begins unnoticed and spreads quickly. It produces dense smoke that can be seen for many miles. Wildfires can result in damage to property, subsistence areas, and loss of life. The smoke produced from wildfires can prohibit air transportation in and out of a community, and reduces air quality.

Fuel, weather, and topography contribute to the behavior of the wildfire (Idaho Firewise, 2018):

- Wildfire fuel includes structures and vegetation. Dense, large areas burn for a longer duration and create large amounts of heat. Less dense and dry areas burn quickly with less heat.
- Weather that can affect a wildfire includes wind, moisture, temperature, cloudiness, and air pressure. Wind moves the wildfire across the landscape and provides oxygen which can make the fire grow quickly. It can also cause embers to blow to new areas potentially causing new fire locations. Low humidity and high temperatures can cause the vegetation to become dry. High humidity and rain can extinguish or slow the fire down.
- Topography, or physical features, including aspect and slope of an area, can contribute to the behavior of a wildfire. Wildfires burn more rapidly moving up a slope because it preheats the fuels which makes them more combustible. Also, south and west facing slopes have drier fuels due to more exposure to the sun.

# 5.1.5.1 **Location**

A map of wildfires located in and around the Community since 1939 is provided in Exhibit 5-8. However, wildfires have an impact on the entire tribal planning area (see Exhibit 5-1) due to the impacts of smoke and subsistence resources.

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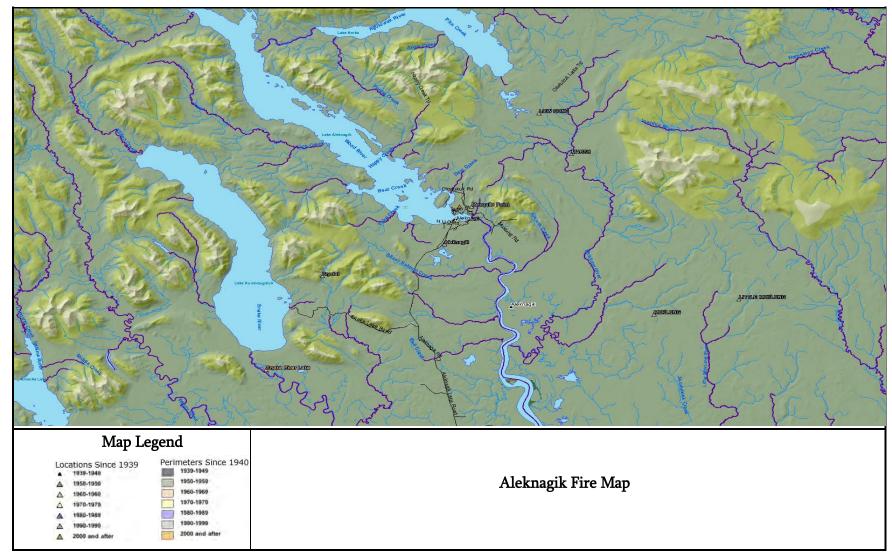


Exhibit 5-8: Aleknagik Fire Map

Source: (Alaska Interagency Coordination Center, 2018)

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#### 5.1.5.2 **Extent**

Subsistence areas around the Community provide needed food sources for residents. Wildfires can damage these areas and the resources they provide, such as berries, greens, and wildlife.

Smoke from wildfires produce poor air quality. It is hazardous to residents and pets, especially the elders, young children, and those with respiratory issues. Smoke from wildfires can also have a negative impact on subsistence harvests, specifically fish in smokehouses and in drying racks. This is an issue because residents throughout the community rely on these harvests to sustain themselves through the winter months.

Nearby wildfires are a great concern and stress for the Community because they lack the ability to fight a large fire if one were to occur. The City has a fire truck, but other fire suppression gear is lacking or outdated.

#### 5.1.5.3 <u>History of Occurrences</u>

Table 5-13 below provides a list of wildfires and their impacts (in acreage) in or around the Community (Alaska Interagency Coordination Center, 2018).

Fire Name	Year	Estimated Impact (Acres)	Distance from Aleknagik (Miles)
Unnamed	2001	0.1	0.4
Marsh	1997	30	6.7
Low Cone	1997	10	7.2
Muklung	1997	1.5	11.5
Little Muklung	1997	2.0	14.9
Mosquito Point	1996	0.5	0.8
Aleknagik	1996	0.1	1.9
Crystal	1992	20	7.6
Snake River Lake	1960	4.0	13.2
Dillingham	1952	45,000	22.3
Aleknagik	1942	12,000	6.2

Table 5-13: History of Wildfires

Additionally, residents in the Community recalled the following impacts from fires:

• In the early 2000s there was a fire by the old landfill which burned approximately 5 acres (see Figures 1 through 4). This fire was close to two homes in the Community, it smoldered for days, and filled the Community with smoke. The

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Community requested assistance from Dillingham to help put this fire out. One resident recalls that most of the men were out of the Community commercial fishing. Fire jumpers came in from McGrath, and C-130s dropped red powder on the fire. The day was spent evacuating homes closest to the landfill, to the school. Burned trees are still seen on the hill behind the old landfill today.

• In 2013 being impacted by smoke from surrounding wildfires.

#### 5.1.5.4 Probability of Future Events

Wildfires are highly likely to continue to affect the Community. The Community is noticing drier and hotter seasons with more lightning. These conditions cause the vegetation to become drier, and more susceptible to fires. These same conditions are becoming more common throughout Alaska, which also increases the risk of smoke from distant wildfires being blown into the Community.

#### 5.2 COMMUNITY ASSETS

The Planning Team determined the potential impacts of natural hazards to the Community assets. Assets are broadly defined as anything that is important to the Community such as the people, the economy, and the natural and built environments of the Community. Some assets are more vulnerable to these hazards because of their socioeconomic uses and physical characteristics.

# 5.2.1 People

The most important asset to the Community is the people. The 2017 DCCED certified population was 237. This population increases during the summer months due to tourism. Residents are not always in their homes. The following list provides the main places that people are in large numbers during the day when not in their place of residence.

- Community shop
- Municipal building
- IGAP office
- Tribal Building / Community building

# 5.2.2 Local Economy

The local economy is important to understand when planning to reduce the impacts of hazards. Economic resiliency influences recovery after a natural disaster. Tourism brings in a significant share of the Community's annual tax revenues. The following is a list of economic resources that could be affected and pose a severe impact on the Community should a hazard effect the Community.

- Transit Bus
- Gas Station
- Mission Lodge
- Bearclaw Lodge

- Community Shop
- Bulk Fuel Tanks
- Aleknagik Island Lodge
- Tribally owned land / Future HUD homes and Tribal building

#### 5.2.3 Built Environment

Existing infrastructure and structures are another important asset to the Community. There are three lodges in or near the Community that operate during the summer months. These lodges have equipment (planes and boats) that could be of assistance to the Community during a natural hazard, depending on the circumstance. The following is a list of important infrastructure, existing structures, and critical facilities in the community.

- Critical Facilities/Existing Structures
  - Clinic
  - GCI Facility
  - Bulk Fuel Tanks
  - Mission Lodge
  - Bearclaw Lodge
  - Ambulance/Fire Truck Building
  - City Office/Post Office/VPSO
     Building

- School
- Teacher Housing
- Gas Station
- Aleknagik Island Lodge
- Municipal Maintenance Building
- Tribal Building/Community Building

#### • Infrastructure

- Roads - Trails

Wood River Bridge
 Boat/Barge Landing Area

Bulk Fuel TanksGas Station

LandfillSewer Lagoon

 Tribally Owned Equipment (van, dump truck, 2 skid steers, flatbed truck, excavator, 2 ATVs, 2 snow machines, bull dozer, ATV cart, and snow machine sled)

5.2.4 Natural Environment

Natural resources and environmental assets are also important to the Community. These resources are important to the Community's quality of life and identity.

Dock

- Subsistence areas (hunting and berry picking areas)
- Wood River
- Lake Aleknagik

#### 5.3 RISK ANALYSIS

The risk analysis assesses the potential effects of the identified hazards on the vulnerable assets that have been identified. Table 5-14 provides a list of the identified assets with the Community. It provides a monetary value, if applicable, to the asset as well as the number of occupants that could be affected should a natural hazard impact the asset. Each asset was evaluated for each identified hazard. If the hazard posed a significant risk to the asset an "X" was placed in the corresponding "Hazard Impact" column in Table 5-14. This information helped the Planning Team determine where the Community is most vulnerable and further helped in the identification of mitigation goals and actions.

The Planning Team used a combination of historical, exposure, and scenario analysis to determine the impact each hazard could have on the Community assets. They used historical analysis by reviewing the frequency and impact on the Community of the hazard in the past. Exposure analysis was used by evaluating the existing assets in the area where the hazard is likely to occur or has occurred in the past. Additionally, they used Community plans to identify future assets that may be affected by the hazard. The Planning Team used scenario analysis by asking "what if" questions about the hazard and made predictions of how the hazard would impact the Community assets should a hazard occur.

**Table 5-14: Risks to Vulnerable Assets** 

							Н	lazard	Impa	cts	
Facility Type	Facility Number (See Figs. 1 & 2)	Facility Name	Number of Occupants	Location (Latitude, Longitude)	Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire
	24	Roads	N/A	15.4 miles total	\$25M	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	
	17	Wood River Bridge	N/A	59°16'26.46"N, 158°35'25.81"W	\$5M	Х					
Transportation	11	Ambulance / Fire Truck Building	3	59°16'44.41"N, 158°37'21.34"W	Unknown	х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Transpc	21	Tribally Owned Equipment	N/A		Unknown		Х	Х			Х
	20	Transit Bus	1	59°16'44.27"N, 158°37'17.84"W	\$66k		Х	Х			х
	1	Dock	1	59°16'45.90"N, 158°37'41.28"W	Unknown	Х					x
tional	4	Aleknagik School	35	59°16'52.43"N, 158°37'34.70"W	\$25M	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Educational	3	Teacher Housing	10	59°16'50.19"N, 158°37'30.84"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

Table 5-14 (Continued): Risks to Vulnerable Assets

							F	lazard	Impa	ets	
Facility Type	Facility Number (See Figs. 1 & 2)	Facility Name	Number of Occupants	Location (Latitude, Longitude)	Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire
Medical	10	Clinic	6	59°16'45.26"N, 158°37'21.35"W	\$3M	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Government	26	IGAP Office	2	59°16'5.84"N, 158°37'35.20"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Соver	12	Municipal Building/Post Office	10	59°16'43.83"N, 158°37'21.30"W	\$250K	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	25	GCI Facility	N/A	59°16'4.23"N, 158°37'37.40"W		Х			X	X	Х
Utilities	16	Landfill	1	59°18'7.33"N, 158°36'53.77"W	\$1M				Х	Х	х
Utill	2	Sewage Lagoon	1	59°17'2.58"N, 158°37'48.69"W	Unknown	Х					Х
	15	Bulk Tanks	N/A	59°16'43.46"N, 158°37'18.57"W	Unknown	Х	Х			Х	Х

Table 5-14 (Continued): Risks to Vulnerable Assets

							F	lazard	Impa	cts	
Facility Type	Facility Number (See Figs. 1 & 2)	Facility Name	Number of Occupants	Location (Latitude, Longitude)	Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire
Utilities (Continued)	14	Gas Station	N/A	59°16'43.65"N, 158°37'18.50"W	Unknown	х	Х			Х	х
Utill (Conti	27	Nushagak Electric	N/A	59°16'2.99"N, 158°37'35.51"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
	9	Tribal/ Community Building	8	59°16'39.64"N, 158°37'26.78"W	\$300k	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
ty	5	Russian Orthodox Church	2	59°16'44.31"N, 158°37'27.16"W	\$25K	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
Community	7	Moravian Church	6	59°16'41.25"N, 158°37'27.49"W	\$25K	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
$\mathcal{C}^{\mathcal{C}}$	6	Cemetery	N/A	59°16'40.93"N, 158°37'26.12"W					Х		Х
	8	Community Shop	1	59°16'40.32"N, 158°37'26.90"W	Unknown	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

Table 5-14 (Continued): Risks to Vulnerable Assets

							F	lazard	Impa	ets	
Facility Type	Facility Number (See Figs. 1 & 2)	Facility Name	Number of Occupants	Location (Latitude, Longitude)	Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire
ned)	13	Municipal Maintenance Building	2	59°16'45.23"N, 158°37'17.82"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
Community (Continued)	29	Mission Lodge		59°16'32.73"N, 158°35'57.80"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
munity	30	Aleknagik Island Lodge		59°17'20.21"N, 158°39'53.46"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
Сот	31	Bearclaw Lodge		59°21'20.85"N, 158°48'31.91"W	Unknown	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
ent	18	ATC Land	N/A	Community Wide		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
vironem	19	ANL Lands / Berry Picking Bushes	N/A	Community Wide		Х		Х			х
Natural Environement	22	Lake Aleknagik	N/A	59°16'37.09"N, 158°39'34.18"W			Х		Х	Х	
Nat	23	Wood River	N/A	59°16'27.23"N, 158°35'39.91"W			Х		Х	Х	

# 5.4 VULNERABILITY

The following lists the Community's overall vulnerability to the hazards that affect the planning area, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(2)(ii).

- <u>Earthquakes</u> Each home has at least one groundwater well and relies on this for drinking water and household uses. The quality of water in the drinking water aquifer could be altered during an earthquake. Damage to older community structures and underground utilities could be caused due to seismic activity.
- <u>Extreme Cold</u> Unnaturally cold temperatures in spring and summer impact plant growth and disrupts subsistence activities. Pipes freeze in government and private structures during extreme cold events.
- <u>Extreme Heat</u> Subsistence harvests are ruined in extreme heat conditions. Unnaturally warm winter temperatures impede travel for needed winter subsistence hunting and harvesting. Hot summer temperatures dry out vegetation and increases wildfire risk.
- <u>Severe Wind</u> Damage to structures, overhead power lines, and communication infrastructure have occurred due to severe wind speeds.
- <u>Severe Winter Weather</u> –Power outages can occur during these events and can have an impact on refrigerated medical supplies. Residents can become lost while traveling between the north and south shore of Lake Aleknagik during severe winter weather events.
- Wildfire Nearby subsistence areas and resources have been lost due to wildfires.
  The smoke from nearby wildfires and blown in smoke from distant wildfires
  decreases the air quality and poses a health risk to residents. The community
  doesn't have the ability to fight large fires on their own and needs external
  assistance.

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#### 6.0 MITIGATION STRATEGY

The following section describes the Community's mitigation strategy. This mitigation strategy will serve as a long-term plan for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment. The THMP discusses the Community's current, pre-, and post-disaster hazard management plan, and existing and potential funding sources. It also provides the Community's mitigation goals, and actions. Along with these goals and actions this section provides an action plan, a tracking process for the mitigation actions, and a plan to implement these goals and actions into existing planning mechanisms.

#### 6.1 Pre-/Post- Disaster Hazard Management

Pre- and post-disaster hazard management programs, policies, and mitigation capabilities of the Community were reviewed, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(3) and 201.7(c)(3)(iv). The Planning Team used this review to identify existing opportunities and challenges of existing capabilities of the Community. This information aided in the determination of mitigation actions for the identified hazards.

The Community is small with limited financial, planning and land management tools, and administrative and technical capabilities. The resources available in the Community are listed below in Table 6-1 and Table 6-2. Expanding upon existing capabilities in the Community to further address mitigation issues is challenging due to the small size of the Community. Increasing these capabilities would require additional funding and personnel. This THMP provides an opportunity to identify challenges and needs for additional programs and/or policies. It also provides an opportunity to work with other local agencies in the development of these programs and policies. The Council, and other local partners, will use this plan as a roadmap to a systematic and structured approach to increase the overall mitigation capabilities of the Community. Opportunities for expansion of capabilities will be coordinated and evaluated with each plan review and update.

The Community's planning and regulatory tools are listed in Table 6-1 below. These tools aid in the prevention and reduction of impacts from hazards in the Community.

Regulatory Tools<br/>(ordinances, codes, plans)(Yes / No)CommentsComprehensive PlanYes2013, developed by the CityLand Use PlanNo--Wildland Fire Protection PlanNo--

Table 6-1: Planning and Regulatory Tools

Table 6-1 (Continued): Planning and Regulatory Tools

Regulatory Tools (ordinances, codes, plans)	(Yes / No)	Comments
Emergency Response Plan	No	
Emergency Operations Plan	Yes	2012, developed by the City, the Council, and Aleknagik Natives Limited (Corporation)
Long Range Transportation Plan	No	
Tribal Transportation Safety Plan	Yes	Needs Updated
Other Special Plans (e.g., climate change adaptation, coastal zone management)	No	
Building Code <sup>1</sup>	No	
Zoning Ordinances	No	
Subdivision Ordinances or Regulations	No	
Other	No	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New public facilities are designed by licensed professionals using applicable state and federal codes and regulations present at the time of design.

The Community's administrative and technical capabilities are listed in Table 6-2 below. These staff and their skills and tools can be used for mitigation planning and to implement specific mitigation actions.

Table 6-2: Administrative and Technical Capability

Staff / Personnel Resources	(Yes / No)	Department / Agency and Position		
Administrator	Yes	Tribe		
Environmental Program	Yes	Tribe		
Fire Department	Yes	Volunteer		
Librarian	Yes	School		
Village Public Safety Officer	No	Vacant		
Health Aide	Yes	Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation (BBAHC)		
Planner or engineer with knowledge of land development and land management practices	No	The Tribe hires consultants with this knowledge		
Engineer or professional trained in construction practices related to buildings and/or infrastructure	No	The Tribe hires consultants with this knowledge		

Staff / Personnel Resources (Yes / No) **Department / Agency and Position** Planner or engineer with an The Tribe hires consultants with this understanding of natural and/or No knowledge human-caused hazards The Tribe hires consultants with this Surveyors No knowledge Floodplain Manager No Staff with education or expertise to The Tribe hires consultants with this assess the jurisdiction's vulnerability No knowledge to hazards Personnel skilled in Geospatial The Tribe hires consultants with this Information System (GIS) and/or No knowledge **HAZUS** Finance (Grant Writers) Yes Tribe, City, BBNA<sup>1</sup> (Situation Dependent)

Table 6-2 (Continued): Administrative and Technical Capability

#### 6.2 FUNDING

The following identifies existing and potential funding sources to implement proposed mitigation activities and actions, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(3)(iv) and 201.7(c)(3)(v).

# **6.2.1 Existing Funding Sources**

At the time of the development of the THMP the Tribe has not received or allocated any non-FEMA funds for hazard mitigation actions or projects. However, the Tribe received PDM grant funding for the development of the THMP.

# **6.2.2 Potential Funding Sources**

There are federal, tribal, and private funding sources available to the Tribe for proposed mitigation activities and projects. Sections 6.2.2.1 thru 6.2.2.3 provide a brief list and description of a selection of potential funding sources. In addition to the funding sources listed below other funding sources can be found from the following resources:

- Grants.gov <u>www.grants.gov</u> is a public website where all federal agency discretionary funding opportunities are posted for grantees to find and apply. Some grant postings close quickly, so it is important to frequently check for potential opportunities.
- Catalog of Federal Resilience Programs for Alaskan Communities The Denali Commission published a catalog detailing programs that are available to Alaskan

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BBNA provides post-disaster grant management staff who can assist the Tribe with grant applications for disaster recovery and long-term recovery plans.

communities. A copy of the catalog is located in Appendix D. See Section 8.0 for a web link to the catalog to check for updates (Arctic Executive Steering Committee, 2015).

### 6.2.2.1 Federal Funds

FEMA provides funding for eligible mitigation planning and projects that protect life and property from future disaster damages and reduces disaster losses. This funding is administered through three programs, the PDM, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), and the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program. Below is a brief description of each of these funding sources.

# Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program

The PDM Program is authorized by Section 203 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The goal of this programs is to reduce the overall risk to structures and population from future hazard events. Funds from the program provide opportunities to raise public awareness and reduce future losses before disasters occur. PDM provides funds on an annual basis for hazard mitigation planning and projects. This funding is dependent on the amount congress appropriates each year (FEMA, 2018).

# Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

HMGP is authorized under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Following a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration HMGP supports post-disaster cost-effective projects. The purpose of the HMGP is to provide funding for long-term hazard mitigation planning and projects that will reduce the risk of loss of property and life from future disaster. HMGP provides funding up to 75% of mitigation projects. The remaining 25% of the mitigation project funding needs will come from other available funding sources (FEMA, 2018).

# Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program

The FMA Program is authorized by Section 1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968. The goal of this program is to reduce or eliminate claims made under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). FMA provides funding on an annual basis for planning and projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of flood damage to buildings that are insured under the NFIP. Funding for this program is dependent on the amount congress appropriates each year for this program (FEMA, 2018).

## 6.2.2.2 <u>Tribal Funds</u>

Tribal funds are available to the Community. One of the Tribal funds available is the IGAP. The IGAP provides funding sources to help manage and maintain an environmental office. This office conducts environmental assessments for the Community and helps to prioritize environmental concerns, and educate the public.

#### 6.2.2.3 Private Funds

In general, private funds are not readily available to the Tribe. However, the Tribe could potentially have access to funds through local non-profit organizations and regional corporations.

#### 6.3 MITIGATION GOALS

The findings from the risk assessment were used to develop mitigation goals and actions. The mitigation goals in this THMP are general guidelines that describe Community goals,  $44 \, \text{CFR} \, 201.7(c)(3)(i)$ . These goals are broad, long-term statements that represent the Community's vision for avoiding and reducing losses from the identified hazards. The Planning Team has identified the mitigation goals in Table 6-3.

**Goal Number Goal Description** 1 Build the capacity of the Tribe to prepare, respond to, and recover from disasters. 2 Promote education about hazards and the emergency plan. 3 Reduce the possibility of damages due to earthquakes 4 Reduce the possibility of damages due to extreme temperatures 5 Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe wind. 6 Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe winter weather. 7 Reduce the possibility of damages due to wildfires.

**Table 6-3: Mitigation Goals** 

# 6.4 POTENTIAL MITIGATION ACTIONS

Mitigation actions are specific activities, projects, actions, and processes that aid in achieving the mitigation goals. These actions are used to eliminate or reduce long-term risk to property and people from hazards and their impacts, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(3)(ii). There are four (4) types of mitigation actions that will help reduce long-term vulnerabilities. Mitigation actions fall under the following categories, local plans and regulations, infrastructure and structure projects, natural systems protections, and education and awareness programs. The Planning Team brainstormed and developed a comprehensive list of potential mitigation actions. The full list (Potential Mitigation Actions) is located in Appendix A.

Not all of the identified actions can be implemented in the final action plan. This could be due to a lack of political acceptance, technical feasibility, lack of funding, and other constraints. The Planning Team refined the list of potential mitigation actions (see Appendix A) using the criterion listed below (FEMA, March 2013). These criterion were

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used to facilitate discussions and to aid in the determination of mitigation actions to be implemented into the prioritized mitigation action plan (Section 6.5). The underlined and bold action identification (IDs) in the potential mitigation actions list (see Appendix A) were selected by the Planning Team to be implemented into the action plan. Each of these actions were more thoroughly analyzed using the Mitigation Action Evaluation Worksheet located in Appendix A (FEMA, March 2013).

- Life Safety Analyzes how effective the action is at preventing injuries and protecting lives.
- Property Protection Analyzes the significance of the action at eliminating or reducing damage to infrastructure and structures.
- Technical Analyzes if the action is technically feasible and if it is a long-term solution.
- Political Analyzes public and political support of the action.
- Legal Analyzes if the Community has authority to implement the action.
- Environmental Analyzes the actions impacts on the environment and if it complies with environmental regulations.
- Social Analyzes the action based on its effect on one or more segments of the population.
- Administrative Analyzes the Community's personnel and administrative capabilities to implement and maintain action.
- Local Champion Analyzes the action to determine if there is a strong advocate that will support the action's implementation.
- Other Community Objectives Analyzes if the action advances other community objectives or plans.

These identified and selected activities represent a comprehensive range that will lessen the need for preparedness or response resources when a natural hazard impacts the Community in the future.

#### 6.5 MITIGATION ACTION PLAN

The actions to be implemented into the mitigation action plan, identified by the Planning Team, were prioritized based on the importance of each item relative to the plan's goals, risks, and capabilities of the Community, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(3)(iii). Table 6-4 provides a prioritized list of mitigation actions, the position, office, department or agency responsible for the implementation of the action, potential funding options, and the timeframe for the action to be implemented. The Mitigation Action Implementation Worksheet (THMP Form 6-1) is included in Appendix E.

**Table 6-4: Prioritized Mitigation Actions** 

<sup>1</sup> Action ID	Description	Priority (High, Medium, Low)	Coordinating Department	Implementation Department/Role	Potential Funding Source	Timeframe
1.A	Acquire a Community satellite phone.	High	Council	Council	Grant	1 – 2 Years
1.B	Identify a community member with VHF equipment and make a plan to use in an emergency.	High	Council	Council	N/A	1 Year
2.A	Educate residents about a family emergency plan.	Low	Council	Council / City	Grant	3 Years
2.B	Include information about a 72-hour kit in the IGAP newsletter.	Low	Council	IGAP	N/A	1 Year
3.A	Hold presentations about earthquake safety at the school.	Medium	Council	Council / School	N/A	1 Year
4.D	Provide education to the Community about the sypmtoms and treatment of heat stroke and frostbite.	High	Council	Council / School / IGAP	N/A	1 Year
5.A	Apply dust control on roads in the Community.	High	Council	Council / City	TTP / Grant	1 – 2 Years
6.C	Develop and distribute a winter weatherization checklist to residents (items to be stored or inspected prior to winter).	High	Council	Council / IGAP	N/A	1 Year
7.A	Educate community about cutting brush around homes for a fire barrier.	High	Council	Council / City / Fire/ Community	Grant	1 Year
7.B	Hold presentation about fire safety at the school.	Medium	Council	Council / School / Fire	N/A	1 Year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Action ID's are not in sequential order. For a full listing of potential mitigation action items see Appendix A.

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# 6.6 IMPLEMENTING ACTION PLAN INTO OTHER PLANNING MECHANISMS

After the adoption of the THMP by the Council, the Planning Team will work to incorporate the goals and actions of the THMP into other existing Community planning mechanisms, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(4)(iii). The Planning Team will accomplish this by performing the following activities:

- Review community-specific regulatory tools to establish where to incorporate the mitigation philosophy into other plans.
- Work with the community to increase awareness for implementing THMP
  philosophies and initiatives into other planning mechanisms. Provide assistance
  with incorporating the mitigation strategy (and Mitigation Action Plan) into
  relevant planning mechanisms (i.e., Utility Master Plans, Transportation Plans,
  Comprehensive Plan, Capital Improvement Project List, etc.)
- Update or amend other applicable planning mechanisms as necessary to include the THMP Action Plan.

## 6.7 Reviewing Progress Goals

Tracking the progress of the mitigation actions and goals is important to the THMP, 44 CFR 201.7(c)(4)(ii) and 201.7(c)(4)(v). The Prioritized Mitigation Actions (Table 6-4) provide information pertaining to the tracking process for each mitigation action. It provides the following tracking process information:

- The estimated time to implement each action.
- The department, office, or agency responsible for coordinating and monitoring the implementation of each action; and
- The department, office, or agency and their respective roles in implementing each action.

The Mitigation Action Plan in Section 6.5 provides a description of the planned implementation timeframe for each Mitigation Action. A Mitigation Action Progress Report will be completed annually to monitor the progress of the Mitigation Actions, and any Mitigation Actions that require project closeout. The Mitigation Action Progress Report will address the current status of the mitigation project, any changes made to the project, implementation problems, and appropriate strategies to overcome them. The Mitigation Action Progress Report (THMP Form 6-2) is located in Appendix E.

When FEMA-supported projects are completed, the project closeout documents will be prepared by the Tribe. Project closeout may include final invoicing, site inspections, and summary memorandums of the Mitigation Actions.

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# 7.0 PLAN ASSURANCES AND ADOPTION

This section complies with the requirements of 44 CFR 201.7(c)(6) and 44 CFR 201.7(c)(5). The Tribe assures that it will comply with all applicable regulation and federal statutes in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding in compliance with 44 CFR Parts 200 and 3002. The Tribe will amend its plan, whenever necessary, to reflect changes in federal or tribal laws and statutes.

The Council will formally adopt the THMP after receiving a letter from FEMA stating that the plan is approved pending adoption. The THMP adoption resolution will be signed by the Council and will be placed in Appendix F. This document will show the Tribe's commitment to implementing the mitigation strategies identified in the THMP and authorizes the responsible agencies to execute their actions.

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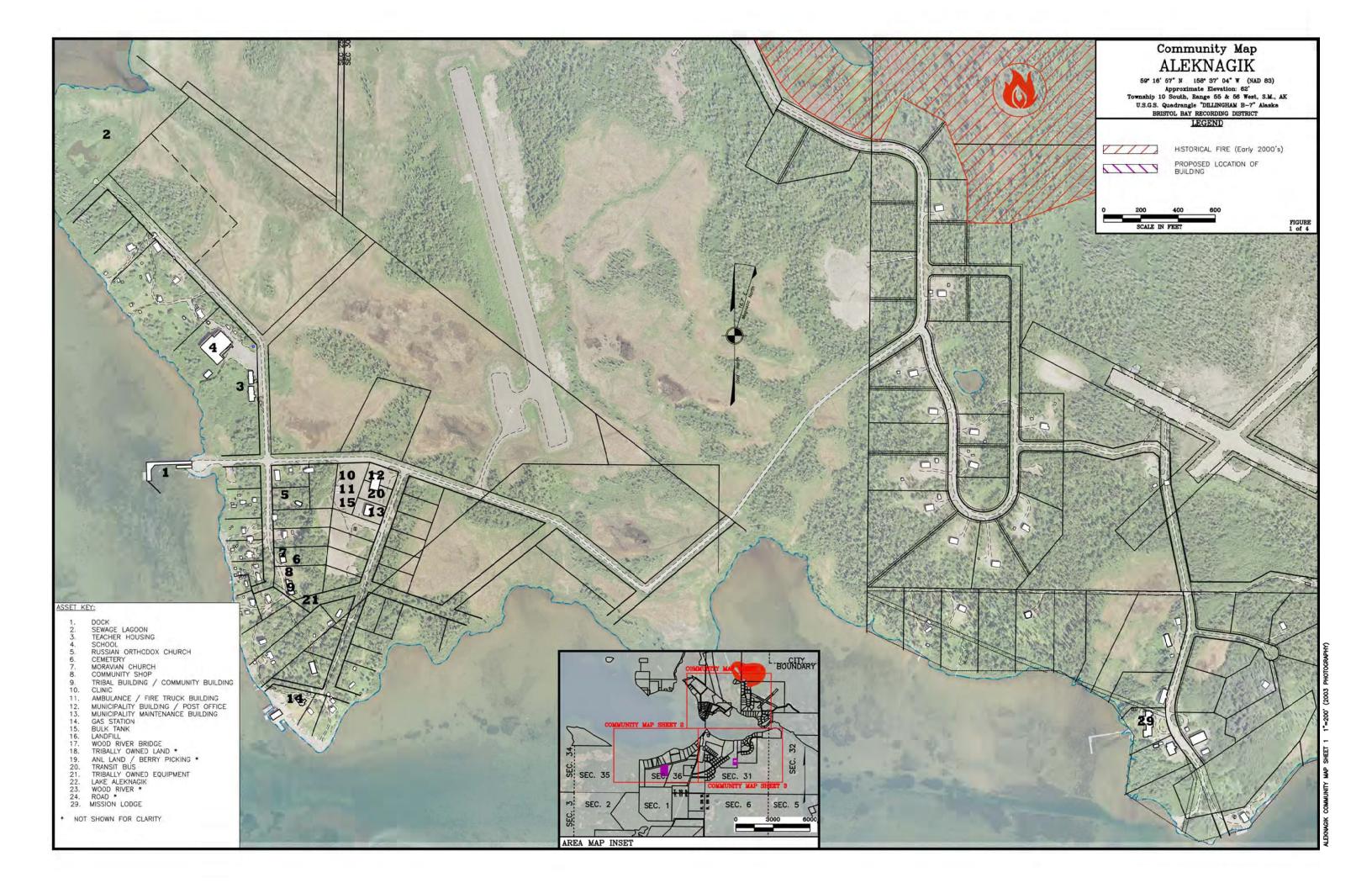
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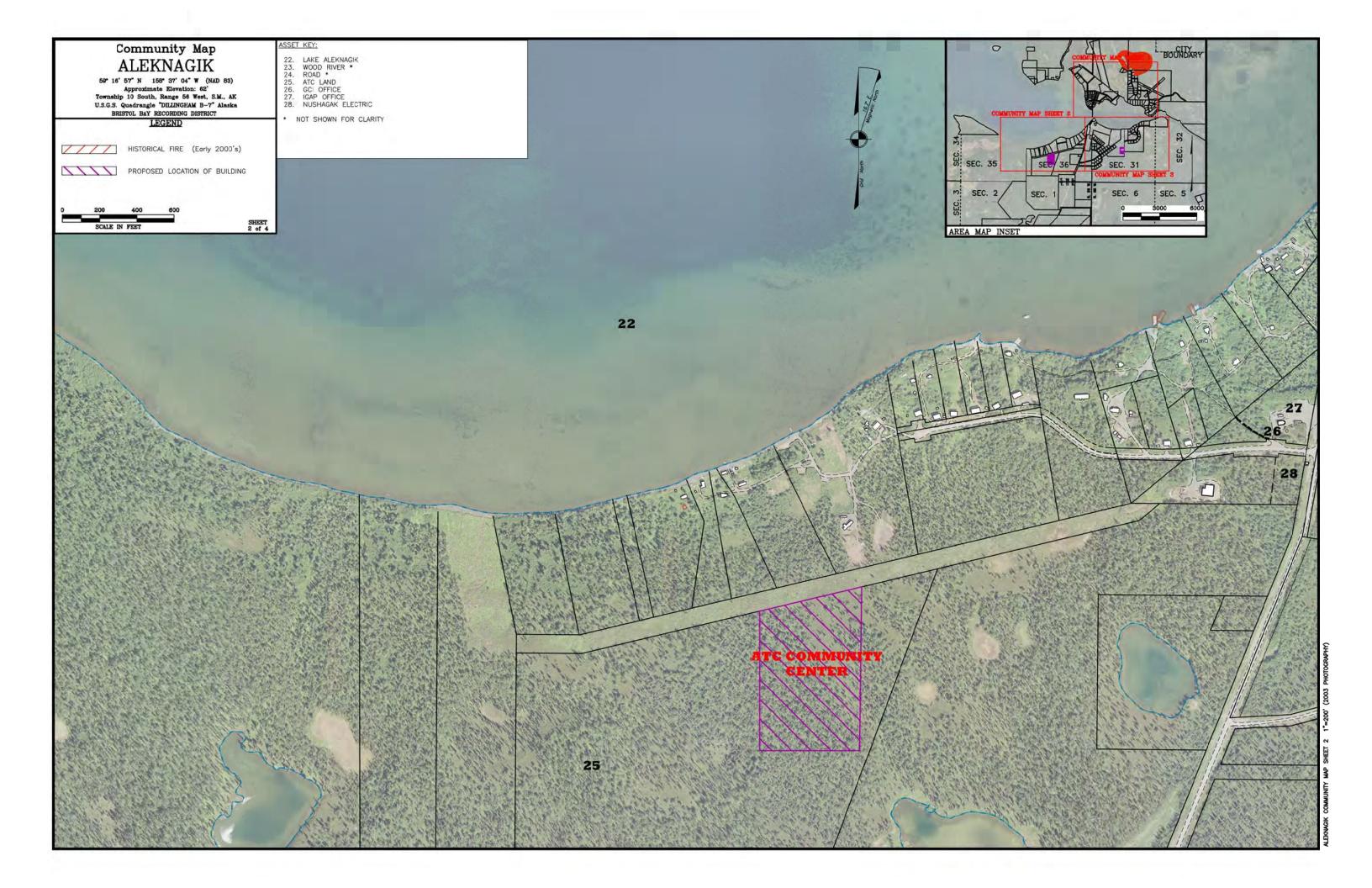
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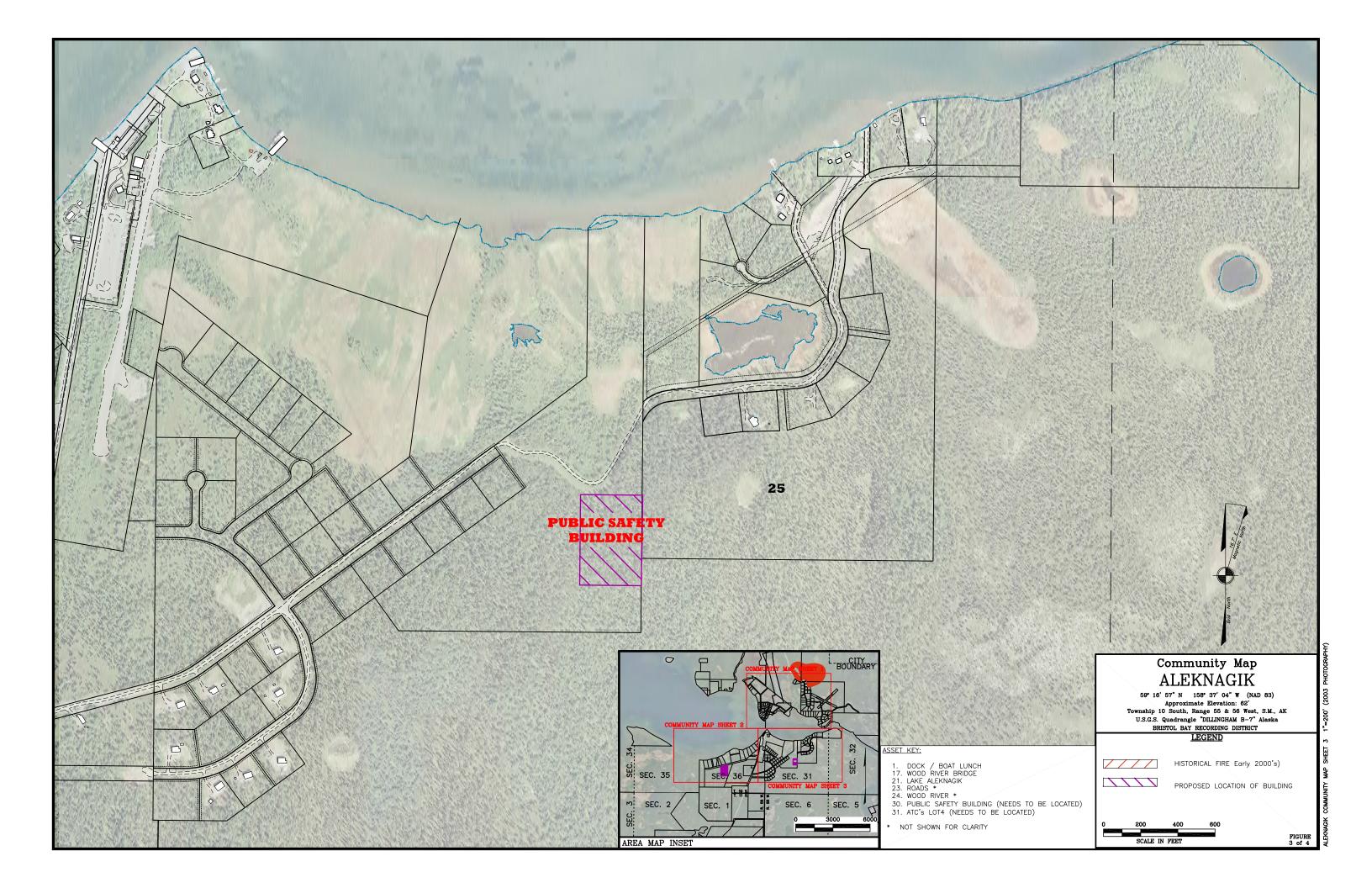
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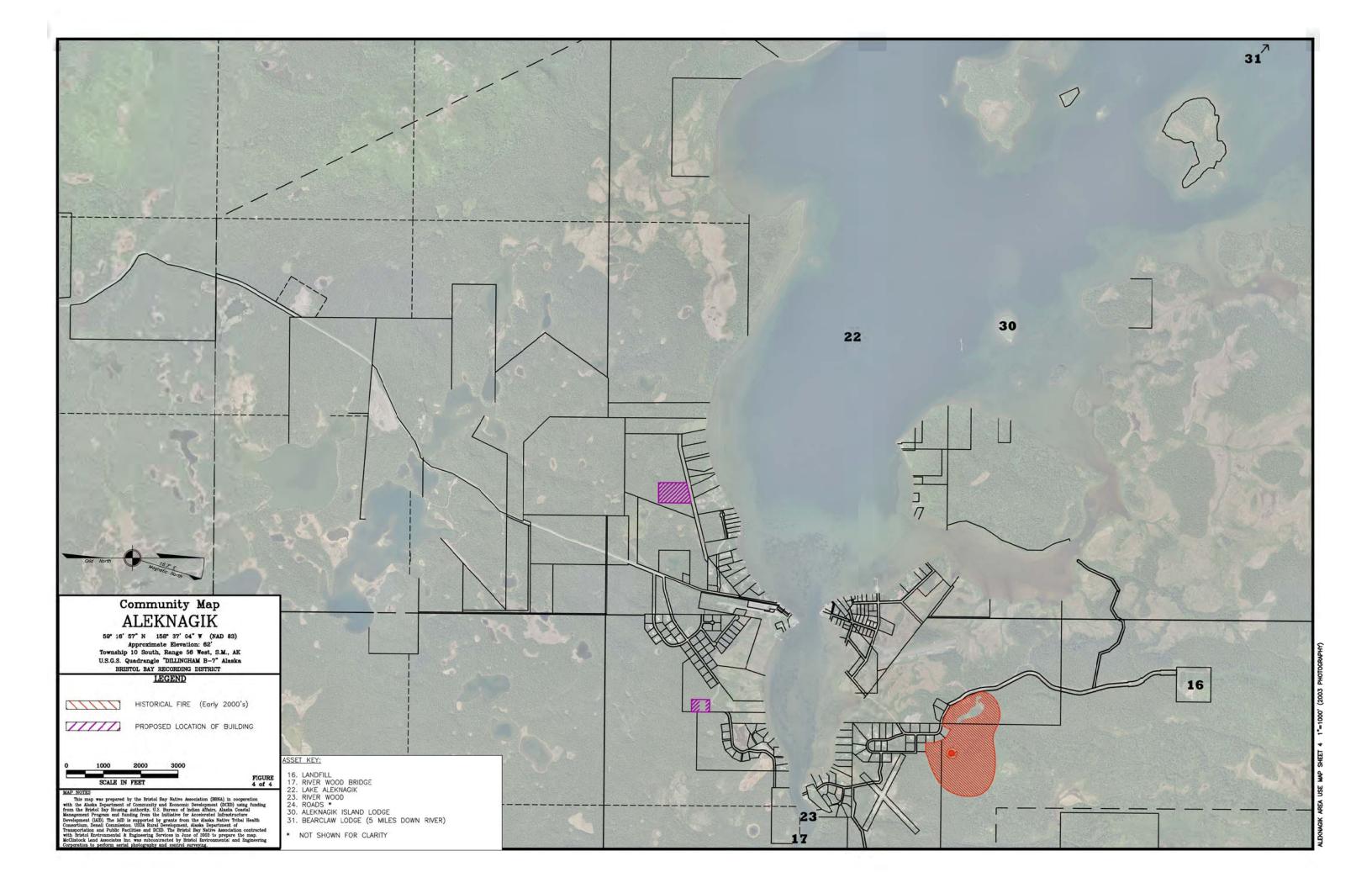
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# **APPENDIX A**

# Planning Process

- Meeting Minutes (September 25, 2018)
- Sign-In Sheet
- Hazard Identification Worksheet
- Risk Analysis Worksheet
- Marked Up Maps
- Mitigation Action Types & Examples
- Potential Mitigation Actions
- Mitigation Action Evaluation Worksheet



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## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Project: BBNA THMP & TTSP Project** 

Bristol Project No: 32190013

Reference: Aleknagik THMP Planning Team Workshop (Hazard ID, Risk Analysis, Mitigation)

<u>Date of Meeting</u>, September 25, 2018 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM Location of Meeting: Aleknagik Village Council Building

Participants:

**Bristol:** Danielle Dance **BBNA:** Annie Fritze

Aleknagik Planning Team: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

### **Summary**

A Planning Team meeting was held to collect data for the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). Hazards to profile in the THMP were identified. Data for the profiled hazards was collected, and assets were identified. Additionally, draft vulnerability statements, goals, and some mitigation strategies were identified and prioritized.

### **Action Items**

- Planning Team Continue to collect completed surveys and submit to Bristol as soon as possible.
- Bristol Send Survey's (completed on September 27, 2018)
- Bristol Locate assets and determine estimated value
- Bristol Determine if tribally owned lands and ANL lands can be considered an asset (See Risk Analysis section for more details)

# **General Notes**

- City Safety Plan
- Comprehensive Plan

### **Profiled Hazards**

- Earthquake
  - o A couple of summers ago (2016) it shook the homes, but no damage was done.
  - o 1964 Planning Team members recall feeling the earthquake. The trees were swaying. Ice broke up.
- Extreme Cold
  - o Last three winters have been mild.
  - o Residents feel the effects of the cold at -10° F due to the warmer / milder winters.
  - o The community has had frozen pipes but no broken pipes. When their pipes freeze they plug in the heat pipes.
  - o 2013 was the last time the Planning Team could remember it being extremely cold.

o The community experiences several power outages. This could be a bad thing if they had long stretch of time without power and it was cold. They recall a time when the power was out, and it was -30°F.

#### • Extreme Heat

- o Summer 2016 it was 90° F. These are high temperatures for Alaska.
- o The last few summers have seen these higher temperatures.
- o The roads (gravel) get extremely dusty.
  - This is a problem for people with respiratory issues such as asthma.
  - This also impacts their subsistence lifestyle dust is bad for drying fish.
- o The higher heat temperatures increase the risk of fires.

#### • Severe Wind

- o The worst winds happen in Fall and January / February.
- o The wind causes many power outages. Power comes from Dillingham.
  - Knocks trees down which causes outages.
  - Last outage recalled, the community was without power for a night.

#### • Severe Winter Weather

- o The community experiences freezing rain.
- o These storms also cause power outages. Power comes from Dillingham.
- o The bus / transit system cannot run because of these storms.
- o Planning Team recalled a time when the school roof collapsed because of the snow load.

#### Wildfire

- One fire happened by the old landfill (see attached map). This was close to two homes.
- The community often experiences smoke from surrounding fire.
  - This is an issue to residents with respiratory issues and also affects elders and children.
- o The community is equipped to fight house fires but not wildfires.
  - The city has a fire truck.
- o If a wildfire were to occur close to the community, they would have to call in smoke jumpers from another community.

#### **Non-Profiled Hazards**

- Avalanche
  - o Not experienced in the community.
- Drought
  - o Not experienced in the community.
- Erosion
  - o Erosion is happening down river outside of planning area.
  - o Some erosion is happening on the pads for boats but it is believed to be man-made erosion.
- Flood
  - o Not experienced in the community.
- Landslides
  - o Not experienced in the community.

- Subsidence
  - o No experience in the community.
- Tsunami
  - o No experience in the community.
- Volcano
  - o No experience in the community.

#### **Risk Analysis**

- See attached risk analysis worksheet for list of assets and how the hazards relate to them.
- Bristol will locate assets
- Bristol will determine high level estimated value
- Can tribally owned land be considered an asset? This land has been purchased by the Tribe for a site for future HUD homes and a new Tribal Building.
- Can ANL lands be considered an asset? These lands are the site for the community berry picking bushes.

#### **Vulnerability Statements**

- The school, clinic, and community building are at risk due to severe winter weather and severe wind. These hazards cause many power outages in the community.
- Due to extreme heat, the roads become extremely dusty.
- Residents suffer from smoke inhalation from surrounding wildfires.
- Due to severe winter weather roads become icy and slick and dangerous to drive on.
- Extreme potholes develop due to extreme weather.

#### **Mitigation Goals**

- The following mitigation goals were identified
  - o Reduce the possibility of damages due to earthquakes.
  - Reduce the possibility of damages due to extreme temperatures. [Extreme Cold, Extreme Heat]
  - o Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe winds.
  - o Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe winter weather.
  - o Reduce the possibility of damages due to wildfires.
  - o Promote development that is disaster resistant.
  - o Build capacity of the Tribe to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disaster.
  - o Promote recognition and mitigation of all natural hazards that affect the Community.
    - Promote education about hazards, and the emergency plan.
  - o Promote cross-referencing of mitigation goals and actions with other tribal planning mechanisms and projects.

#### **Mitigation Strategies**

- IGAP Newsletter include information about a 72 hour kit.
- Hold a community meeting about 72 hour kits.
- Develop a plan for dust control
  - o Enforce speed limit / Post speed limit signs
  - o Hire a VPSO
- Educate the community on family emergency plans
- Do a presentation at the school, for the children, about earthquake safety.
- Acquire a community satellite phone.
- Identify a community member with VHF equipment and make a plan for use during an emergency when cell service may be down.
- Identify community chimney sweep personnel
  - o There is potential grant money for training. The idea would be to pay for the training then that member could eventually have their own business.
  - The community had a grant for this but was unsuccessful at finding a community member willing to do the training.
- Educate community members about cutting brush around homes. This would be a fire barrier and would better protect their homes from wildfires.

#### **Draft Prioritized Mitigation Strategies**

- NOTE: all identified mitigation strategies are good and could be a priority.
  - o Educate community about the natural hazards and how they can be more prepared.
- Develop a plan for dust control
- Do a presentation at the school, for the children, about earthquake safety
- Acquire a community satellite phone
- Identify a community member with VHF equipment and make a plan for use during an emergency when cell service may be down.
- Educate community members about cutting brush around homes for a fire barrier.
- End Minutes -

#### Attachments:

Sign – In Sheet Hazard Identification Worksheet Risk Analysis Community Maps (Marked Up)

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# **Planning Team Meeting**

Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (2019 - 2024)

Date / Location:

# Sign In Sheet

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# **WORKSHEET #1: HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

Use this worksheet to identify which hazards are most significant to your community planning area. Follow the instructions provided on

pages 9 and 10.

Write "Blue" "Green" "Yellow" or "Red" in Columns A-D based on definitions in Tables 1-4 on Pages 9-10.

Write "Yes" or "No" in Column E depending on the outcome of Column D.

	Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D	Column E
Hazard	Location (Geographic Area Affected) (Table 1)	Maximum Probable Extent (Magnitude / Strength) (Table 2)	Probability of Future Events (Table 3)	Overall Significance (Table 4)	Profile (Yes/No)
*Avalanche	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Drought	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Earthquake	Red	Blue	Yellow	Green	YES
Erosion	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
*Extreme Cold	Red	Blue	Yellow	Yellow	YES
*Extreme Heat	Red	Green	Yellow	Green	YES
Flood	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
*Landslide	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Severe Wind	Red	Green	Red	Yellow	YES
*Severe Winter Weather	Red	Yellow	Red	Yellow	YES
*Subsidence	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Tsunami	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Volcano	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	No
Wildfire	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Red	YES
Other					

<sup>\*</sup> Definitions for selected hazards are located on the back for clarification.

#### **SELECT HAZARD DEFINITIONS**

Extreme Temperatures (i.e. Extreme Cold, Extreme Heat): Extreme temperatures constitute different conditions in different parts of the country. In regions that are accustomed to winter weather, extreme cold temperatures involve temperatures between 20° F to -50° F. These temperatures can occur after a winter storm or during long durations of storm inactivity. Similarly, extreme heat is usually recognized as the condition where temperatures consistently stay ten or more degrees above the average high temperature for extended periods of time. Fatalities can occur from extreme temperatures by causing hyperthermia or frostbite in cold regions and hypothermia in warmer regions.

<u>Landslide / Avalanche:</u> A landslide is the movement of a mass of debris, rock, or earth by force of gravity down a slope. An avalanche is the movement of snow and debris down a slope by force of gravity. Landslides and avalanches occur when the stability of the slope changes from stable to unstable. This can be caused by storms, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, fire, erosion, rapid temperature changes in the case of avalanches, and other human-induced activities. Steep slopes and long slopes have a higher probability to slide. High soil water content and/or slopes with low vegetative coverage are also likely to slide. Landslides and avalanches cause infrastructure and property damage, environmental disturbance, and possible injuries and fatalities.

<u>Severe Winter Weather:</u> Severe winter storms can include snow, freezing rain, sleet, or a mix of the previous forms of precipitation. Heavy snowfall occurs when large quantities of snow is produced in a short period of time. Drifting snow creates an uneven distribution of snow caused by strong winds. This weather can cause power outages, downed trees, and property damage. It can also cause deaths and injuries.

<u>Subsidence</u>: Subsidence is the settling over time or sudden sinking of surface soils due to subsurface movements. Some causes of subsidence are thawing permafrost, declining ground water levels, compactions, mining, and drainage of organic soils. Subsidence can destroy or damage infrastructure or buildings near areas affected by a sudden or gradual collapse of surface area.

**NOTE:** If you have any questions about the hazard definitions, or about Worksheet #1 in general, contact Danielle with Bristol at (907) 743-9394.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORKSHEET #1**

Worksheet #1 is a tool to determine which hazards to include in the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). Use these classifications / definitions to help identify the most significant hazards that affect your community. Give each hazard on Worksheet #1 a color code based on the definitions provided in Tables 1 - 4.

# 1. Location (Geographic Area Affected) – [Column A]

This classification describes where the hazard occurs, how often it occurs, and how much of the community was impacted.

Color Code	Area Affected	Definition
BLUE	Negligible	<ul> <li>Only one small area or none</li> <li>Less than 10% of planning area</li> <li>Isolated single-point occurrences</li> </ul>
GREEN	Limited	<ul> <li>Only some of the community</li> <li>10% to 25% of planning area</li> <li>Limited single-point occurrences</li> </ul>
YELLOW	Significant	<ul> <li>Most of the community</li> <li>25% to 75% of planning area</li> <li>Frequent single-point occurrences</li> </ul>
RED	Extensive	<ul> <li>Almost all or All of the community</li> <li>75% to 100% of planning area</li> <li>Consistent single-point occurrences</li> </ul>

Table 1: Location (Geographic Area Affected)

## 2. Maximum Probable Extent (Magnitude / Strength) – [Column B]

This classification describes how much damage was done, how fast and for how long the hazard impacted the community, and the strength or magnitude of the hazard on a scientific scale, if applicable.

Color Code	Maximum Extent	Definition
BLUE	Weak	<ul> <li>Little to no damage done</li> <li>Slow speed of onset or short duration of event</li> <li>Limited classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>
GREEN	Moderate	<ul> <li>Some damage and loss of services for days</li> <li>Moderate speed of onset or moderate duration of event</li> <li>Moderate classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>
YELLOW	Severe	<ul> <li>Devastating damage and loss of services for weeks or months</li> <li>Fast speed of onset or long duration of event</li> <li>Severe classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>
RED	Extreme	<ul> <li>Catastrophic damage and uninhabitable conditions</li> <li>Immediate onset or extended duration of event</li> <li>Extreme classification on scientific scale (if applicable)</li> </ul>

Table 2: Maximum Probable Extent (Magnitude/Strength)

## 3. Probability of Future Events – [Column C]

This classification describes the possibility of the hazard occurring in the next year, and how often the hazard will occur.

COLOR CODE	Probability of Future Event	Definition
BLUE	Unlikely	<ul> <li>Less than 1% probability of occurrence in the next year</li> <li>Recurrence interval of greater than every 100 years</li> </ul>
GREEN	Occasional	<ul> <li>1% to 10% probability of occurrence in the next year</li> <li>Recurrence interval of 11 to 100 years</li> </ul>
YELLOW	Likely	<ul> <li>10% to 90% probability of occurrence in the next year</li> <li>Recurrence interval of 1 to 10 years</li> </ul>
RED	Highly Likely	<ul> <li>90% to 100% probability of occurrence in the next year</li> <li>Recurrence interval of less than 1 year</li> </ul>

Table 3: Probability of Future Events

## 4. Overall Significance – [Column D]

This classification provides a way to determine how much impact the hazard has on the community. This classification is based on the classifications from Tables 1 - 3 (Columns A - C).

COLOR CODE	Impact	Definition
GREEN	Low	<ul> <li>Event has minimal impact on planning area</li> <li>Two or more criteria fall in lower classifications (2 or more BLUE)</li> <li>Profile – Likely doesn't need to be profiled but can</li> </ul>
YELLOW	Medium	<ul> <li>Event's impacts on the planning area are noticeable but not devastating</li> <li>Criteria fall mostly in the middle ranges of classifications (2 or more GREEN or YELLOW)</li> <li>Profile – Choice of the Planning Team</li> </ul>
RED	High	<ul> <li>Event is likely/highly likely to occur with severe strength over a significant or extensive portion of the planning area</li> <li>Criteria consistently fall in the high classifications (2 or more RED)</li> <li>Profile – Definitely profile</li> </ul>

Table 4: Overall Significance

#### 5. Profile (Yes OR No) – [Column E]

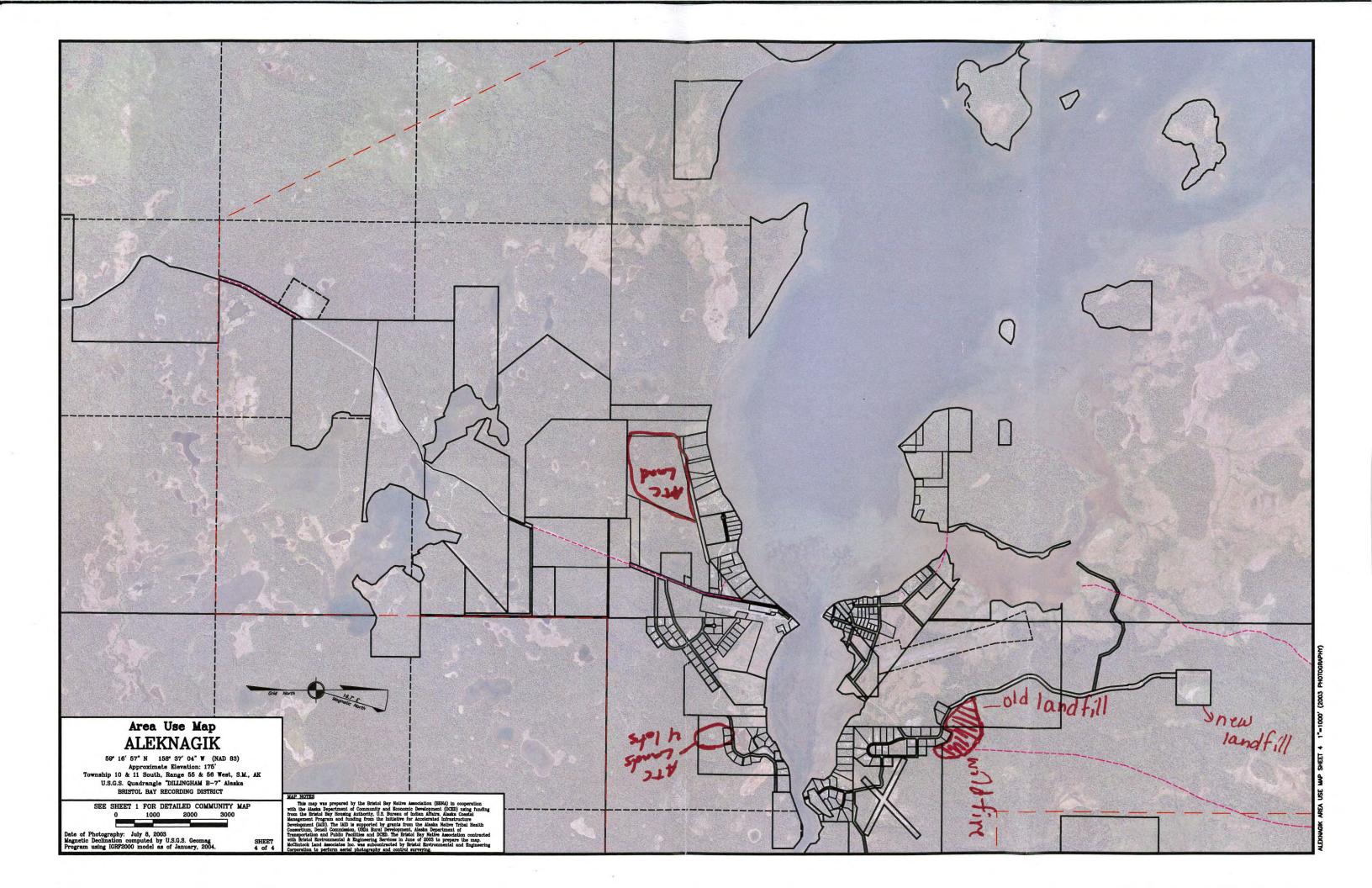
For the purposes of the THMP, "profile" means to include the hazard in the plan and analyze in more detail. Not all hazards need to be profiled for your community. Only hazards with a moderate to high overall significance should be included in the plan, but the Planning Team can choose to profile any hazard as they see fit. Use Table 4 (Column D) to determine if the hazard should be profiled.

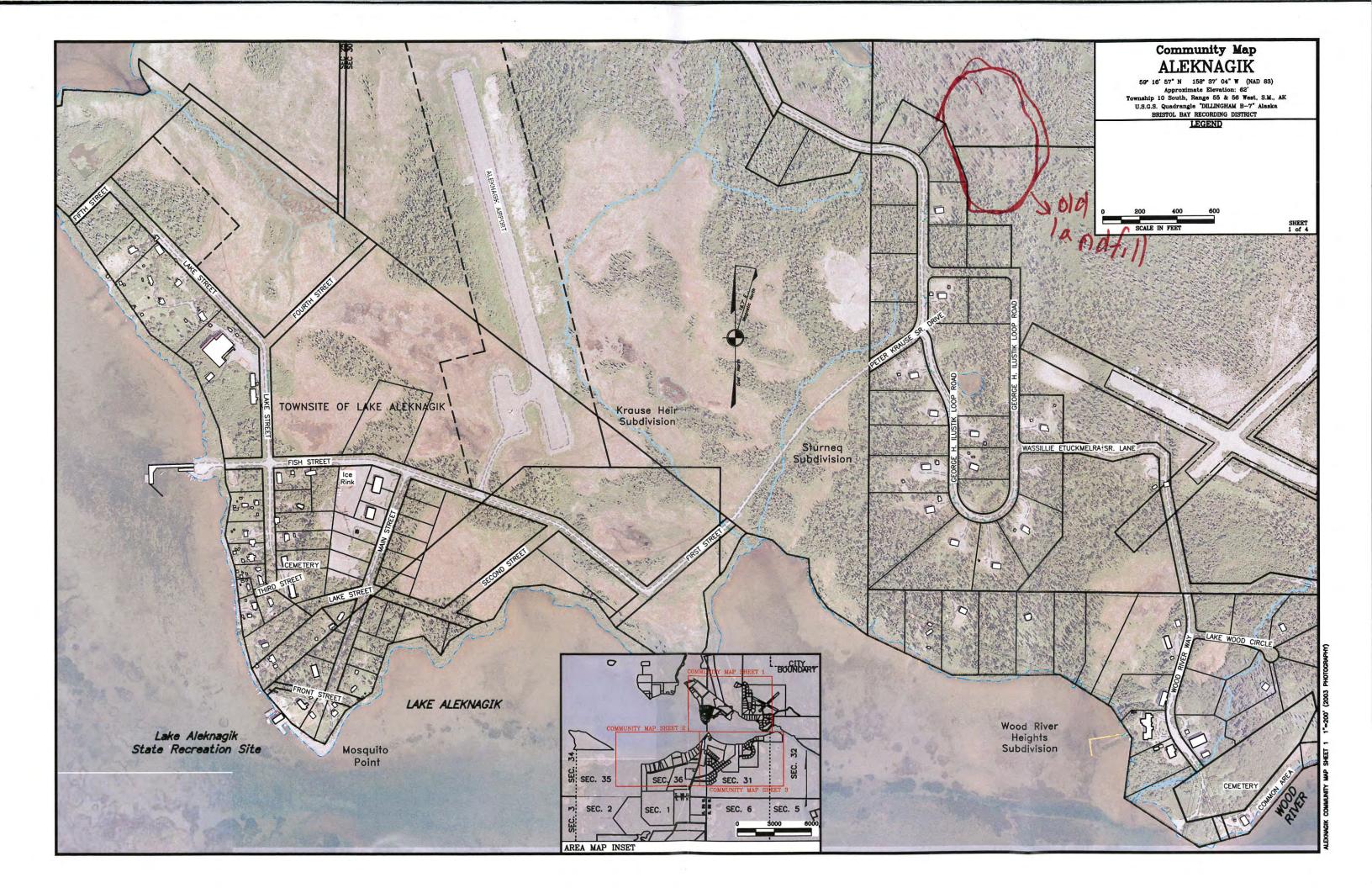
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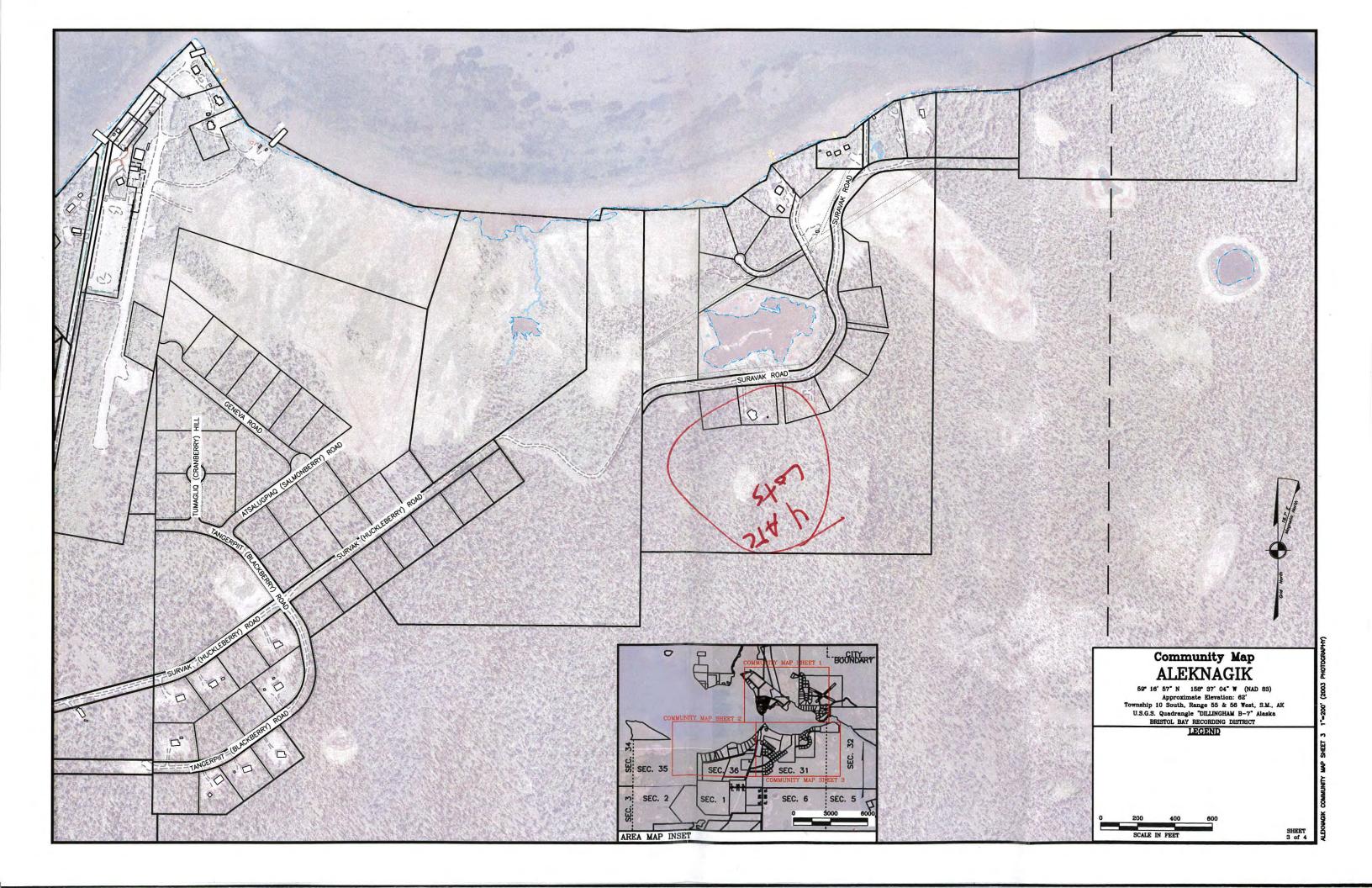
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Column A Facility Name	Column B Number of Occupants	Column C Location	Column D Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire							
Tribally owned land? / Future HUD homes and Tribal building	N/A			Х	х	х	х	х	х							
Roads	N/A			х	х	х	х	х								
Clinic	6			х	х	х	х	х	х							
School	35			х	х	х	х	х	х							
Tribal building / Community building	8			х	х	х	х	х	х							
IGAP office	2			х	х	х	х	х	х							
GCI Facility	N/A			х			х	х	х							
Russian Orthodox Church	2			х	х	х	х	х	х							
Moravian Church	6			х	х	х	х	х	х							
Cemetery	N/A						х		х							
Teacher Housing	10			х	х	х	х	х	х							
Dock	1			х					х							
Wood River Bridge	N/A			х												
ANL lands? Berry Picking Bushes	N/A			х		х			х							
Municipal Building	10			х	х	х	х	х	х							
Municipal Maintenance Building	2			х	х	х	х	х	х							

# Risk Analysis Worksheet (Profiled Hazards Only)

				Column E: Hazard Impacts (Fill in Hazards in Blank Columns Below)									
Column A Facility Name	Column B Number of Occupants	Column C Location	Column D Estimated Value	Earthquake	Extreme Cold	Extreme Heat	Severe Wind	Severe Winter Weather	Wildfire				
Ambulance / Fire Truck Building	3			х	х	х	х	х	х				
Transit Bus	1				х	х			х				
Tribal Equipment (van, dump truck, 2 skidsters, flat bed truck, excavator, 2 ATVs, 2 snow machines, bull dozer, ATV cart, snowmachine sled)	N/A				х	х			х				
Landfill	1						х	х	х				
Sewage Lagoon	1			х					х				
Community Shop	1			х	х	х	х	х	х				
Bulk Tank	N/A			х	х			х	х				
Gas Station				х	х			х	х				







# **MITIGATION ACTION TYPES AND EXAMPLES**

Mitigation Type	Description	Examples
Local Plans and Regulations	These actions include government authorities, policies, or codes that influence the way land and buildings are developed and built	<ul> <li>Comprehensive plans</li> <li>Land use ordinances</li> <li>Subdivision regulations</li> <li>Development review</li> <li>Building codes and enforcement</li> <li>NFIP Community Rating System</li> <li>Capital improvement programs</li> <li>Open space preservation</li> <li>Stormwater management regulations and master plans</li> </ul>
Structure and Infrastructure Projects	These actions involve modifying existing structures and infrastructure to protect them from a hazard or remove them from a hazard area. This could apply to public or private structures as well as critical facilities and infrastructure.  This type of action also involves projects to construct manmade structures to reduce the impact of hazards.  Many of these types of action are projects eligible for funding through the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance program.	<ul> <li>Acquisitions and elevations of structures in flood prone areas</li> <li>Utility undergrounding</li> <li>Structural retrofits</li> <li>Floodwalls and retaining walls</li> <li>Detention and retention structures</li> <li>Culverts</li> <li>Safe rooms</li> </ul>
Natural Systems Protections	These are actions that minimize damage and losses and also reserve or restore the functions of natural systems.	<ul> <li>Sediment and erosion control</li> <li>Stream corridor restoration</li> <li>Forest management</li> <li>Conservation easements</li> <li>Wetland restoration and preservation</li> </ul>
Education and Awareness Programs	These are actions to inform and educate citizens, elected officials, and property owners about hazards and potential ways to mitigate them. These actions may also include participation in national programs, such as StormReady or Firewise Communities. Although this type of mitigation reduces risk less directly than structural projects or regulation, it is an important foundation. A greater understanding and awareness of hazards and risk among local officials, stakeholders, and the public is more likely to lead to direct actions.	<ul> <li>Radio or television spots</li> <li>Websites with maps and information</li> <li>Real estate disclosure</li> <li>Presentations to school groups or neighborhood organizations</li> <li>Mailings to residents in hazard-prone areas</li> <li>StormReady</li> <li>Firewise Communities</li> </ul>
Emergency Response Actions	These are actions to identify emergency response or operational preparedness.	<ul> <li>Create mutual aid agreements with neighboring communities to meet emergency response needs</li> <li>Purchase radio communications equipment</li> <li>Develop procedures for notifying citizens of available shelter locations during an event</li> </ul>

### **Potential Mitigation Actions**

	GOALS	ACTIONS			
Column A1	Column A2	Column B2 B1			
No.	Goal	ID	Description		
		<u>1.A</u>	Acquire a community satellite phone.		
		<u>1.B</u>	Identify a community member with VHF equipment and make a plan to use in an emergency.		
1	Build the capacity of the Tribe to prepare, respond to, and recover from disasters.	1.C	Make an agreement with Dillingham to help in the event of an emergency. This can include the use of fire trucks, and EMT's.		
	respond to, and recover from disasters.	1.D	Obtain and build up a long - term supply of food, water, and other supplies		
		1.E	Maintain emergency contact numbers and post in prominent areas around the Community.		
	Promote education about hazards and the emergency plan.  Reduce the possibility of damages due to earthquakes.  Reduce the possibility of damages due to	<u>2.A</u>	Educate residents about a family emergency plan		
2		<u>2.B</u>	Include information about a 72 hour kit in the IGAP newsletter		
_		2.C	Hold a community meeting about assembling personal 72 hour kits.		
		2.D	Include information about the hazards in the IGAP newsletter.		
		<u>3.A</u>	Hold presentations about earthquake safety at the school.		
3		3.B	Encourage residents to secure items to walls such as bookshelves and TV's.		
		4.A	Educate community members to inspect heat tapes and keep in working order.		
4		4.B	Provide educational reminders to residents about appropriate winter gear.		
4	extreme temperatures.	4.C	Educate residents about possible methods to reduce heat in their homes (fans, black out curtains, etc).		
		4.D	Provide education to the community about the symptoms and treatment of heat stroke and frostbite.		
		<u>5.A</u>	Apply dust control on roads in the community.		
5	Reduce the possibility of damages due to	5.B	Supply residents with masks.		
,	severe wind.	5.C	Maintain trees or remove dead trees around power lines to reduce power outages.		

### **Potential Mitigation Actions**

	GOALS	ACTIONS			
Column A1	Column A2	Column B1	Column B2		
No.	Goal	ID Description			
		6.A	Identify / Obtain a grant for training for chimney cleaning.		
	Reduce the possibility of damages due to severe winter weather.	6.B	Identify a community member to be trained in proper chimney cleaning methods.		
6		6.C	Develop and distribute to community members a winter weatherization checklist. This checklist will include items that should be stored or inspected prior to winter.		
		6.D	Obtain a supply of ice cleats for residents at the clinic.		
	Reduce the possibility of damages due to wildfires.	<u>7.A</u>	Educate community about cutting brush around homes for fire barrier.		
		<u>7.B</u>	Hold presentation about fire safety at the school.		
7		7.C	Obtain a grass cutter to cut dead grass and reduce the impact of fires.		
	wiidilies.	7.D	Maintain a fire perimeter around the community.		
		7.E	Keep brush cut along roads.		
		7.F	Provide training for fire personnel.		

### INSTRUCTIONS - MITIGATION ACTION EVALUATION WORKSHEET

Use this worksheet to help evaluate and prioritize each mitigation action that is going to be implemented in the Mitigation Action Plan. For each action, evaluate the potential benefits and / or likelihood of successful implementation for the criteria defined below.

Rank each of the criteria with a -1, 0 or 1 using the following scale:

- 1 = Highly effective or feasible
- 0 = Neutral
- -1 = Ineffective or not feasible

### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

*Life safety* – How effective will the action be at protecting lives and preventing injuries?

**Property Protection** – How significant will the action be at eliminating or reducing damage to structures and infrastructure?

**Technical** – Is the mitigation action technically feasible? Is it a long-term solution? Eliminate actions that, from a technical standpoint, will not meet the goals.

**Political** – Is there overall public support for the mitigation action? Is there the political will to support it?

**Legal** – Does the community have the authority to implement the action?

**Environmental** – What are the potential environmental impacts of the action? Will it comply with environmental regulations?

**Social** – Will the proposed action adversely affect one segment of the population? Will the action disrupt established neighborhoods, break up voting districts, or cause the relocation of lower income people?

**Administrative** – Does the community have the personnel and administrative capabilities to implement the action and maintain it or will outside help be necessary?

**Local Champion** – Is there a strong advocate for the action or project among local departments and agencies that will support the action's implementation?

**Other Community Objectives** – Does the action advance other community objectives, such as capital improvements, economic development, environmental quality, or open space preservation? Does it support the policies of the comprehensive plan?

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### **Mitigation Action Evaluation Worksheet**

Mitigation Action ID	Life Safety	Property Protection	Technical	Political	Legal	Environmental	Social	Administrative	Local Champion	Other Community Objectives	Total Score
1.A	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	8
1.B	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	8
2.A	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	7
2.B	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	7
3.A	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	8
5.A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	9
7.A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	9
7.B	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	8

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Local Mitigation Planning Handbook, FEMA, March 2013, Worksheet 6.1

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### **APPENDIX B**

### Public Involvement

- Public Meeting Comments (October 10, 2018)
- Public Meeting Sign-In Sheet
- Public Meeting Flyer
- Public Meeting Handout
- Public Meeting Presentation
- Community Survey
- Community Survey Response Summary
- Newsletter #1 and Fax Transmittal
- Stakeholder Emails
  - o Community Stakeholders
  - o Lodge Owner of Aleknagik Island Lodge
  - o Program Managers
- Newsletter #2
- Email and Letter to State Representative
- Email and Letter to Senator
- Stakeholder Comments



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### **MEETING MINUTES**

Project: **BBNA THMP Project**Bristol Project No: 32190013

<u>Reference:</u> Aleknagik THMP <u>Community Meeting</u>
<u>Date of Meeting</u>, October 10, 2018 6:00 PM to 700 PM
<u>Location of Meeting:</u> Aleknagik Village Council Building

Participants:

**Bristol:** Danielle Dance **BBNA:** Annie Fritze

Aleknagik Community Members: See Attached Sign-In Sheet

### **Summary**

Annie Fritze and Danielle Dance hosted a Public Meeting in Aleknagik to educate and inform the community about the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). During this meeting the community was informed about the purpose of the plan, and what the plan includes. The community was informed about the profiled hazards, some of the identified community assets, a few vulnerability statements identified by the Planning Team, the mitigation goals identified by the Planning Team and the a few of the top, draft, mitigation strategies identified. The community members were given an opportunity to provide information about their experiences with the profiled hazards and an opportunity to identify some mitigation strategies. Additionally, the community members were asked how best to be involved in the remaining plan development phase of this project and the future implementation of the mitigation actions.

#### **Action Items**

• Bristol – Determine if tribally owned lands and ANL lands can be considered an asset (See Risk Analysis section for more details)

### **General Notes**

### **Profiled Hazards**

- 1964 earthquake ice cracked on the lake and the houses shook really hard.
- 1985 There was a big cold snap. The temperature reached -50° F. The pipes froze. There was trouble with transportation and the airplanes did not fly.
- There is a prediction to have another "Big" earthquake. The community members expressed a desire to have a plan and be prepared for the next "big" earthquake.
- 1982/1983 Frost was 1 inch thick. However, lately the winters have been more mild.
  - O Community members were concerned about the fuel lines and how a cold spell would impact the fuel lines.
- 2018 This past summer was especially hot. The tundra dried up and there were not as many berries as in years past.
  - o The hotter summers present a concern for and increase the potential for wildfires.
- Residents noted that trees sway back and forth a great deal during severe wind events. In 2017 a tree fell on a powerline causing a power outage in the community. There are many trees surrounding homes and powerlines. This can create a hazard to homes when winds

- are strong, and the temperatures increase causing the vegetation to become drier. This increases the hazard of fires around homes.
- In the past residents used to cross the lake in blizzards and get lost trying to cross the lake. There have been times that the conditions on the shore were not as bad but then became much worse crossing the lake (a sort of instant blizzard).
- Residents recall many times where the roads are extremely slick due to winter weather events and then the snow gets packed down and then the weather warms up causing the roads to become slick and dangerous for drivers and pedestrians.
  - o Icy roads can cause injuries to residents such as broken bones.
- 2008 There was a fire by the landfill. Aleknagik requested help from Dillingham. This fire was smoldering for days and the community was filled with smoke.
- 2013 The entire community was impacted by smoke from surrounding wildfires.

### Assets

- Lands ANL lands
- Fishing Boats

### **Mitigation Actions**

- Need grass cutter to cut dead grass to help reduce the impact of fires.
- Make agreements with Dillingham to help (fire trucks, EMT's) in the event of an emergency.
- Are we prepared for a big disaster?
  - o Need to have a long-term supply of food, water, and other supplies
    - Water bottles, filters

### **Continued Public Involvement**

• Keep the community informed with the Community newsletter

### **Additional Concerns**

- o Oil Spills
  - These are impacts from a natural hazard.
  - Mitigation strategies for oil spills was requested. What do they do? How best do they handle this situation should it occur? How can the area be cleaned?
- End Minutes -

### Attachments:

Sign – In Sheet Flyer Community Handout Presentation

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### **Community Meeting**

Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (2019 - 2024)

Date / Location: October 10, 2018 at 6 PM / Tribal Office, North Shore

### **Sign In Sheet**

Name	Name	Name
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Bob Christensen		
Ward Jones		
Candare Chythlook		
Ann Onker		
Roads Tinker		
DAVID SCHWANTES		
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## Aleknagik FEMA Tribal Hazard Mitigation PLAN

### **COMMUNITY MEETING**

Come learn about the Village of Aleknagik's FEMA Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Plan identifies the natural hazards that impact your community. It also discusses ways to mitigate future impacts from these natural hazards.

Attendees will have an opportunity to provide their experiences on how these hazards have impacted the community, and share ideas on ways to reduce future impacts from these hazards. The project planners will be available for any questions or feedback from the public.

Wednesday
October 10, 2018
6 PM

Tribal Office, North Shore

Refreshments

**Door Prizes** 

Provide input about natural hazards in Aleknagik!

For more information:

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### Community Meeting for Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan October 10, 2018

### Dear Participant;

Thank you for attending the public meeting for the Aleknagik FEMA Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). Your comments and participation are very important to the planning process. We appreciate any feedback you may have on this meeting or the project in general.

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Development (DOTID) has contracted Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (Bristol) to assist with the preparation of the FEMA THMP. The THMP is a planning document used to identify hazards that your community is exposed to and ways to reduce potential losses of important assets from these hazards. A FEMA approved and community adopted THMP enables the Local government to apply for grants through disaster related assistance programs like the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM), and others.

The purpose of this public meeting is to inform the community about the THMP, collect community feedback about the identified hazards and mitigation actions / projects. We are looking for personal experiences with the identified hazards, and assistance with identifying problem areas and issues of concern. We would also like input on the identified mitigation strategies and ways that the Planning Team can keep the public informed and involved in the process. This information will be used in the THMP. A draft copy will be available for review when completed.

Public comment is key to a successful project. Please feel free to contact me directly with any comments or concerns. My email is ddance@bristol-companies.com.

Sincerely,

Danielle Dance Civil Engineer I

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Attachments:

- Newsletter
- List of Preparedness Resources
- 12 Ways to Prepare Postcard





### **Bristol Bay Native Association Transportation and Infrastructure Development**

August 2018 Newsletter 1

This newsletter describes the Bristol Bay Native Association Transportation and Infrastructure Department's Tribal Hazard Mitigation Planning project development processes to all interested agencies, stakeholders, and the public and to solicit comments. It can also be viewed on the BBNA's website at <a href="https://www.bbna.com">www.bbna.com</a>

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) Transportation and Infrastructure Department (DOTID) was awarded a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to prepare your 2019 Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (BESC) was contracted to assist the BBNA DOTID with preparing a 2019 FEMA approvable THMP plan.

The TMP will identify all natural hazards, such as earthquake, flood, erosion, severe weather, and wildland/tundra fire hazards, etc. The plan will also identify the people and facilities potentially at risk and ways to mitigate damage from future hazard impacts. We will document the public participation and planning process as part of this project.

#### What is Hazard Mitigation?

Hazard mitigation projects eliminate the risk or reduce the hazard impact severity to people and property. Projects may include short- or long-term activities to reduce exposure to or the effects of known hazards. Hazard mitigation activities could include relocating or elevating buildings, replacing insufficiently sized culverts, using alternative construction techniques, developing, implementing, or enforcing building codes,or developing, and implementing education programs.

#### Why Do We Need A Hazard Mitigation Plan?

Communities must have a State, FEMA approved, and community adopted mitigation plan to receive a project grant from FEMA's pre- and post- disaster grants identified in their Hazard Mitigation Assistance and other agency's mitigation grant programs. BBNA DOTID plans to apply for mitigation funds after our plan is complete.

A FEMA approved and community adopted THMP enables the Local government to apply for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), a disaster related assistance program; the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM), and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant programs.

### **The Planning Process**

There are very specific federal requirements that must be met when preparing a FEMA approvable THMP. These requirements are commonly referred to as the planning process requirements of 44 CFR 201.7 (c)

The following steps describe the planning process in order to develop the THMP.

- 1. Establish the Planning Team
- 2. Education of the Planning Team
- 3. Assess Risks
- 4. Assess Capabilities
- 5. **Develop a Mitigation Strategy**
- 6. Monitor, Evaluate, and Plan Updates

We are currently in the very beginning stages of preparing the plan development. We will be conducting a Planning Team Meeting to introduce the project and planning team, to gather comments from community residents, identify hazards, and collect data to refine the vulnerability assessment.

#### We Need Your Help

BESC has prepared survey packets to begin collecting information for your THMP. Survey packets will be mailed to your village council and sent by email to your village administrator.

Establishing a Planning Team is a very important step. We will need a point of contact (POC)/team leader from your community. This group will consist of 2-5 people that have good knowledge about land use, the transportation system, public facilities, and safety resources within the community. BBNA DOTID will be in contact with your tribe to determine a POC and your planning team.

Once the Planning Team has been developed, they will begin to work on the following items:

- Identifying the hazards that impact your community;
- Determining information about the hazards such as, location, history, extent, and the probability of future events;
- Completing a risk analysis, and;
- Developing problem statements and goals.

BBNA DOTID will be in contact with your tribe to set up an initial teleconference meeting with the Planning Team, BBNA DOTID, and BESC to continue to work on the THMP development.

The BBNA DOTID team will be led by Annie Fritze, DOTID Program Manager or Dan Breeden, Department Director with assistance from Bristol Engineering Service Company, LLC (contracted by BBNA). BESC will be developing materials and lead the planning process with guidance from BBNA DOTID staff.

### **BBNA Tribal Hazard Planning Team**

Team Member	Title	
Annie Fritze	Program Manager	THMP Team Leader, data gathering and plan review
Dan Breeden	Department Director	THMP Team Leader, data gathering and plan review
Isaac Pearson, P.E.	Senior Engineer	THMP Consultant
Danielle Dance	Civil Engineer	THMP Consultant

### **Public Participation**

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed, and to allow you every opportunity to voice your opinion regarding these important projects. We want to encourage public involvement as a continuous effort throughout the project.

We encourage you to take an active part in the development effort, and preparation of the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The goal is to receive comments, identify key issues or concerns, and improve mitigation ideas, and to guide the community.

Please contact BBNA DOTID program staff or BESC if you have any questions, comments, or requests for more information:

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### **Useful web links**

### **Volcano Information**

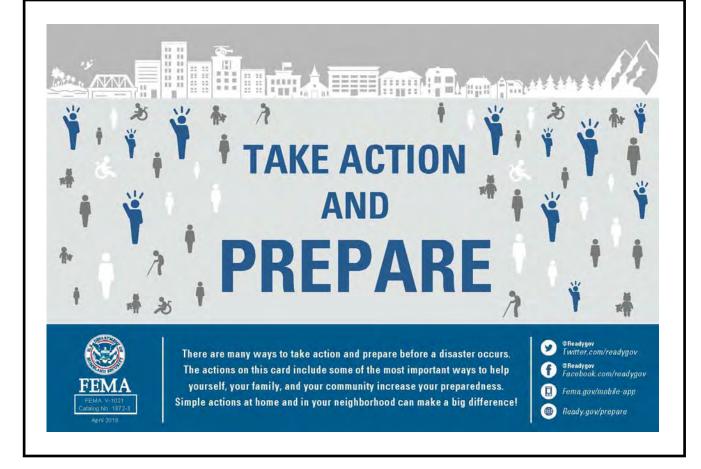
- Visit the AVO website: www.avo.alaska.edu
- Sign up for the VNS: https://volcanoes.usgs.gov/vns2/
- Ash Impacts website: <a href="https://volcanoes.usgs.gov/volcanic">https://volcanoes.usgs.gov/volcanic</a> ash
- Ashfall advisories come from the NWS: www.weather.gov/afc/
- AVO would \*love\* your volcano observations and ash samples
  - Find us at <u>www.avo.alaska.edu/contact.php/</u>
  - o Is Ash Falling: www.avo.alaska.edu/ashfall/ashreport.php
  - Collection instructions: <a href="https://avo.alaska.edu/ashfall.php">https://avo.alaska.edu/ashfall.php</a>
  - Facebook: <a href="http://facebook.com/alaska.avo">http://facebook.com/alaska.avo</a>
  - o Twitter: http://twitter.com/alaska\_avo
- Air Quality Advisories, DEC: <a href="http://dec.alaska.gov/air">http://dec.alaska.gov/air</a>
- Airborne ash hazards to aircraft, NOAA: http://aawu.arh.noaa.gov
- Local Notice to Mariners, USCG: www.navcen.uscg.gov

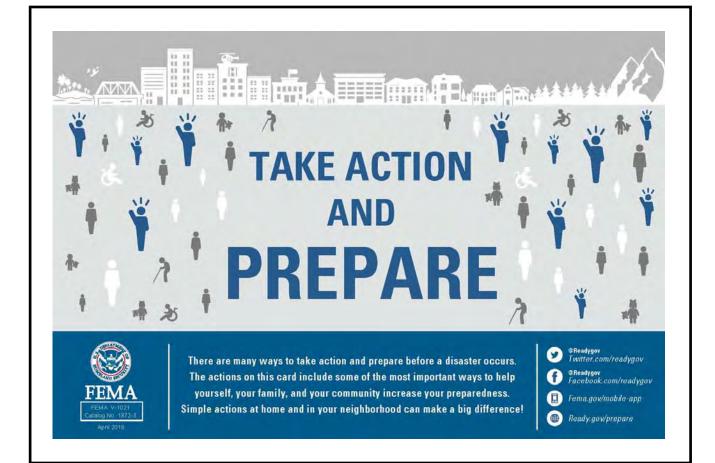
### Weather Information

- Watches and Warnings: https://alerts.weather.gov/cap/ak.php?x=1
- Any forecast: http://www.weather.gov/afc
- Mobile information (low bandwidth): http://www.weather.gov/source/afc/mobile/
- River Information: http://www.weather.gov/aprfc
- Rainfall: http://www.weather.gov/aprfc
- Breakup Info: http://www.weather.gov/aprfc/breakupESRIMap
- River Conditions: http://www.weather.gov/aprfc/riverConditions
- Alaska Weather T.V. Maps: http://www.weather.gov/afc/tv
- Sea Ice forecasts: http://www.weather.gov/afc/ice
- Outlook (temperatures and precipitation): http://www.cpc.noaa.gov
- Send us a storm report: http://www.srh.noaa.gov/StormReport\_new/SubmitReport.php?site=AFC

### WEBSITES

- Alaska DHS&EM: http://ready.alaska.gov
- Ready, Department of Homeland Security: https://www.ready.gov/
- Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), State of Alaska Floodplain Management: http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/dca/nfip/nfip.htm
- Flood information for Alaskans: http://www.flood.alaska.gov
- Association of State Floodplain Managers: http://www.floods.org/
- Alaska-Pacific River Forecast Center (APRFC): http://aprfc.arh.noaa.gov
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Alaska Snow, Water and Climate Services: http://ambcs.org
- National Weather Service (NWS), Alaska Region Headquarters: http://www.arh.noaa.gov/
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Alaskan Region's Weather Cameras: http://avcams.faa.gov/
- U.S. Department of the Interior—Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Alaska Fire Service: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/
- Alaska Energy Authority (AEA): http://www.akenergyauthority.org/
- Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), Community Profiles: http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/dca
- Alaska Department of Public Safety, Rural Fire Training Office: http://www.dps.state.ak.us/fire/TEB/ruralfireprotection.aspx
- Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC): http://www.state.ak.us/dec/
- National Weather Service, Forecast Office Alaska Ice Desk: http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/ice.php
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): http://www.fema.gov/
- American Red Cross of Alaska: http://www.alaska.redcross.org
- Small Business Administration: http://www.sba.gov/localresources/disasteroffices/focwest/index.html







# **√** 12 WAYS TO PREPARE



Sign up for Alerts and Warnings



Make a Plan



Save for a **Rainy Day** 



**Practice Emergency** Drills



**Test Family** Communication Plan



Safeguard **Documents** 



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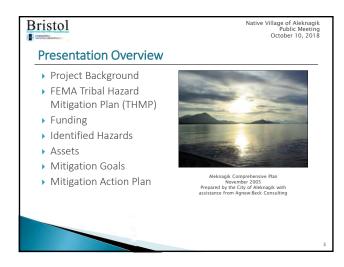
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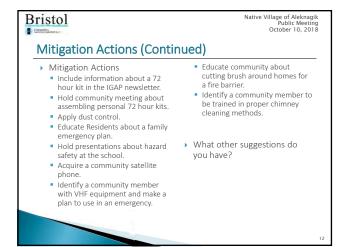






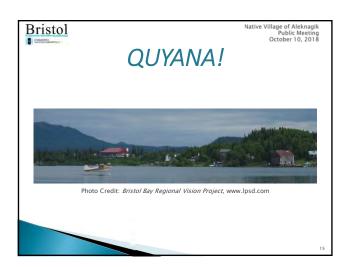












### **COMMUNITY SURVEY**

This is a public opinion survey regarding natural hazards in your community. The results from this survey will help the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan Planning Team improve public/private coordination, mitigation, and risk reduction efforts in your community. Additionally we would like information regarding the methods and techniques you prefer for reducing the risks and losses associated with these hazards.

### NATURAL HAZARD INFORMATION

We would like to know about your experience involving natural hazards and your exposure to preparedness information.

1. In the last five (5) years, have you or someone in your household directly experienced any of the nat disasters listed below?  (Please check all that apply)  Coastal Ice Drought Severe Winter Weather Earthquake Tsunami Erosion Volcano Eruption Extreme Temperatures Wildfire Flood Other (specify):	шп	ormation.			
<ul> <li>□ Drought</li> <li>□ Earthquake</li> <li>□ Erosion</li> <li>□ Extreme Temperatures</li> <li>□ Severe Winter Weather</li> <li>□ Tsunami</li> <li>□ Volcano Eruption</li> <li>□ Wildfire</li> </ul>	1.	disasters	listed below?	or someone in you	r household directly experienced any of the natural
			Drought Earthquake Erosion Extreme Temperatures		Severe Winter Weather Tsunami Volcano Eruption Wildfire

2. How concerned are you about the following natural disasters affecting your community? (Check the corresponding box for each hazard)

Natural Disaster	Very Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Neutral	Not Very Concerned	Not Concerned
Coastal Ice					
Drought					
Earthquake					
Erosion					
Extreme Temperatures					
Flood					
Landslide/Avalanche					
Severe Winter Weather					
Tsunami					
Volcano Eruption					
Wildfire					
Other					

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3.	Have you received information about how to disasters?    Yes  No (IF NO Skip to Question 5)		pers of your household and home safer from na	atural		
	If "YES", how recently?  ☐ Within the last 6 months ☐ Between 6 and 12 months ☐ Between 1 and 2 years ☐ Between 2 and 5 years ☐ 5 years or more					
4. Who provided the last received information about how to make members of your household and home s from natural disasters? (Please check only ONE)						
	<ul> <li>News Media</li> <li>Government Agency</li> <li>Utility Company</li> <li>University or Research Institution</li> </ul>	1	Tribe Neighbor / Friend / Family Member Non-Profit Organization Not Sure Other (specify):			
5.	What is the most effective way for you to resafer from natural disasters? (Please check UP TO THREE)	eceive informa	ation about how to make your household and h	ıome		
	<ul> <li>Newspapers</li> <li>Radio</li> <li>Schools</li> <li>Internet (News Outlets/Email Newsletters)</li> </ul>	□ N □ F □ F	Books Mail Fact Sheet / Brochure / Newsletters Public Workshops / Meetings Other (specify):			

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#### COMMUNITY VULNERABILITIES AND HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGIES

We need to understand which community assets may be vulnerable to natural hazards in order to assess community risk. Vulnerable assets are those community features, characteristics, or resources that may be impacted by natural hazards (e.g. populations with functional needs, environmental resources, economic components, and others). The next set of questions will focus on the vulnerable assets in your community and your preferred strategies to mitigate risk to those assets.

**6.** Community assets are characteristics, features, or resources that either allow the community to function or make a community unique. In your opinion, which of the following categories are most vulnerable to the impacts caused by natural hazards in your community?

(Rank the community assets in order [from 1 to 6] of vulnerability, 1 being most vulnerable and 6 being least vulnerable)

Community Assets	Potential Natural Hazard Impact	Order of Vulnerability
Human	Loss of life and/or injuries	
Economic	Business closures and/or job losses	
Infrastructure	Damage or loss of bridges, utilities, schools, etc.	
Cultural / Historic	Damage or loss of fish dry racks, cemeteries, etc.	
Environmental	Damage or loss of forests, rangeland, waterways, subsistence areas, etc.	
Governance	Ability to maintain order and/or provide public amenities and services	

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7. We would like to know what specific types of community assets are most important to you. (Check the corresponding box for each hazard)

Community Assets	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Not Very Important	Not Important
School					
Clinic					
Churches					
City Buildings					
Tribal Buildings					
Store					
Post Office					
Transportation Systems					
Major Employers					
Fuel Storage					
Utilities					
Homes					
Subsistence Areas					
Other					
Other:					
Other:					
Other:					

**8.** A number of activities can reduce your community's risk from natural hazards. These activities can be both regulatory and non-regulatory.

(Check the corresponding box that best represents your opinion on how to best reduce the risk and loss associated with natural disasters.)

Strategies	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Sure
I support a planning and regulatory approach to reducing risk						
I support a non-regulatory approach to reducing risk						
I support a mix of both regulatory and non- regulatory approaches to reducing risk						
I support structure and infrastructure projects to reduce risk						
I support natural systems protection projects to reduce risk						
I support education and awareness programs to reduce risk						
I support protecting historical and cultural structures						
I would be willing to make my home more disaster- resistant						
I support steps to safeguard the local economy following a natural disaster						
I support improving the disaster preparedness of local schools						

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**9.** Natural hazards can have a significant impact on a community. However, planning for these events can help reduce the impacts. The following statements will help determine community priorities regarding planning for natural hazards in your community.

(Check the corresponding box to show us how important each one is to you.)

Statements	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Not Very Important	Not Important
Protecting private property					
Protecting critical facilities (e.g. roads, bridges, clinic, schools, store, etc.)					
Enhancing function of natural features (e.g. streams, wetlands)					
Protecting historical and cultural resources and landmarks					
Protecting and reducing damage to utilities					
Strengthening emergency services					

### MITIGATION AND PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Households can prepare and mitigate for natural hazards in order to prevent property damage, injuries, and loss of life. Any precautions taken or training received can make a big difference in your ability to recover from an emergency or natural disaster. Emergency care or access to basic services (e.g. electricity, gas, water, communications) may be temporarily cutoff. Or you may be asked to quickly evacuate. The following questions focus on your household's preparedness for natural hazards or emergencies.

**10.** Please check the activities that you <u>have done</u> in your household, <u>plan to do</u> in the near future, <u>have not</u> done, or are unable to do.

(Check one answer for each preparedness activity.)

Have you or someone in your household:	Have Done	Plan To Do	Not Done	Unable To Do
Attended a meeting or received written information on natural disasters or emergency preparedness?				
Talked with members in your household about what to do in case of an emergency or natural disaster?				
Developed a "Household/Family Emergency Plan" in order to decide what everyone would do in the event of an emergency or disaster?				
Prepared a "Disaster Supply Kit" (stored extra food, water, batteries, or other emergency supplies)?				

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GENERAL HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION							
We appreciate any information you are willing to share with us about you and/or your household.							
11. Please indicate your age:							
12. Gender (Circle one): Male Female							
13. How long have you lived in the community?  □ Less than one (1) year □ 1 – 5 years □ 5 – 9 years □ 5 – 9 years							
GENERAL COMMENTS							
Please provide any additional comments about natural hazards in your community including historical disasters, existing efforts to prepare for or protect against a disaster, or comments about the Hazard Mitigation Plan Project in general.							
Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.  If you have any questions or comments, please contact <b>Danielle Dance</b> at <b>(907) 743-9394</b> or <b>dance@bristol-companies.com</b>							

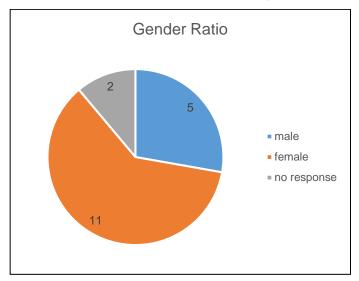
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### **SUMMARY - COMMUNITY SURVEY**

A survey was distributed to the community members of Aleknagik, Alaska. This was done in an effort to collect public opinion regarding natural hazards that impact the community and preferred methods of reducing risk and losses associated with these hazards. Below is a summary of the data collected from the survey.

### **GENERAL RESPONDENT INFORMATION**

Eighteen questionnaires were completed and returned. Question 12 asked about the gender of the respondents. Five respondents were male, 11 female, and two declined to answer (See Figure 1). Question 13 asked about the length of time in the community. Fifty-six percent (9 replies) of the questionnaires came from longtime residents that have lived in the community for 20 or more years (See Figure 2).



Length of time in the Community

1, 6%

1 - 5 years

5 - 9 years

10 - 19 years

20 years or more

Figure 1: Gender Ratio (Question #12)

Figure 2: Length of Time in the Community (Question #13)

The residents that responded, ranged in age (Question 11) from 16 to 85. Thirty-one percent of the respondents were over the age of 60 (See Figure 3).

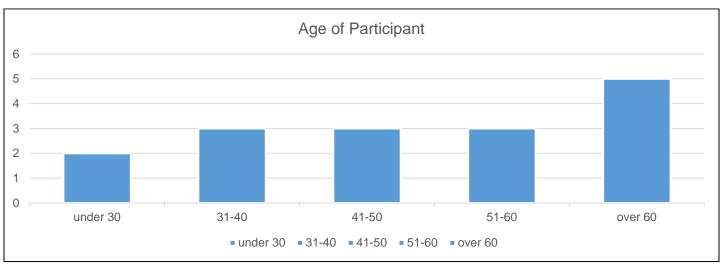


Figure 3: Age of Participant (Question #11)

### **NATURAL HAZARD INFORMATION**

Information regarding experiences and concerns about natural hazards in the community was gathered (Question 1) from the survey. The survey respondents identified hazards that they have personally experienced (See Figure 4).

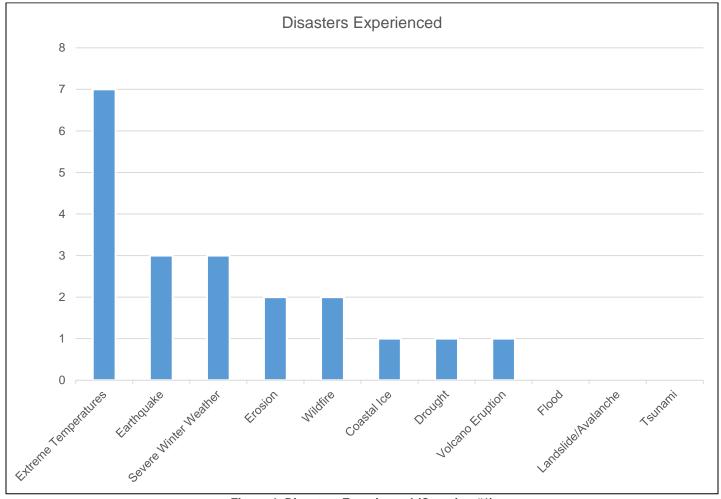


Figure 4: Disasters Experienced (Question #1)

Question 2 identified specific hazards that concerned the community members. The Community is most concerned about Wildfires. Nine individuals out of the 18 replies expressed they were somewhat or very concerned about wildfires. Other disasters of concern are extreme temperatures, earthquakes, and severe winter weather. Figure 5 identifies the concerns for the Community.

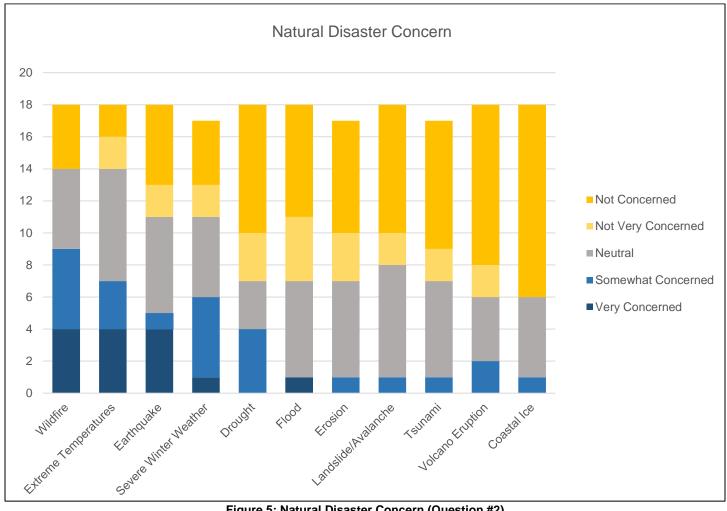


Figure 5: Natural Disaster Concern (Question #2)

The residents were asked if they received any information on how to make their homes and members of their household safe from a natural disaster (Question 3). Eight respondents noted that they received information. Of those eight, three received information within the last six months, two within the last year, and three received information five or more years ago. Figure 6 indicates the source of the information obtained by the residents (Question 4) that said they received this information.

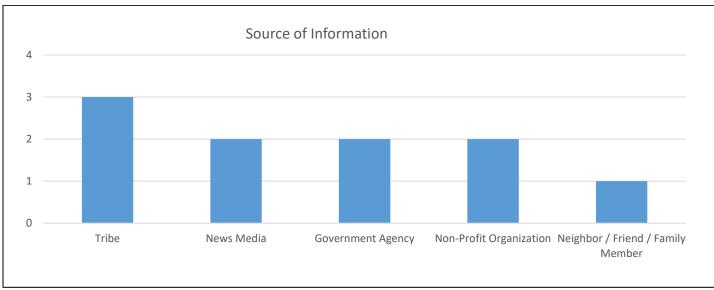


Figure 6: Source of Information (Question #4)

The residents were asked about the most effective way for them to receive information to protect their household and homes (Question 5). For those that responded this questions, mail, the internet, radio, and schools were considered the most effective ways of receiving this information. Figure 7 provides the respondents preferred method of receiving information about how to protect their homes and households.

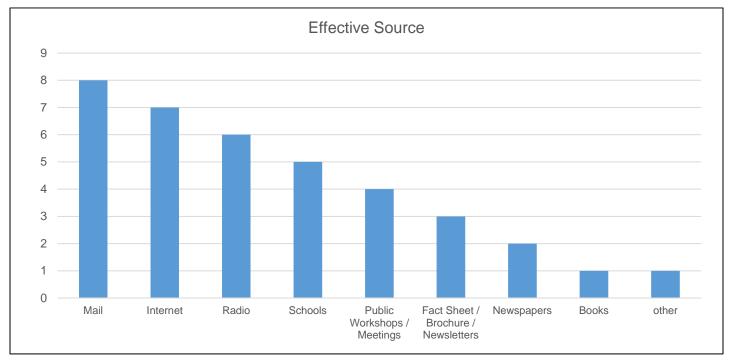


Figure 7: Effective Source (Question #5)

#### **COMMUNITY VULNERABILITIES AND HAZARD MITIGATION STRATEGIES**

The residents were asked to identify the categories of community assets that were most vulnerable to natural hazards (Question 6). Figure 8 portrays the opinions of those that responded to the survey.

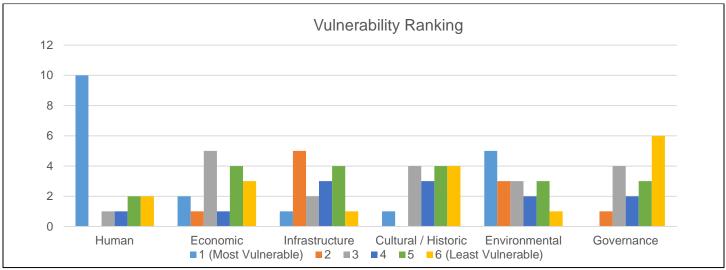


Figure 8: Vulnerability Ranking (Question #6)

Figure 9 shows to respondents' opinion of the importance of specific community assets (Question 7).

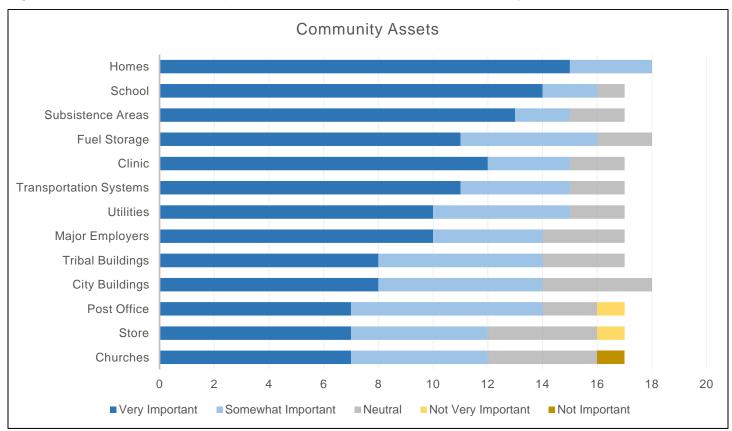


Figure 9: Community Assets (Question #7)

The survey respondents were asked to indicate agreement / disagreement with different mitigation strategies (Question 8). Figure 10 depicts the survey answers.

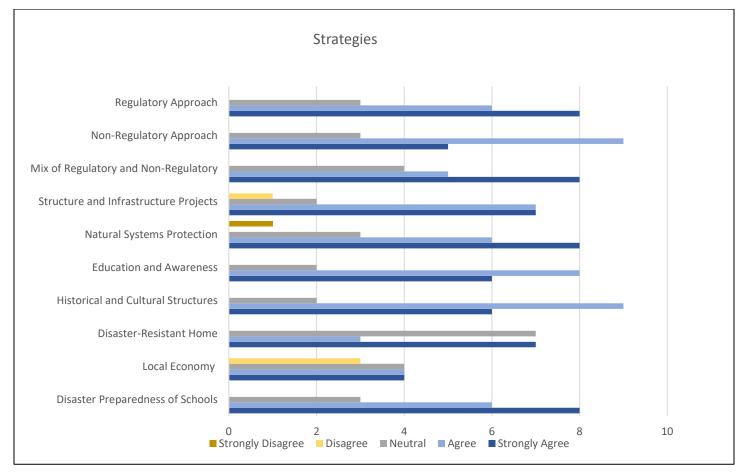


Figure 10: Mitigation Strategies (Question #8)

Question 9 asked community residents to identify community priorities regarding planning for natural hazards in their community (See Figure 11).

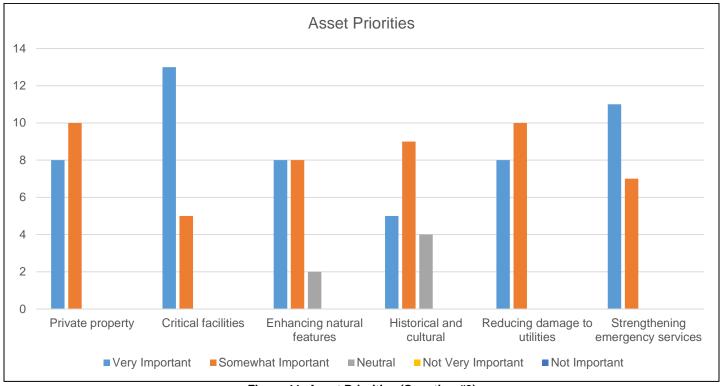


Figure 11: Asset Priorities (Question #9)

#### MITIGATION AND PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES IN THE HOUSEHOLD

Residents can protect themselves, their household members, and their own private property. Question 10 asked residents to identify preparedness activities they have personally done (See Figure 12)

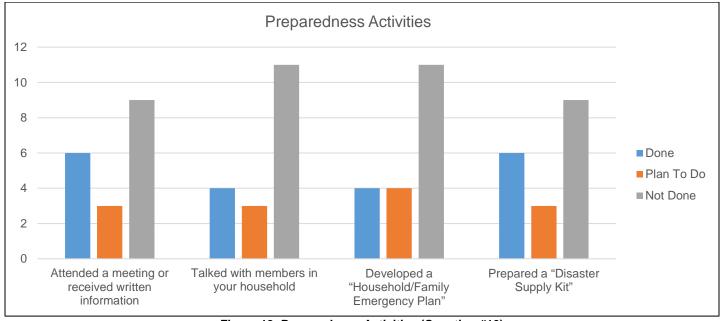


Figure 12: Preparedness Activities (Question #10)

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

The following is a list of comments made by some of the respondents.

- There used to be a mercury mine at the Marsh Mountain, has been cleaned up since.
- Electricity too much outages.
- We need a generator for the village.
- I would like to see fire breaks around the community, we do live at a lake Aleknagik which is also the gateway to the Woods-Tikchik State Park.
- The Village of Aleknagik has no emergency siren to notify residence of an emergency; where to meet as
  a community; I believe the city of Aleknagik has an emergency plan in place of who to notify in case of
  emergency.



# Bristol Bay Native Association Transportation and Infrastructure Development

August 2018 Newsletter 1

This newsletter describes the Bristol Bay Native Association Transportation and Infrastructure Department's Tribal Hazard Mitigation Planning project development processes to all interested agencies, stakeholders, and the public and to solicit comments. It can also be viewed on the BBNA's website at <a href="https://www.bbna.com">www.bbna.com</a>

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) Transportation and Infrastructure Department (DOTID) was awarded a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to prepare your 2019 Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (BESC) was contracted to assist the BBNA DOTID with preparing a 2019 FEMA approvable THMP plan.

The TMP will identify all natural hazards, such as earthquake, flood, erosion, severe weather, and wildland/tundra fire hazards, etc. The plan will also identify the people and facilities potentially at risk and ways to mitigate damage from future hazard impacts. We will document the public participation and planning process as part of this project.

#### What is Hazard Mitigation?

Hazard mitigation projects eliminate the risk or reduce the hazard impact severity to people and property. Projects may include short- or long-term activities to reduce exposure to or the effects of known hazards. Hazard mitigation activities could include relocating or elevating buildings, replacing insufficiently sized culverts, using alternative construction techniques, developing, implementing, or enforcing building codes,or developing, and implementing education programs.

#### Why Do We Need A Hazard Mitigation Plan?

Communities must have a State, FEMA approved, and community adopted mitigation plan to receive a project grant from FEMA's pre- and post- disaster grants identified in their Hazard Mitigation Assistance and other agency's mitigation grant programs. BBNA DOTID plans to apply for mitigation funds after our plan is complete.

A FEMA approved and community adopted THMP enables the Local government to apply for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), a disaster related assistance program; the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM), and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant programs.

#### **The Planning Process**

There are very specific federal requirements that must be met when preparing a FEMA approvable THMP. These requirements are commonly referred to as the planning process requirements of 44 CFR 201.7 (c)

The following steps describe the planning process in order to develop the THMP.

- 1. Establish the Planning Team
- 2. Education of the Planning Team
- 3. Assess Risks
- 4. Assess Capabilities
- 5. Develop a Mitigation Strategy
- 6. Monitor, Evaluate, and Plan Updates

We are currently in the very beginning stages of preparing the plan development. We will be conducting a Planning Team Meeting to introduce the project and planning team, to gather comments from community residents, identify hazards, and collect data to refine the vulnerability assessment.

#### We Need Your Help

BESC has prepared survey packets to begin collecting information for your THMP. Survey packets will be mailed to your village council and sent by email to your village administrator.

Establishing a Planning Team is a very important step. We will need a point of contact (POC)/team leader from your community. This group will consist of 2-5 people that have good knowledge about land use, the transportation system, public facilities, and safety resources within the community. BBNA DOTID will be in contact with your tribe to determine a POC and your planning team.

Once the Planning Team has been developed, they will begin to work on the following items:

- Identifying the hazards that impact your community;
- Determining information about the hazards such as, location, history, extent, and the probability of future events;
- Completing a risk analysis, and;
- Developing problem statements and goals.

BBNA DOTID will be in contact with your tribe to set up an initial teleconference meeting with the Planning Team, BBNA DOTID, and BESC to continue to work on the THMP development.

The BBNA DOTID team will be led by Annie Fritze, DOTID Program Manager or Dan Breeden, Department Director with assistance from Bristol Engineering Service Company, LLC (contracted by BBNA). BESC will be developing materials and lead the planning process with guidance from BBNA DOTID staff.

#### **BBNA Tribal Hazard Planning Team**

Team Member	Title	Involvment
Annie Fritze	Program Manager	THMP Team Leader, data gathering and plan review
Dan Breeden	Department Director	THMP Team Leader, data gathering and plan review
Isaac Pearson, P.E.	Senior Engineer	THMP Consultant
Danielle Dance	Civil Engineer	THMP Consultant

#### **Public Participation**

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed, and to allow you every opportunity to voice your opinion regarding these important projects. We want to encourage public involvement as a continuous effort throughout the project.

We encourage you to take an active part in the development effort, and preparation of the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The goal is to receive comments, identify key issues or concerns, and improve mitigation ideas, and to guide the community.

Please contact BBNA DOTID program staff or BESC if you have any questions, comments, or requests for more information:

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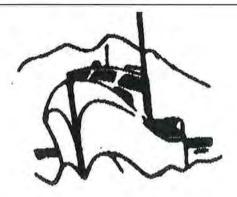
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#### Aleknagik Community Stakeholders:

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) was awarded a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to develop Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plans (THMP's) for twenty (20) tribes in the Bristol Bay Region. We would like to take this time to acquaint you to the project, with the BBNA THMP Team, and to welcome your input and participation.

BBNA represents all tribes within the Bristol Bay Region, and as such provides support for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre-disaster mitigation planning project. On behalf of the twenty tribes in this region, BBNA contracted Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC (Bristol) for the development of their Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). The THMP was prepared to meet the requirements of the Stafford Act and Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). By meeting these requirements, it makes the Tribal communities eligible for funding through state and federal mitigation grant programs.

We are excited to announce that the draft THMP for the Tribal Council of Aleknagik will be made available to the Tribal offices for public review and comment January 14-21, 2019.

This plan is available on BBNA's web page for public comment at <a href="https://www.bbna.com/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FEMA-THMP-Aleknagik-04Jan2019.pdf">https://www.bbna.com/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FEMA-THMP-Aleknagik-04Jan2019.pdf</a>

The goal is to receive comments, identify key issues or concerns and improve ideas for mitigation. When the draft plan is complete, the results will be presented to the community before submitting to FEMA for their preliminary

approval and returned back to the Tribal Council for formal adoption.

Public comments should be received no later than January 21, 2019. Comments can be made via email, fax, or phone to Danielle Dance, Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC at <a href="mailto:ddance@bristol-companies.com">ddance@bristol-companies.com</a>, (907)563-0013 or by fax at (907)563-6713. If no comments are received by the end of the comment period it will be assumed that there were no comments on the draft.

Please contact me should you have any additional questions at <a href="mailto:afritze@bbna.com">afritze@bbna.com</a>, (907)842-6143 or Danielle Dance at <a href="mailto:ddance@bristol-companies.com">ddance@bristol-companies.com</a>, (907)563-0013 Quyana.

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Mike and Debbie Chausee (Aleknagik Island Lodge owners)

Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA) was awarded a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to develop Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plans (THMP's) for twenty (20) tribes in the Bristol Bay Region. We would like to take this time to acquaint you to the project, with the BBNA THMP Team, and to welcome your input and participation.

We have been working with Aleknagik Tribal Council on their Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan (THMP). The THMP identified natural hazards, such as earthquake, flood, erosion, severe weather, and wildland/tundra fire hazards, etc. The plan will also identify the people and facilities potentially at risk and ways to mitigate damage from future hazard impacts.

The draft THMP is available for public review and comment period on BBNA's web page at <a href="https://www.bbna.com/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FEMA-THMP-Aleknagik-04Jan2019.pdf">https://www.bbna.com/wp-content/uploads/DRAFT-FEMA-THMP-Aleknagik-04Jan2019.pdf</a>

During the public comment period, your fishing lodge was identified as an important local business that will be at risk should a natural disaster occur. We have extended the deadline for stakeholder public review and comment no later than January 25, 2019.

The goal is to receive comments, identify key issues or concerns and improve ideas for mitigation. When the draft plan is complete, the results will be presented to the community before submitting to FEMA for their preliminary approval and returned back to the Tribal Council for formal adoption. Communities must have a State, FEMA approved, and community adopted mitigation plan to receive a project grant from FEMA's pre- and post- disaster grants identified in their Hazard Mitigation Assistance and other agency's mitigation grant programs.

Public comments should be received no later than January 25, 2019.

Comments can be made via email, fax, or phone to Danielle Dance, Bristol Engineering Services Company, LLC at <a href="mailto:ddance@bristol-companies.com">ddance@bristol-companies.com</a>, (907)563-0013 or by fax at (907)563-6713. If no comments are received by the end of the comment period it will be assumed that there were no comments on the draft.

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Subject: Aleknagik THMP

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# **Bristol Bay Native Association Transportation and Infrastructure Development**

January 2019 Newsletter 2 Aleknagik

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#### If you have any questions, comments or requests for more information, please contact:

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To: Representative.Bryce.Edgmon@akleg.gov

Cc: Ralph Andersen; Dan Breeden; Pearson, Isaac; Dance, Danielle

Subject: BBNA THMP

Date: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 9:36:40 AM
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Chignik Lake
State Capitol Room 208

[Juneau, AK 99801]

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To: <u>Senator.Lyman.Hoffman@akleg.gov</u>

Cc: Ralph Andersen; Dan Breeden; Pearson, Isaac; Dance, Danielle

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Date:Tuesday, January 15, 2019 9:34:20 AMAttachments:signed letter senator FEMA project.pdf

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To: Dance, Danielle

Cc: Francisca Demoski; Mischa Ellanna; Russell Phelps
Subject: Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan Comments
Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019 5:05:56 PM

Danielle,

By this email I am providing comment on the January 2019 Draft Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan for Aleknagik. I appreciate the opportunity to provide this feedback.

First I found the Plan to be organized, effectively presented and well written. I have a couple of comments that I hope you will consider in finalizing the Plan.

The Draft THMP does not account for the fishing lodges in Aleknagik. There are at least three lodges that are inside (or very close to) the City: Mission Lodge, Aleknagik Island Lodge and Bearclaw Lodge.

http://www.missionlodge.com/ http://www.islandlodgefishing.com/fishing.htm https://bearclawlodge.com/

These lodges should figure into your plan because they are major components of the local economy (I believe providing a large share of the City's annual tax revenues through a sales tax and a bed tax) and because they bring significant additional numbers of people into the community each summer, Should one of the hazards occur during the summer, several dozen additional people (guests and employees) will be at risk. Furthermore, the loss of any of these businesses due to a natural disaster could cause significant economic distress to the community through the loss of tax revenues.

Looking at specific sections of the draft Plan:

- 1) Section 2.4 "Economy" should recognize the tourism is a significant component to the local economy.
- 2) Section 2.5 for Demographics might recognize the population of Aleknagik changes seasonally. In the summer many more people are present as employees and guests of the lodges. All of these folks are at risk should a hazard occur during the summer.
- 3) The fishing lodges could also be assets should a hazard occur during the summer. The lodges have both boats and planes. Depending on circumstances, these assets could be available in rescue or evacuation efforts.
- 4) In Section 3.2, consider listing the lodges and their owners as stakeholders in the plan.
- 5) Section 5.2.2 "Clinic Economy" Did you mean to use the work "Clinic" here? The fishging lodges should be listed in this secitno as economic assets of the community.
- 6) Consider including the lodges in Section 5.2.3 "Built Environment"
- 7) Consider including the lodges in Table 5-13 (note the first page of the table mislabels it as Table 5-14)

I am available to discuss in greater detail.

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Subject: RE: Aleknagik THMP draft

**Date:** Friday, January 18, 2019 3:36:21 PM

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## **APPENDIX C**

# Plan Maintenance

- Maintenance Monitoring Form (THMP Form 4-1)
- Plan Update Evaluation Form (THMP Form 4-2)

# **MAINTENANCE MONITORING FORM**

Use this form to track the status of implementation of the identified mitigation actions, once a year. Use the information to provide the Council with a brief status report.

Date	Evaluator	Comments (Brief Status Overview of Mitigation Actions)

# THMP Form 4-1

Evaluator	Comments (Brief Status Overview of Mitigation Actions)
	Evaluator

# PLAN UPDATE EVALUATION FORM

Plan Section	Considerations	Explanation
Section	Have any internal or external agencies been invaluable to the mitigation strategy?	
Planning	Can any procedures (e.g., meeting announcements, plan updates) be done differently or more efficiently?	
Process	Has the Planning Team undertaken any public outreach activities?	
	How can public participation be improved?	
	Have jurisdictions adopted new policies, plans, regulations, or reports that could be incorporated into this plan?	
Capability Assessment	Are there different or additional administrative, human, technical, and financial resources available for mitigation planning?	
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Plan	Was the plan monitored and evaluated as anticipated?	
Maintenance Procedures	What are needed improvements to the procedures?	
	Has a natural and/or technical or human-caused disaster occurred?	
Hazard Profile	Should the list of hazards addressed in the plan be modified? What hazards need to be addressed? Are there hazards that need to be added or removed? If so, list the hazards.	
	Are there new data sources and/or additional maps and studies available? If so, what are they and what have they revealed? Should the information be incorporated into future plan updates?	
Risk	Do any new critical facilities or infrastructure need to be added to the asset lists?	
Analysis	Have any changes in development trends occurred that could create additional risks?	

Plan Section	Considerations	Explanation
	Are the goals still applicable?	
Mitigation	Should new mitigation actions be added to the community's Mitigation Action Plan?	
Strategy	Do existing mitigation actions listed in the community's Mitigation Action Plan need to be reprioritized?	
	Have elements of the plan been incorporated into other planning mechanisms?	

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### APPENDIX D

**Funding Sources** 

# CLIMATE RESILIENCE IN ALASKAN COMMUNITIES

# Catalog of Federal Programs

# PRODUCT OF THE Coastal Erosion Working Group OF THE ARCTIC EXECUTIVE STEERING COMMITTEE



In February 2015, the newly established Arctic Executive Steering Committee (AESC), in one of its first actions, established a Coastal Erosion Working Group (CEWG). The CEWG, which included representatives from the Executive Office of the President as well as ten Federal agencies, was tasked with examining opportunities for Federal action to address the imminent threats that coastal erosion and flooding pose to Alaskan Arctic coastal communities. Representation on the working group drew from both headquarters and the Alaska region, ensuring good knowledge of State and local stakeholders' needs.

One of the recommendations that the CEWG presented at the June meeting of the AESC, was to catalog Federal programs that could be useful for Alaskan coastal communities seeking to address erosion, flooding, and other resilience challenges. The following "Catalog of Federal Resilience Programs for Alaskan Communities" was developed by the CEWG in response to this recommendation. We hope this resource will support communities in Alaska in identifying Federal resources available to help address some of great challenges they are facing.

Ambassador Mark Brzezinski Executive Director, Arctic Executive Steering Committee

#### Overview

According to the U.S. National Climate Assessment, over the past 60 years, climate change has caused the Alaskan Arctic to warm twice as rapidly as the rest of the United States, and accelerated rates of erosion caused by the combination of repeated extreme weather events, thawing permafrost, and decreased arctic sea ice are threatening the way of life in native villages.

Developed under the leadership of the Arctic Executive Steering Committee's (AESC) Coastal Erosion Work Group (CEWG), this catalog of Federal technical assistance programs and funding resources is the result of collaboration across Federal agencies to identify existing programs that may be used to assist coastal communities in Alaska facing challenges associated with climate-related risks. Although a variety of Federal programs are available to provide assistance, lack of information about the full range of resources available can present a barrier to communities securing assistance. This compendium is intended to help Alaskan communities identify Federal resources that can be used to support local efforts to gather and evaluate information about the risks posed by coastal erosion and other hazards; building capacity to mitigate those risks; advance onsite measures; and, if necessary, relocate community assets.

Each program's entry describes its purpose and funding potential, eligible applicants, and activities typically undertaken with its support. The Quick Reference Program Matrix serves to identify which programs can support the following activities:

**Information Gathering and Evaluation:** Risk assessment and monitoring activities, including assessing hazards like coastal erosion, mapping subsistence patterns, and tracking natural climate variability;

Capacity Building: Training, education, and community planning efforts, including digital access to tools and development of administrative needs to inform resilience planning;

On-site Measures: Maintaining and strengthening infrastructure, land, and livelihoods within a community. Examples include redesigning roads and evacuation routes due to climate change impacts and investing in infrastructure that generates economic returns; and Relocation: Activities that support the relocation of entire communities or certain community assets, including new site identification and development.

Contributing agencies include the Departments of Agriculture, Energy, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, Transportation, Homeland Security, Commerce, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. While this guide attempts to be as comprehensive as possible in describing relevant Federal grant programs, programs are continually evolving and are subject to change.

#### **About the Arctic Executive Steering Committee**

President Obama established the AESC in his January 2015 Executive Order 13689 on *Enhancing Coordination of National Efforts in the Arctic*. The Executive Order directed Federal agencies to strengthen international cooperation to mitigate the greenhouse gas emissions driving climate change, understand more fully and manage more effectively the adverse effects of climate change, protect life and property, develop and manage resources responsibly, enhance the quality of life of Arctic inhabitants, and serve as stewards for valuable and vulnerable ecosystems. The AESC was charged with guiding executive departments and agencies and enhancing coordination of Federal Arctic policies across agencies and offices, and with State, local, and Alaska Native tribal governments and stakeholders.

The CEWG, co-chaired by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Department of the Interior (DOI), was created to examine opportunities for improving Federal actions to address the imminent threat of coastal erosion and flooding impacting Alaskan Arctic coastal communities.

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- Agency	Flood Mitigation Assistance	12						X	X						
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Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency	Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning	13	X	X	X			X							
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Department of Commerce – Economic Development Authority	Public Works Program	14							X		X	X		X	X

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nic and A	Analyze, Forecast, and Support	16	X	X											
Vational Ocea	Integrated Ocean and Coastal Mapping Program	16	X	X											
Department of Commerce – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan	16	X	X				X							
Department of ( Administration	Climate Program	17	X	Λ	X	X		Λ							
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nent of	Alaska START Program	17			X	X		X	X		X	X			X
Department of Energy	Tribal Energy Program	18			X	X		X	X		X	X			X

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	ANILCA Sec. 1318 Historic Assistance	19					X								
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Department of the Interior	North Slope Science Initiative	20	X	X		X									
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Department of the Interior - Bureau of Indian Affairs	Indian Energy Resource Development Program	21			X							X			X
Departn Bureau	Tribal Transportation Program	21							X			X			X
Department of Transportation	Transportation Investment Generating Economic Return	22						X	X			X			X

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Department of Transportation - Federal Aviation Administration	Airport Improvement Program	22						X						X
f n - Federal inistration	Federal-aid Highway Apportioned Funds	23						X			X			X
Department of Transportation - Federal Highway Administration	Tribal Transportation Program	23					X	X			X			X
Department of Transportation - Federal Transit Administration	Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program Tribal Transit Program	24					X	X		X				X
n Agency	Alaska Native Villages Grant	24		X				X						X
Environmental Protection Agency	Clean Water Act Indian Set-Aside Program	25					X	X						X

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y .	Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem- Solving Cooperative Agreement Program	25							X					X	
	Environmental Justice Small Grants	26						X							
Agency	Indian General Assistance Program	26	X	X											
Protection	Office of Water Climate Ready Water Utilities Program	27	X					X							
Environmental Protection Agency	Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Tribal Set-Aside Program	27						X	X						X
Human	ACF/ANA Environmental Regulatory Enhancement	28			X		X	X				X			
Health and Human Services	CDC/NCID/ Arctic Investigations Program	29	X	X		X									

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	CDC/NIOSH American Indian/ Alaska Native Program	29			X	X									
	CDC/NIOSH Climate Change Initiative	30	X												
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uman Servi	NIH/NIEHS Research to Action	31	X	X	X	X	X	X							
Health and Human Services	NIH/NIEHS The Center for Indigenous Environmental Health Research	31	X	X	X	X	X	X							
ing and	Community Development Block Grant	32	X	X	X						X			X	X
Department of Housing and Urban Development	Emergency Solutions Grants Program	33							X		X				
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oment	Mortgage Insurance for Disaster Victims – 203(h)	34												X	
Department of Housing and Urban Development	Native American Housing and Self- Determination Act - Indian Housing Block Grant Program	34	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
nt of Housi	Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program	35												X	
Departme	Title VI Loan Guarantee Program	35							X	X	X			X	X
ers	Continuing Authorities Program	35							X	X					
US Army Corps of Engineers	International and Interagency Support Services	36	X	X			X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
ny Corps	Planning Assistance to States	36	X					X					X		
US Arr	Tribal Partnership Program	37	X					X	X	X			X	X	X

Agency	Program	Page	Information Gathering		Capacity Building				On-Site Measures				R	Relocation		
	Business and Industry Loan Guarantee	37										X				
US Department of Agriculture	Community Facilities Loans and Grants	38												X		
	Electric Loans	38							X						X	
	Rural Business Development Grant	38										X				
	Rural Energy for America Loans and Grants	39							X						X	
	Sewer, Water, Solid Waste Loans and Grants	39							X						X	
	Single Family Direct and Guaranteed Loans	40												X		
	Single Family Repair Loans and Grants	40									X					
OSD	Telecom Loans	41							X						X	

# Department of Homeland Security (DHS) – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

#### **Program Name: Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Authorized to reduce or eliminate claims under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) by eliminating the long-term risk of flood damage to structures insured under the NFIP.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: States, U.S. territories, Federally-recognized tribes apply on behalf of local communities, who must be participating in the NFIP.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Severe Repetitive Loss structures can be funded at 100% federal cost; repetitive loss structures can be cost-shared at 90% federal cost. Insured structures and planning grants are cost-shared at 75 percent federal, 25 percent non-federal. Maximum Federal share for planning sub-applications per Applicant is \$50,000 for State plans and \$25,000 for local plans. Technical assistance up to \$50,000 is available for states who were awarded FMA grant funds totaling at least \$1million in FY 2014.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Projects include the elevation, relocation and acquisition of flood prone structures, and projects to address minor, localized flooding issues, such as upgrading culverts, building detention ponds, and otherwise improving local stormwater management facilities.

Because this program is funded by resources collected from NFIP policyholders, the recent focus of the program has been on mitigating severe repetitive loss structures in order to reduce the drain on the National Flood Insurance Fund (NFIF).

Severe repetitive loss structures and repetitive loss structures are prioritized for funding to maximize costeffectiveness and reduce claims to the NFIF.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1432854343618-674f4cfd5dd49813a9aef429e5d49c7d/FMAFactSheetFY2015.pdf

#### **Program Name: Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Provides grants to states, Indian tribal governments and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration. The purpose of the program is to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters and to enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the recovery from a disaster.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Funds become available only after a disaster is declared. The Governor of the state determines availability, however it is frequently available anywhere within the state or tribe in which the declaration was made.

<u>Funding Range</u>: The amount of assistance available under the HMGP is a percentage of FEMA's assistance made available under the response and recovery programs for the declared major disaster.

HMGP funds are generally 15 percent of assistance under these programs for states with a Standard State Mitigation Plan and 20 percent of assistance under these programs for those with an Enhanced State Mitigation Plans. Small impoverished communities may be eligible for up to a 90% Federal cost share in accordance with the Stafford Act.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Some examples of projects eligible for HMGP and the PDM grant funds include the development of all-hazards mitigation plans at the tribal, state and local levels, the seismic retrofitting of critical public buildings, and acquisition, relocation or elevation of flood-prone properties located in the floodplain.

Additional Information: http://www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-grant-program

#### **Program Name: Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDM)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Designed to assist States, territories, Federally-recognized tribes, and local communities in implementing a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program.

Eligible Applicants: States, U.S. territories, Federally-recognized tribes.

<u>Funding Range</u>: In 2015, each state is eligible to receive a set aside of 1 percent of the total appropriated PDM funding, or \$250,000; \$5 million is set aside for Federally-recognized Tribal governments to receive a set aside of 1 percent of the total appropriated PDM funding, or \$250,000; The balance of PDM Grant Program funds will be distributed on a competitive basis to all eligible applicants.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Elevation, acquisition, or floodproofing structures, seismic or wind retrofit of structures, major or minor flood hazard reduction activities, mitigation planning

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1432847398289-878c470e718239eedcaadc8d52ea1823/PDMFactSheetFY2015.pdf

#### Program Name: Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP)

<u>Purpose</u>: Not only is flooding one of the most common and costly disasters, flood risk can also change over time because of new building and development, weather patterns and other factors. FEMA is working with federal, state, tribal and local partners across the nation to identify flood risk and help reduce that risk through the Risk Mapping, Assessment and Planning (Risk MAP) program.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: State, regional, Tribal, and local communities can use enhanced hazard data to make more informed decisions regarding risk.

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Risk MAP provides high quality flood maps and information, tools to better assess the risk from flooding and planning and outreach support to communities to help them take action to

reduce (or mitigate) flood risk. Each Risk MAP flood risk project is tailored to the needs of each community and may involve different products and services.

Additional Information: http://www.fema.gov/risk-mapping-assessment-and-planning-risk-map

# Department of Commerce (DOC) – Economic Development Administration (EDA)

#### **Program Name: Economic Adjustment Assistance Program**

<u>Purpose</u>: Helps communities design and implement strategies to address evolving economic changes that are causing or threaten to cause serious structural damage to the underlying economic base or undermining locally-developed development goals.

Eligible Applicants: (1) District Organization of a designated Economic Development District; (2) Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; (3) State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; (4) institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or (5) public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Investments range from \$100,000 to \$1,250,000; the average is approximately \$829,000.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Can be used to conduct feasibility or environmental studies, capitalize revolving loan funds, and to fund the construction of publicly-owned infrastructure, such as water and sewer facilities, access roads, rail spurs, and broadband, to support the expansion of area businesses; business incubators; job training facilities; and other infrastructure investments.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.eda.gov/pdf/about/Economic-Adjustment-Assistance-Program-1-Pager.pdf

#### **Program Name: Public Works Program**

<u>Purpose</u>: The Public Works Program provides strategic-investments to help communities build or expand access to the infrastructure assets that are the most basic building blocks of an economy and are required to support the growth and economic development of distressed regions.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: (1) District Organization of a designated Economic Development District; (2) Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; (3) State, county, city, or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; (4) institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or (5) public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Investments range from \$200,000 to \$3,000,000, the average is approximately \$1.4 million.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Traditional infrastructure through this program including water and sewer system improvements, industrial parks, business incubator facilities, expansion of port and harbor facilities, skill-training facilities, and the redevelopment of brownfields. Also, technology-based facilities; research and development commercialization centers; facilities for workforce development; wet labs; multi-tenant manufacturing facilities; research, business and science parks with fiber optic cable; and telecommunications infrastructure and development facilities.

Additional Information: http://www.eda.gov/pdf/about/Public-Works-Program-1-Pager.pdf

### DOC – National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

#### Program Name: Alaska Center for Climate Assessment & Policy

<u>Purpose</u>: NOAA's Regional Integrated Sciences & Assessments (RISA) program supports research teams that help expand and build the nation's capacity to prepare for and adapt to climate variability and change.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: NOAA 5 year funding agreement with ACCAP; ACCAP awards funding to other entities to accomplish its five year goals.

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Partner with stakeholders to inform realistic community plans and climate adaptation strategies using the most scientifically accurate, reliable, and up-to-date information.

#### Additional Information:

http://cpo.noaa.gov/ClimatePrograms/ClimateandSocietalInteractions/RISAProgram/RISATeams/ACCA P.aspx

#### Program Name: Alaska Ocean Observing System

<u>Purpose</u>: Address regional and national needs for ocean information, gather specific data on key coastal and ocean variables, and ensure timely and sustained dissemination and availability of these data.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: AOOS Funding is based on a five year plan focusing on: safe marine operations; coastal hazard mitigation; tracking ecosystem and climate trends; and monitoring water quality.

Funding Range: \$0-\$500k.

<u>Program Activities</u>: (1) Enables advances in scientific understanding to support the sustainable use, conservation, management, and understanding of healthy ocean and coastal resources.

(2) Improves the Nation's capability to measure, track, explain, and predict events related directly and indirectly to weather and climate change, natural climate variability, and interactions between the oceanic and atmospheric environments.

Additional Information: http://www.ioos.noaa.gov/regions/aoos.html

#### **Program Name:** Analyze, Forecast, and Support

<u>Purpose</u>: Field forecast and warnings, facilities supporting the mission and programmatic leadership in the provision of life saving decision support services.

NWS has initiated Impact Based Decision Support Services (IDSS) to provide better, more useful information to partners, emergency managers, and decision makers to foster an appropriate public response.

Eligible Applicants: None, work is performed by NOAA.

Funding Range: N/A

<u>Program Activities</u>: Provides decision support services, warning coordination, and Arctic environmental intelligence (timely, reliable, and actionable information to help plan for and adapt to economic and ecological impacts, including disasters) to the State of Alaska and Alaska Native partners, industry and community stakeholders, and federal and other local officials.

Addresses mitigation science and technology gaps in the Arctic as well as forecast challenges to improve IDSS), such as: scarcity of in-situ observations (e.g., wave, ocean, and ice buoys, weather observation platforms, river gauge) in the Arctic; performance concerns with weather, water, ocean and wave prediction models in the Arctic region as compared to the rest of the US; and the lack of maturity of tactical and medium range weather and sea ice modeling capabilities.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.weather.gov/organization/afs

#### Program Name: Integrated Ocean & Coastal Mapping Program

<u>Purpose:</u> Planning, acquiring, integrating, and disseminating ocean and coastal geospatial data and derivative products in a manner that permits easy access to and use by the greatest range of users.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Participation in the IOCM approach (map used many times) is voluntary but coordination with and leveraging of other partner efforts are encouraged.

Funding Range: N/A

Program Activities: Federal mapping coordination.

Additional Information: http://iocm.noaa.gov/

# **Program Name:** National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP)

<u>Purpose:</u> Area Committees -- composed of federal, state, and local government officials -- must develop detailed, location-specific Area Contingency Plans.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Federal, state, and local government officials serve on the committees. Participation and input by Alaska Native entities to the committees is encouraged.

Funding Range: N/A

<u>Program Activities</u>: Planning, preparedness, and exercises support resiliency to oil spills. Environmental Sensitivity Indices (ESI) maps and other tools assess the risk from oil spills and would also be useful potential species impacts.

Additional Information: http://response.restoration.noaa.gov/

#### **Program Name: Climate Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> Fund high-priority climate science, assessments, decision support research, outreach, education, and capacity-building activities designed to advance our understanding of Earth's climate system, and to foster the application of this knowledge in risk management and adaptation efforts.

Eligible Applicants: None, work is performed by NOAA.

Funding Range: Varies.

Program Activities: Varies.

Additional Information: http://cpo.noaa.gov/

#### **Program Name: Observations**

<u>Purpose:</u> Collection of space, atmosphere, water, and climate observational data owned or leveraged by National Weather Service. The Office is responsible for the development, acquisition and management of cost-effective observing technologies, hardware and software enhancements, maintenance and repairs, logistics, cost management, technical data verification, and life-cycle replacements of NWS observational platforms.

Eligible Applicants: None, work is performed by NOAA.

Funding Range: N/A

**Program Activities**: Weather and sea ice observations.

Additional Information: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/osd/portal.shtml

# Department of Energy (DOE)

#### Program Name: Alaska Strategic Technical Assistance Response Team (START) Program

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide technical assistance in strategic energy planning to accelerate clean energy and energy efficiency projects and move projects closer to implementation.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Any Indian Tribe, including any Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.).

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The START team, which consists of DOE, including its national laboratories, and the Denali Commission, along with DOE's national laboratories and other local and national experts, assists rural Alaska Native communities in developing strategic energy plans to help mitigate the impacts of climate change by conducting energy awareness and training programs, and pursuing new renewable energy and energy efficiency opportunities. As a competitive technical assistance opportunity, Alaska START is aimed at achieving the following goals:

- Reducing the cost and use of energy for rural Alaska consumers and communities
- Increasing local capacity, energy efficiency, and conservation through training and public education
- Increasing renewable energy deployment and financing opportunities for communities and utilities.

Additional Information: http://www.energy.gov/indianenergy/office-indian-energy-start-team

#### **Program Name: Tribal Energy Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide financial and technical assistance that enables tribes to evaluate and develop their renewable energy resources and reduce their energy consumption through efficiency and weatherization.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Federally recognized Indian tribes, bands, nations, Alaska Native villages; other organized tribal groups and communities – including Alaska Native regional and village corporations; tribal energy resource development organizations.

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: DOE's Tribal Energy Program promotes tribal energy sufficiency and fosters economic development and employment of energy efficiency on tribal lands through the use of renewable energy and energy efficient technologies through government-to-government partnerships. The Tribal Energy program provides financial opportunities through a competitive process; technical assistance through DOE's national laboratories; and education and training through webinars, student internships, and workshops to help build the knowledge and skills essential to developing, implementing and sustaining energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

Additional Information: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/

### Department of the Interior (DOI)

#### **Program Name:** Alaska Climate Science Center

<u>Purpose:</u> The Alaska Climate Science Center (AK CSC) provides scientific information, tools, and techniques that managers and other parties interested in land, water, wildlife and cultural resources can use to anticipate, monitor, and adapt to climate change.

Eligible Applicants: Any

Funding Range: No specific funding levels or deadlines.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The Center and its partners provide expertise in climate science, ecology, environmental impacts assessment, modeling, cultural impacts, and advanced information technology.

Additional Information: https://www.doi.gov/csc/alaska/

# **Program Name:** Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) Sec. 1318 Historic Assistance

<u>Purpose:</u> Technical assistance in preserving cultural resources.

Eligible Applicants: All Tribes and Corporations in Alaska.

Funding Range: No specific funding levels or deadlines.

Program Activities: Wide variety of activities related to cultural resources.

Additional Information: Telephone: (907) 644-3456

#### **Program Name: Landscape Conservation Cooperatives**

Purpose: Science and technical assistance.

Eligible Applicants: Any village or other entity.

Funding Range: No specific funding levels or deadlines.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Examples: provide tools to assess coastal hazards, including accelerated coastal erosion associated with climate change. Specific projects include: acquisition and analysis of imagery to quantify historical erosion rates and enable communities to consider the stability of existing and future infrastructure; data and modeling needed to predict the severity of flooding based on the circumstances and magnitude of storms; community vulnerability assessments that incorporate coastal erosion as well as other aspects of coastal change.

These projects are underway or are newly completed. A shared effort is planned by LCCs in Alaska to work with partners and communities to utilize these tools and information during the winter of 2015-16.

Additional Information: Arctic Landscape Conservation Cooperative: http://arcticlcc.org/

Western Alaska Landscape Conservation Cooperative: https://westernalaskalcc.org/SitePages/Western%20Alaska%20LCC.aspx

#### **Program Name:** North Slope Science Initiative

<u>Purpose:</u> To facilitate and improve collection and dissemination of ecosystem information pertaining to the Alaskan North Slope region, including coastal and offshore regions. To improve scientific and regulatory understanding of terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecosystems for consideration in the context of resource development activities and climate change.

Eligible Applicants: Any.

<u>Funding Range</u>: No specific funding levels or deadlines.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Provide resource managers with the data and analyses they need to help evaluate multiple simultaneous goals and objectives related to each agency's mission on the North Slope. The NSSI uses and complements the information produced under other North Slope science programs. The NSSI also facilitates information sharing among agencies, non-governmental organizations, industry, academia, international programs, and members of the public to increase communication and reduce redundancy among science programs.

Additional Information: http://www.northslope.org/

#### **Program Name: Subsistence – ANLICA Title VIII**

<u>Purpose:</u> Technical assistance related to subsistence.

Eligible Applicants: Any Tribe or village in Alaska.

Funding Range: No specific funding levels or deadlines.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Examples: 1) subsistence mapping in coastal communities to document where people go for particular resources at particular times of the year; and 2) document the flow of resources through sharing networks, which could be greatly disrupted if whole communities and groups of families are relocated.

Additional Information: Telephone (907) 644-3596.

### DOI – Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

# **Program Name:** Cooperative Landscape Conservation (shifting to Tribal Climate Resilience in FY16)

<u>Purpose:</u> Funding for tribal climate adaptation, and ocean & coastal planning. Engagement and technical support, not operational funds.

Eligible Applicants: Federally Recognized Tribes.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Current administrative limit is \$250k per award.

<u>Program Activities</u>: BIA is investing in technical assistance to support adaptation planning, including coordination, training, travel support for relevant training, and digital access to data and tools.

Additional Information: http://www.indianaffairs.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/climatechange/index.htm

#### **Program Name: Indian Energy Resource Development Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> Assist tribes in development of tribal energy resources. This includes the Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) grant program to build capacity to develop conventional or renewable energy resources on Indian lands.

Eligible Applicants: Federally Recognized Tribes.

Funding Range: Varies depending on appropriations.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The TEDC grant program helps tribes in assessing, developing, or obtaining the managerial, organizational and technical capacity needed to develop energy resources on Indian land and to account properly for resulting energy production and revenues.

Additional Information: http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/IEED/DEMD/TEDCP/index.htm

#### **Program Name: Tribal Transportation Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide funding to tribes for access to basic community services that enhance the quality of life in Indian country, such as construction and/or reconstruction of roads, bridges, docks and trails. The TTP replaces the former Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program. Note that this program is the same as the Department of Transportation's (DOT) TTP, although DOT can additionally provide strategic planning.

Eligible Applicants: Federally Recognized Tribes.

Funding Range: TTP is formula funded.

<u>Program Activities</u>: New roads can be built based on the specific needs for evacuation routes, or redesigning if impacted roads by changes due to climatic variances (flooding, snow fences and road shelters, etc.). TTP funds can also be used for facility preservation, road maintenance and bridge maintenance, as well as "emergency relief for federally owned roads" (this includes tribal or native roads and facilities that are transportation related). Equipment storage, material storage, equipment purchase are other allowable uses.

<u>Additional Information</u>: BIA: http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OIS/Transportation/index.htm; DOT: http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/ttp/

### Department of Transportation (DOT)

#### **Program Name: Transportation Investment Generating Economic Return (TIGER)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Discretionary grants that focus on capital projects that generate economic development and improve access to reliable, safe and affordable transportation for disconnected communities, while emphasizing improved connection to employment, education, services and other opportunities, workforce development, or community revitalization.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: State, local and tribal governments, including U.S. territories, transit agencies, port authorities, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), and other political subdivisions of State or local governments.

<u>Funding Range</u>: \$500M nationwide funds. Funding cannot exceed \$200M and no more than \$125M in a single state. TIGER can cover up to 80% in an urban area and 100% in a rural area. Minimum award for urban is \$10M and rural is \$1M. The annual funding for TIGER changes annually based on the appropriations and authorizations.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Eligible projects for TIGER Discretionary Grants are capital projects that include, but are not limited to: highway or bridge projects eligible, (including bicycle and pedestrian related projects); public transportation projects; passenger and freight rail transportation projects; port infrastructure investments (including inland port infrastructure); and intermodal projects. Eligibility requirements must be satisfied.

Additional Information: http://www.transportation.gov/tiger

### DOT – Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

#### **Program Name: Airport Improvement Program**

Purpose: Airport improvement planning and development.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Public-use airports included within the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).

Funding Range: State of Alaska: 93.75% Federal, 6.25% cost sharing.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The AIP is authorized to provide grant funding for eligible airport improvements as requested by eligible airport sponsors. This would potentially include measures to safeguard airport infrastructure from erosion.

### DOT – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

#### **Program Name:** Federal-aid Highway Apportioned Funds

<u>Purpose</u>: Planning, preventive maintenance, infrastructure preservation, construction of highways and bridges, safety, congestion mitigation, and air quality improvement.

Eligible Applicants: State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Alaska receives approximately \$480M in apportionment funds annually. Federal share is typically 80%.

<u>Program Activities</u>: In Alaska, Federal-aid highway apportioned funds may be used for roads, pedestrian facilities, and snowmobile trails. Funding may be available to assist villages with improving or repairing roads and boardwalks.

Additional Information: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federalaid/projects.cfm

#### **Program Name:** Tribal Transportation Program (TTP)

<u>Purpose</u>: To provide funding to tribes for access to basic community services that enhance the quality of life in Indian country, such as construction and/or reconstruction of roads, bridges, docks and trails. The TTP replaces the former Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program. Note that this program is the same as the DOI BIA TTP, although DOT can additionally provide strategic planning.

Eligible Applicants: Federally recognized Tribes.

<u>Funding Range</u>: In MAP-21, the TTP is authorized at \$450 million/year and funds are distributed through a statutory formula. The federal share is 100%.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Eligible uses for TTP funds are identified in 23 USC 202(a). These include transportation planning, design, construction, and maintenance of roads and bridges as well as any other project that would be eligible under Title 23. The project must be on or for a facility that provides access to or is located within tribal land. The planning and construction of emergency escape or relocation routes are eligible activities.

<u>Additional Information</u>: DOT: http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/ttp/; BIA: http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OIS/Transportation/index.htm

### DOT – Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

# <u>Program Name</u>: Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program Tribal Transit Program (TTP)

<u>Purpose</u>: Provide grants to Indian tribes for program activities eligible under FTA's Rural Areas Formula Program, 49 U.S.C. 5311.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Federally recognized Indian Tribes and Alaskan Native villages, groups, or communities.

<u>Funding Range</u>: \$25 million formula program and \$5 million discretionary program. Discretionary funds are made available annually on a competitive basis.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Operating assistance to enable tribes to start new transit services; capital to enable tribal investment in new or replacement equipment; and funding for tribal transit planning studies. Examples of eligible resilience projects may include elevating or relocating transit assets that are located in a special flood hazard area, protecting transit assets vulnerable to high winds, installing mitigation measures that prevent the intrusion of floodwaters into underground segments of a public transportation system, strengthening systems that remove rainwater from public transportation facilities, and other projects that address identified vulnerabilities. However, relocating non-transit assets would not be considered an eligible resilience project.

Additional Information: http://www.fta.dot.gov/grants/15926\_3553.html

# Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

#### Program Name: Alaska Native Village Grant

<u>Purpose</u>: To assist Alaska Native Villages and Alaska rural communities with the construction of new or improved drinking water and wastewater systems.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: The applicant must be an unincorporated community that has between 25 and 600 people; a second-class city (no population limits); or a first class city with not more than 600 residents.

Funding Range: Funding varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The program is planning, designing and constructing new and or improved water and wastewater infrastructure in various communities throughout the State of Alaska to improve the health and sanitation conditions in rural Alaska.

The ANV Program provides technical support to communities to design and construct water and wastewater systems. It is meant to assist Alaska Native Villages and Alaska rural communities with the construction of new or improved drinking water and wastewater systems. This funding can also be used to provide training and technical assistance in the operations and maintenance of these systems.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://water.epa.gov/type/watersheds/wastewater/Alaska-Native-Village-and-Rural-Communities-Grant-Program.cfm

#### **Program Name: Clean Water Act Indian Set-Aside Program**

<u>Purpose</u>: Provides funding, 2% of the CWA SRF, for wastewater infrastructure to Indian tribes and Alaska Native Villages. The CWISA Program is administered in cooperation with the Indian Health Service (IHS). EPA uses the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System priority lists to identify and select projects for CWISA program funding. To be considered for CWISA Program funding, tribes must identify their wastewater needs to the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: All federally recognized tribes, Alaska Native Villages, and tribes on former reservations in Oklahoma are eligible for CWISA Program funds.

Funding Range: Funding varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The program is planning, designing and constructing new and or improved wastewater infrastructure in various communities throughout the State of Alaska to improve the health and sanitation conditions in Alaska Native Villages. EPA issues all or the vast majority of funds to the Indian Health Service for Administration.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://water.epa.gov/type/watersheds/wastewater/clean-water-indian-set-aside-grant-program.cfm

# <u>Program Name</u>: Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement Program

<u>Purpose</u>: Provides funding for eligible applicants for projects that address local environmental and public health issues within an affected community. The CPS Program is designed to help communities understand and address exposure to multiple environmental harms and risks.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Nonprofit organizations including, but not limited to, environmental justice networks; Federally recognized tribal governments; or Tribal organizations (includes American Indian/Alaska Native groups, cooperatives, partnerships, associations).

Funding Range: Up to \$120,000.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Funds enable community-based organizations to partner with stakeholders from across industry, government, academia to develop and implement solutions that will significantly address

environmental and/or public health issues at the local level. Projects must use the CPS Model, comprised of seven elements of a successful collaborative partnership, to address local environmental and/or public health issues.

Additional Information: http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/grants/ej-cps-grants.html

#### **Program Name: Environmental Justice Small Grants**

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of this grant program is to support activities designed to empower and educate communities to understand environmental and public health issues and to identify ways to address these issues at the local level. EPA anticipates awarding up to 25% of fiscal year 2015 awards to fund projects that support community climate resiliency.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Incorporated non-profit organizations including, but not limited to, environmental justice networks, faith based organizations and those affiliated with religious institutions; federally recognized tribal governments; or tribal organizations.

Funding Range: Varies (up to \$30,000).

<u>Program Activities</u>: Supports and empowers communities working on solutions to local environmental and public health issues. The program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships to help them understand and address environmental and public health concerns in their communities. Successful collaborative partnerships involve not only well-designed strategic plans to build, maintain, and sustain the partnerships, but also working towards addressing the local environmental and public health issues.

Additional Information: http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/grants/ej-smgrants.html

#### **Program Name: Indian General Assistance Program (IGAP)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Provide General Assistance Program (GAP) grants to federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia for planning, developing, and establishing environmental protection programs. The GAP program is exempt from competition, therefore, applications that meet the stated requirements in program regulations and guidance will be funded if funds are available.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: All federally recognized tribes in Region 10 are eligible to receive funds. Tribal consortia that meet the eligibility requirements may also receive funding, if available.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Typically \$75,000 - \$125,000 per year per grantee in Alaska (special projects not included).

<u>Program Activities</u>: Funding is provided under GAP for the purposes of planning, developing, and establishing tribal environmental protection programs. For example a tribe could use GAP funds to develop a climate change adaptation plan or to establish environmental protection programs that compliment non-environmental protection programs.

Activities related to establishing education, outreach, public participation, compliance assistance, and coordination programs for tribal environmental staff to work effectively with regulated entities are allowable.

Specific examples of allowable activities: climate change vulnerability/risk assessment; climate change preparedness/adaptation program (e.g., zoning rules and regulations; tax incentives; building codes/design standards; utility rates/fee setting; public safety rules and regulations); outreach and education; emergency management powers; community outreach/education programs; developing voluntary or partial environmental protection programs; participating in environmental policy making; coordinating with EPA or other federal agencies on the implementation of federal environmental protection programs; and entering into joint environmental protection programs with neighboring tribal, state, or local environmental agencies.

Additional Information: http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/TRIBAL.NSF/Grants/IGAP

#### **Program Name: Office of Water Climate Ready Water Utilities Program (CRWU)**

<u>Purpose</u>: Assists drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater utilities, in addressing climate change impacts. Through the development of practical and easy-to-use tools, EPA promotes a clear understanding of climate science and adaptation options by translating complex climate projections into accessible formats. This information helps utility owners and operators better prepare their systems for the impacts of climate change.

Eligible Applicants: All water utilities can ask for assistance.

Funding Range: No direct funding. This is a technical assistance program.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Extreme weather events, sea level rise, shifting precipitation patterns and temperature variability, all intensified by climate change, have significant implications for the sustainability of the water sector. By planning for, assessing and adapting to these challenges, the water sector can fulfill their public health and environmental missions and begin the process of becoming climate ready.

Additional Information: http://water.epa.gov/infrastructure/watersecurity/climate/index.cfm

#### **Program Name:** Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Tribal Set-Aside Program

<u>Purpose</u>: Provides grants to Indian Tribes, Alaska Native Villages, and to the State of Alaska for the benefit of the native villages. The grant funds are used to address the most significant threats to public health associated with Public Water Systems that serve Indian Tribes. Most types of projects that improve the health of the public being served by the public water system are eligible for funding, 2% of the SDWA State Revolving Fund.

<u>Eligible Applicants</u>: Any federally recognized Indian tribe is eligible to receive a project grant through the program. Eligible systems must serve tribes or Alaskan Native Villages, though they can be owned by someone other than the tribe. Private systems are also eligible.

Funding Range: Funding varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The program is planning, designing and constructing new and or improved drinking water infrastructure in various communities throughout the State of Alaska to improve the health and sanitation conditions in Alaska Native Villages. Funds may also be used to conduct project feasibility studies, engineering design work, and for project administration. EPA issues all or the vast majority of funds to the Indian Health Service for Administration.

Additional Information: http://water.epa.gov/grants\_funding/dwsrf/allotments/tribes.cfm

### Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

# <u>Program Name</u>: Administration for Children and Families (ACF) / Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Environmental Regulatory Enhancement

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide funding for the costs of planning, developing, and implementing programs designed to improve the capability of tribal governing bodies to regulate environmental quality pursuant to federal and tribal environmental laws.

Eligible Applicants: Federally recognized Indian tribes; Consortia of Indian tribes; Incorporated non-federally recognized tribes; Incorporated state-recognized tribes; Alaska Native villages, as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) and/or non-profit village consortia; Non-profit Alaska Native Regional Corporation/Associations in Alaska with village specific projects; Other tribal or village organizations or consortia of Indian tribes; and Tribal governing bodies (IRA or traditional councils) as recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Funding Range: \$300,000 per Budget Period.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The ERE program supports the principle that projects must follow tribal cultural preservation and natural resource management priorities in order to achieve environmentally healthy, sustainable Native American and Alaska Native communities. The Administration for Native Americans (ANA) is therefore interested in supporting locally designed projects that strengthen tribal environmental regulatory programs in a manner consistent with the goals of native communities. Program areas of interest for this FOA include, but are not limited to, the following:

Providing training and education to employees responsible for enforcing, or monitoring compliance with, environmental quality laws; Developing laws, regulations, and ordinances to protect the environment; Enforcing and monitoring environmental quality laws, regulations, and ordinances; Establishing baseline condition for regulatory purposes; Informing the community about regulations and environmental

stewardship; Building the technical and program capability of the tribe or organization to perform essential environmental program functions to meet tribal and federal regulatory requirements; Establishing demonstration projects to exhibit technologies, which can lead to compliance with environmental regulations.

<u>Additional Information:</u> http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/index.cfm?switch=foa&fon=HHS-2014-ACF-ANA-NR-0777

# **Program Name:** Center for Disease Control (CDC) / National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID) / Arctic Investigations Program (AIP)

<u>Purpose</u>: AIP's mission is the prevention of infectious diseases in people of the Arctic and sub-Arctic. AIP places a special emphasis on diseases of high incidence and concern among the Alaska Native and other northern indigenous peoples. AIP conducts infectious disease surveillance, evaluate prevention services, and conduct applied research in collaboration with our partners.

Eligible Applicants: N/A

Funding Range: Intramural.

<u>Program Activities</u>: AIP focuses its research on priority areas that are of regional importance. These priority areas include: Surveillance in Alaska; Elimination of health disparities; Emerging infectious diseases; Preparedness and response; Circumpolar health; Water and sanitation. Focusing on these priority areas allows AIP to achieve its mission of preventing infectious diseases in the Arctic and sub-Arctic. These research priorities also provide a platform for strong partnerships, which combine CDC subject-matter expertise with local knowledge and community involvement. By working together, AIP has become a national and international research leader.

Additional Information: http://www.cdc.gov/ncezid/dpei/aip/

# <u>Program Name</u>: CDC – National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) American Indian/Alaska Native Program

<u>Purpose:</u> Collaborate with American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities, organizations and partners to provide occupational safety and health (OSH) support.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Tribal representatives, tribal employers, or their designees in need of occupational safety and health support can contact CDC/NIOSH directly to access a variety of programs.

Funding Range: N/A

<u>Program Activities</u>: Addresses occupational safety and health in tribal communities. NIOSH provides technical expertise in OSH through field studies and investigations, conducts health hazard evaluations (HHEs) and fatality investigations, and provides resources on specific OSH topics. We can offer technical assistance (tribal representatives, tribal employers/employees, and their designees). These include Health Hazard Evaluations, Fatality Investigations, and safety program support.

Additional Information: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/

#### **Program Name: CDC –NIOSH Climate Change Initiative**

<u>Purpose</u>: Ensure current, emerging, and anticipated worker safety and health issues associated with climate change are appropriately identified and prioritized, and to determine the most important actions that are appropriate for CDC/NIOSH to address. Can provide technical assistance regarding occupational safety and health issues.

Funding Range: No direct funding, no cost for technical assistance.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Promote and coordinate intramural and extramural research, support and help facilitate other CDC/NIOSH initiatives with climate change implications, establish research priorities, recommend appropriate policies to CDC/NIOSH Leadership, interact with other agencies and organizations involved with climate change and participate on standard setting or technology development committees and work groups; Prepare and publish communication products regarding worker safety and health and climate change; Coordinate the provision of occupational safety and health related technical assistance to communities affected by climate change.

Additional Information: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/climate/default.html

# <u>Program Name</u>: National Institute of Health (NIH) / National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) Alaska Community Action on Toxics - Protecting the Health of Future Generations: Assessing and Preventing Exposures

<u>Purpose</u>: This community-based participatory research project investigates exposures to two classes of emerging endocrine-disrupting chemicals (EDCs) with the Yupik people of St. Lawrence Island (SLI) in the *Alaskan* Arctic. Exposure to POPs from both distant and local sources is a trend in the Arctic that is likely to increase due to increased global use and production of EDCs and climate warming. The aim of this exposure assessment is to provide information, ownership of data, and training for the people of SLI so that they can plan and participate in public health actions to reduce environmental health risks.

Eligible Applicants: Yupik people of St. Lawrence Island (SLI) in the Alaskan Arctic.

Funding Range: N/A

<u>Program Activities</u>: The purpose of this project is to initiate research partnerships that work in collaboration with the two Yupik villages of SLI to assess multiple exposure routes of two emerging EDCs-polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs) and perfluorinated compounds (PFCs). The project will assess exposures to PBDEs and PFCs in surface waters through analyses of contaminant levels and biomarkers for xenobiotic chemicals in the threespine stickleback fish. The research team will also analyze household dust for PBDEs and PFCs. Because the Yupik people of SLI depend on the harvest of wild foods to sustain them and their way of life, the research team will analyze levels of PBDEs and PFCs in traditional foods which are likely a major exposure pathway due to the biomagnification of POPs in marine mammals and fish that are critical components of the Yupik diet. This study will include a human

biomonitoring component in order to assess levels of PBDEs and PFCs in human blood serum in relation to measures of thyroid health.

Finally, the research team collaborates with the leadership, elders, and youth of SLI to develop measures to prevent and mitigate environmental exposures through community educational programs and public policy actions, including community-based research institutes for college credit, health fairs for all community members, and workshops for health care providers.

#### **Additional Information:**

http://tools.niehs.nih.gov/portfolio/index.cfm/portfolio/grantDetail/grant\_number/R01ES019620

#### **Program Name: NIH / NIEHS Research to Action**

<u>Purpose:</u> Bring together community members and environmental and occupational health researchers to investigate the potential health risks of environmental and occupational exposures that are of concern to the community. The overall goal is to support changes to prevent or reduce exposure to harmful environmental exposures and improve the health of a community.

Eligible Applicants: All projects must include at least one research scientist in environmental or occupational health sciences in addition to at least one member of a community-based organization (CBO) who works directly and regularly with the affected community. The partnership between the research scientist and CBO should be equitable and draw upon the unique strengths that each brings to the partnership. Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions encouraged to apply.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Direct costs must be less than \$500,000 in any year, and need to reflect actual needs of the proposed project. The maximum period is 5 years.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Data collection, translation of research into public health action, and project evaluation are all required. Information collected will be translated into public health action using a variety of strategies; applicants must develop an education, outreach, prevention or intervention program(s) designed to improve overall understanding of the problem amongst community members, healthcare professionals or policymakers and to promote actions that will prevent or reduce harmful environmental / occupational exposures and improve human health. Finally, applicants must implement an evaluation plan to assess project outputs and impacts relevant to the proposed project's goals and objectives.

#### **Additional Information:**

http://www.niehs.nih.gov/research/supported/dert/programs/peph/prog/rta/index.cfm

#### **Program Name: NIH/NIEHS The Center for Indigenous Environmental Health Research**

<u>Purpose:</u> Partner with American Indian and Alaskan Native communities to build capacity to evaluate environmental health exposures, increase environmental health literacy and resilience, and inform program and policy development. The Center's Community Engagement Core will collaborate with

American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities to develop culturally-relevant policies and assets-based programs that reinforce resilience to mitigate adverse health effects.

Eligible Applicants: N/A

Funding Range: N/A

Program Activities: The specific aims of the CEC are: 1) Dialogue: To equitably engage AI/AN stakeholders and CIEHR members for the ethical and culturally-appropriate translation and application of Center findings; 2) Knowledge: To strengthen the environmental health literacy (EHL) of AI/AN leaders, policy-makers and community members; 3) Action: To strengthen community resilience and capacity to promote environmental health in AI/AN communities on tribal lands and in urban settings; and 4) Evaluation: To assess the effectiveness of the CEC activities and contributions to the mission of the Center. The CEC will achieve the aims by utilizing long-term partnerships with tribal, rural, and urban AI/AN communities. The CEC will also build on the knowledge, lessons learned, strategies, and resources from the two established Centers located at the same institution: the Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center and Center for American Indian Resilience. All CEC strategies and activities will be informed by community-based participatory research (CBPR) principles, which have been shown to be effective in AI/AN communities. Major strategies will include: 1) guiding the development of Community Advisory Boards (CABs) for each proposed research project and pilot projects; 2) giving presentations at tribal meetings, AI/AN health events, regional forums and national conferences; 3) conducting baseline assessments of EHL, implementing EHL community interventions and testing effectiveness; 4) developing and administering CBPR training to tribal leaders, community members, and researchers; 5) identifying and implementing strategies for enhancing community assets and resilience that improve health, build community capacity, and foster policy change; and 6) conducting short, mid, and long-term evaluation of CEC activities. The CEC will collaborate with the CABs and AI/AN partners to disseminate and translate successful research outcomes to tribal leadership, local communities, regional and national AI/AN forums, and scientific audiences to reduce environmental health risks and build AI/AN resilience across the U.S.

#### Additional Information:

http://projectreporter.nih.gov/project\_info\_description.cfm?aid=8994391&icde=25964664&ddparam=&ddvalue=&ddsub=&cr=3&csb=default&cs=ASC

## Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

#### **Program Name: Community Development Block Grant**

<u>Purpose:</u> To provide funding to metropolitan cities, urban counties and states to support their housing and community development strategies to develop viable urban communities.

Eligible Applicants: Funds are allocated by formula to metropolitan cities, urban counties and States.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Annual formula grants are provided to Alaska's two CDBG grantees – the State of Alaska and the Municipality of Anchorage.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low-and moderate-income persons.

#### Additional Information:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/comm\_planning/communitydevelopment

#### **Program Name: Emergency Solutions Grants Program**

<u>Purpose</u>: To provide grant funds to State and local governments for the rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelter for the homeless, for the payment of certain expenses related to operating emergency shelters, for essential services related to emergency shelters and street outreach for the homeless, and for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing.

Eligible Applicants: The homeless, homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Annual formula grants for the State of Alaska and the Municipality of Anchorage.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelter for the homeless, for the payment of certain expenses related to operating emergency shelters, for essential services related to emergency shelters and street outreach for the homeless, and for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing.

<u>Additional Information:</u> portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprograms/esg

#### **Program Name: Indian Community Development Block Grant**

<u>Purpose:</u> Development of viable Indian and Alaska native communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Federally-recognized Tribes or Indian Organizations on behalf of Federally-recognized Tribes. For the standard ICDBG program, applicant must submit an application under the annual Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Applications for imminent threat grants are processed on a first come, first serve basis.

<u>Funding Range</u>: The Alaska Office of Native American Programs has an estimated ICDBG allocation for FY2015 of \$6,500,000 for grant awards. The ICDBG program also has a national set-aside of approximately \$3,500,000 to fund Imminent Threat applications.

<u>Program Activities</u>: The competitive ICDBG program may be used for new construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of residential units and public facilities as well as housing services, economic development projects. There is also a national set-aside for ICDBG Imminent Threat (IT) grants that are intended to alleviate or remove threats to health or safety as described at 24 CFR Part 1003, subpart E.

These grants provide a solution to problems of an urgent nature that were not evident at the time of the ICDBG Single Purpose funding grant cycle or require immediate action. These are non-competitive grants up to \$450,000 (\$900,000 for Presidentially-Declared Disasters) on a first come first serve basis. 70 percent of each grant must support activities that benefit low and moderate income persons.

#### Additional Information:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/public\_indian\_housing/ih/codetalk/fundingprogram#IHBG

#### **Program Name:** Mortgage Insurance for Disaster Victims – 203(h)

<u>Purpose:</u> This program provides mortgage insurance to protect lenders against the risk of default on mortgages to qualified disaster victims.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Eligible customers are anyone whose home has been destroyed or severely damaged in a Presidential declared disaster area.

<u>Funding Range</u>: No down payment is required. The borrower is eligible for 100 percent financing. Closing costs and applicable fees must be paid according to program requirements.

Program Activities: Insure mortgages.

<u>Additional Information:</u> portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/hudprograms/mifdv\_section203h

## <u>Program Name</u>: Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) - Indian Housing Block Grant Program

Purpose: Supports a range of affordable housing activities on Indian reservations and Indian areas.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Federally-recognized Tribes and their Tribally Designated Housing Entities are eligible to participate in this program.

<u>Funding Range</u>: Annual formula block grant to Indian Tribes and/or TDHEs. Alaska recipients received \$94,588,589 State-wide in FY 2015 for the Indian Housing Block Grant program.

<u>Program Activities</u>: IHBG funding can be used for a variety of activities including new construction, rehabilitation, acquisition, housing services, and crime prevention. The Title VI loan guarantee program can be used to leverage all the above activities with a private market loan.

#### Additional Information:

 $http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/public\_indian\_housing/ih/codetalk/fundingprogram\#IHBG$ 

#### **Program Name: Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> Provides homeownership opportunities to Native American living on trust, restricted, and simple fee land.

Eligible Applicants: Native Americans, Tribes, or Tribally Designated Housing Entities.

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: This program offers HUD approved loan guarantees to private sector lenders who make home mortgage loans to eligible participants.

#### Additional Information:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/public\_indian\_housing/ih/codetalk/fundingprogram#IHBG

#### Program Name: Title VI Loan Guarantee Program

<u>Purpose</u>: To obtain financing for up to five times the amount of the Tribe's annual NAHASDA IHBG.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Federally Recognized Tribes and their Tribally Designated Housing Entities are eligible to participate in this program.

Funding Range: Varies.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Financing can be used for any affordable housing purpose in accordance with an approved Indian Housing Plan.

#### Additional Information:

 $http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/public\_indian\_housing/ih/codetalk/fundingprogram\#IHBG$ 

## US Amy Corps of Engineers (USACE)

#### **Program Name:** Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)

<u>Purpose</u>: Plan, design, and construct certain flood risk management and navigation improvements without specific congressional authorization. The basic objective of this program is to allow the Corps to respond more quickly to problems or needs where the apparent project scope and costs are small.

Eligible Applicants: State, Local, and Tribal Governments and ANCSA Corporations.

<u>Funding Range:</u> The amount of Federal participation is limited by Congress, and varies for each individual authority, however it is typically \$5 million Federal, cost shared 65% Federal, 35% Non-Federal.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Several authorities exist under CAP which allow the Corps to assist communities with aquatic ecosystem, flood damage reduction, small navigation, and emergency streambank and shoreline protection projects. An example of the type of work supported by this program is the construction of a small revetment at Shishmaref to reduce risks of coastal erosion.

#### Additional Information:

http://planning.usace.army.mil/toolbox/agree.cfm?Id=229&Option=Continuing%20Authorities%20Program%20(CAP)&List=Process

#### **Program Name: International and Interagency Support Services**

Purpose: Planning, design, and/or construction for others.

Eligible Applicants: Federal State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

<u>Funding Range</u>: No per-project limit, all costs are born by the supported entity.

<u>Program Activities</u>: Interagency and International Services (IIS) is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) program providing technical assistance to non-Department of Defense (DoD) federal agencies, state and local governments, tribal nations, private U.S. firms, international organizations, and foreign governments. Most IIS work is funded on a reimbursable basis. The Corps provides engineering and construction services, environmental restoration and management services, research and development assistance, management of water and land related natural resources, relief and recovery work, and other management and technical services. An example of the type of work provided by this 100% stakeholder-funded program is the initiation of an adaptation study for Denali Commission looking at protect in place versus relocation for 31 communities identified by the GAO.

#### Additional Information:

http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/MilitaryMissions/InteragencyInternationalSupport.aspx

#### **Program Name: Planning Assistance to States**

<u>Purpose:</u> This program permits the Corps to use its technical planning expertise to supplement and support state and Indian tribe efforts to undertake broad, statewide, comprehensive water resources planning. Upon request, the Corps will cooperate with a state or tribe in the preparation of plans for the development, use and conservation of water and related land resources located within the state or tribal boundaries.

Eligible Applicants: State, Local, and Tribal Governments and ANCSA Corporations.

<u>Funding Range:</u> Cost shared at 50 percent federal, 50 percent non-federal. Limited to \$2 million per state or tribe annually. Individual studies generally range from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Provides assistance to states, local governments, tribes and other non-federal entities for preparation of comprehensive plans for development and conservation of water and related land

resources. Studies are planning level of detail; they do not include detailed design for project construction.

#### Additional Information:

http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/Portals/34/docs/civilworks/CAP/Section22PlanningAssistancetoStatesand Tribes.pdf (note: each Corps District has information about this program on their website).

#### **Program Name: Tribal Partnership Program**

<u>Purpose:</u> Secretary of the Army, in cooperation with Indian tribes and the heads of other Federal agencies, to study and determine the feasibility of carrying out projects that will substantially benefit Indian tribes.

Eligible Applicants: Tribal Governments and ANCSA Corporations.

Funding Range: No per-project limit, cost shared based on project purpose.

<u>Program Activities:</u> The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers can conduct studies that will substantially benefit Indian tribes. Topics that could be studied include flood damage reduction, environmental restoration and protection, preservation of natural and cultural resources, and, other projects the Secretary of the Army, in cooperation with Indian tribes and the heads of other Federal agencies, determines to be appropriate. This program provides an opportunity to assist with water resources projects that address economic, environmental and cultural resources needs.

Additional Information: http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/TribalNations.aspx

## US Department of Agriculture (USDA)

#### **Program Name: Business and Industry Loan Guarantee**

<u>Purpose:</u> Can assist rural business with construction, repairs, equipment, machinery, inventory and supplies.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> For-profit businesses, Nonprofits and cooperatives, Federally-recognized Tribes, Public bodies and Individuals in rural areas of 50,000 people or less.

<u>Funding Range:</u> \$5 – \$10 million loan limit with certain exceptions.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Eligible activities include but are not limited to: (1) business conversion, enlargement, repair, modernization, or development; (2) purchase and development of land, easements, rights-of-way, buildings, or facilities; (3) purchase of equipment, leasehold improvements, machinery, supplies, or inventory; (4) debt refinancing when new jobs will be created and other conditions are met;

(5) business and industrial acquisitions when the loan will keep the business from closing and/or save or create jobs.

Additional Information: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees/ak

#### **Program Name:** Community Facilities Loans and Grants

Purpose: Finance essential rural community facilities.

Eligible Applicants: Public bodies, non-profits, Tribes.

<u>Funding Range:</u> Grants are limited to 75% of project cost but average about \$30,000 due to limitation of funding. No loan limit.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/ak

#### **Program Name:** Electric Loans

Purpose: Build and repair electric infrastructure.

Eligible Applicants: Electric co-ops and other utilities (primarily).

Funding Range: No loan limit.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds may be used to finance electric infrastructure for: maintenance; upgrades; expansion; replacement of distribution, sub transmission and headquarters (service and warehouse) facilities; energy efficiency; and renewable energy systems.

<u>Additional Information:</u> http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/electric-infrastructure-loan-loan-guarantee-program

#### **Program Name:** Rural Business Development Grant

Purpose: Facilitate the development of small and emerging business.

Eligible Applicants: Public bodies, non-profits and tribes.

<u>Funding Range:</u> \$50,000 - 100,000 maximum grant (depending on activity type).

<u>Program Activities:</u> Congress historically has mandated a portion of this program's funding specifically for Federally Recognized Tribes.

Additional Information: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-business-development-grants/ak

#### **Program Name: Rural Energy for America Loans and Grants**

<u>Purpose:</u> Purchase or install renewable energy systems or make energy efficiency improvements.

Eligible Applicants: Agricultural producers and rural small businesses.

<u>Funding Range:</u> Loan guarantees to \$25M; Grants to \$250,000 for energy efficiency improvements or \$500,000 for renewable energy systems.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds may be used for the purchase, installation and construction of renewable energy systems, such as: Biomass (for example biodiesel and ethanol, anaerobic digesters, and solid fuels); Geothermal for electric generation or direct use; Hydropower below 30 megawatts; Hydrogen; Small and large wind generation; Small and large solar generation; Ocean (tidal, current, thermal) generation.

Funds may also be used for the purchase, installation and construction of energy efficiency improvements, such as: High efficiency heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems (HVAC); Insulation; Lighting; Cooling or refrigeration units; Doors and windows; Electric, solar or gravity pumps for sprinkler pivots; Switching from a diesel to electric irrigation motor; Replacement of energy-inefficient equipment.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency/ak

#### **Program Name:** Sewer, Water, Solid Waste Loans and Grants

<u>Purpose:</u> Provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> This program assists qualified applicants that are not otherwise able to obtain commercial credit on reasonable terms. Eligible applicants include: Most State and local governmental entities, Private non-profits and Federally-recognized Tribes.

<u>Funding Range:</u> Grants are limited to 75% of project cost. No loan limit.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds may be used to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of: drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution; sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal and closure; and storm water collection, transmission and disposal.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/ak

#### **Program Name:** Single Family Direct and Guaranteed Loans

Purpose: Finance the purchase of homes for rural residents.

Eligible Applicants: Low and very low income individuals in rural areas of 35,000 people or less.

<u>Funding Range:</u> The maximum loan amount an applicant may qualify for will depend on the applicant's repayment ability. The applicant's ability to repay a loan considers various factors such as income, debts, assets and the amount of payment assistance applicants may be eligible to receive. Regardless of repayment ability, applicants may never borrow more than the Area's Loan Limits (plus certain costs allowed to be financed) for the county in which the property is located.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds can be used to build, repair, renovate or relocate a home, or to purchase and prepare sites, including providing water and sewage facilities.

#### Additional Information:

Single Family Direct Loan: <a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-direct-home-loans/ak">http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-direct-home-loans/ak</a>

Single Family Guaranteed Loan: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-guaranteed-loan-program/ak

#### **Program Name:** Single Family Repair Loans and Grants

Purpose: Finance repair of homes.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Very low income homeowners in rural areas. Grants are only available to very-low income homeowners in rural areas that are at least 62 years old.

<u>Funding Range:</u> Loans up to \$20,000 at 1%, grants up to \$7,500. Loan grant combinations up to \$27,500 in certain circumstances.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Loans may be used to repair, improve or modernize homes or remove health and safety hazards. Grants must be used to remove health and safety hazards.

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-repair-loansgrants

#### **Program Name:** Telecom Loans

<u>Purpose:</u> This program provides financing for the construction, maintenance, improvement and expansion of telephone service and broadband in rural areas.

<u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Most entities that provide telecommunications in qualified rural areas including: State and local governmental entities, Federally Recognized Tribes, Non-profits, including Cooperatives and limited dividend or mutual association and For-profit businesses (must be a corporation or limited liability company).

Funding Range: No loan limit.

<u>Program Activities:</u> Funds may be used to finance broadband capable telecommunications service: Improvements; Expansions; Construction; Acquisitions (in certain cases); Refinancing (in certain cases).

<u>Additional Information</u>: http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/telecommunications-infrastructure-loans-loan-guarantees

## **APPENDIX E**

## Mitigation Tracking

- Mitigation Action Implementation Worksheet (Form 6-1)
- Mitigation Action Progress Report (Form 6-2)

## **MITIGATION ACTION IMPLEMENTATION WORKSHEET**

Complete a mitigation action implementation worksheet for each identified mitigation action.

Mitigation Action / Project Title:	
Background / Issues:	
Ideas for Integration:	
Responsible Agency:	
Partners:	
Potential Funding:	
Cost Estimate:	
Benefits (Losses Avoided):	
Timeline:	
Priority:	
Worksheet Completed By:	(Name / Department)

## **MITIGATION ACTION PROGRESS REPORT**

Progress Report Period:	From Date:	To Date:			
Action / Project Title:					
Responsible Agency:					
Contact Name:					
Contact Phone / Email:	Phone:	Email:			
Project Status:	☐ Project Completed				
	□ Project Canceled				
	<ul><li>Project on Schedule Anticipated completion date: _</li></ul>				
	Project Delayed Explain:				
Summary of Project Progre  1. What was accomplished for	ess for this Report Period this project during this reporting period	?			
2. What obstacles, problems, o	or delays did the project encounter, if ar	ny?			
3. If uncompleted, is the project still relevant? Should the project be changed or revised?					
4. Other Comments:					
Next Step: What is / are the next step(s) to be accomplished over the next reporting period?					

## APPENDIX F

Adoption Resolution

## **Aleknagik Traditional Council**

## Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption Resolution

WHEREAS,	, the Native Village of Aleknagik hereafter "Trib	e" is a federally recognized tribe; and
WHEREAS,	, the Aleknagik Traditional Council is the govern	ning body of the Tribe; and
WHEREAS,	, the Tribe recognizes the threat that natural haza	rds pose to people and property; and
WHEREAS,	the Tribe has prepared a tribal hazard mitigation of Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan [20 [DATE] in accordance with the Disaster Mitiga	019 – 2024] hereafter "Plan", dated
WHEREAS,	the Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions people and property in Aleknagik from the impa	
WHEREAS	adoption by the Tribe demonstrates their comm achieving the goals outlined in the Plan.	itment to the hazard mitigation and
NOW, THER	REFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribe, here  CERTIFICATION	eby adopts the Plan as an official plan.
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_	gik Traditional Council has adopted this resolution, Alaska, with a quorum present.	during a meeting held on,
For	Against Abstain Present	Absent
Signature		Date
Print Name	ne / Title	
Signature		Date
Print Name	ne / Title	

## **APPENDIX G**

FEMA Approval & THMP Plan Review Tool

## **FEMA Region 10 Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Tool**

The *Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Tool* records how the tribal mitigation plan meets the regulations in <u>44 CFR §§ 201.7</u> and <u>201.5</u> (if applicable) and offers FEMA plan reviewers an opportunity to provide feedback to the tribal government.

- **Section 1**: The <u>Regulation Checklist</u> documents FEMA's evaluation of whether the plan has addressed all requirements. If plan requirements are not met, FEMA uses each Required Revisions section to indicate necessary changes.
- **Section 2**: The <u>Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement</u> summary identifies plan's strengths as well as areas for improvement as part of the next plan update.

The FEMA mitigation planner must reference the <u>Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Guide</u> when completing the *Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Tool*.

Tribal Jurisdiction:	Title of Plan:		Date of Plan:
Native Village of Aleknagik	Native Village of Aleknagik Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan [2019 – 2024]		February 2019
Tribal Point of Contact:	-	Address:	
Ann Tinker		Aleknagik Traditional Council	
Title:		PO Box 115	
Environmental Program / IGAP		Aleknagik, Alaska 99555	
Agency:			
Aleknagik Traditional Council			
Phone Number:		Email:	
(907) 842-4407		aleknagikigap@hotmail.com	

State Reviewer (if applicable):	Title:	Date:
FEMA Reviewer:	Title:	Date:
Josh Vidmar Kate Skaggs John Schelling John.Schelling@fema.dhs.gov	CERC Planner Mitigation Champion Hazard Mitigation Planning Manager	04-08-19 04-12-19 05-02-2019
Date Received in FEMA Region 10	03-18-2019	
Plan Not Approved	05-02-2019	
Plan Approvable Pending Adoption		
Plan Approved		

### **Section 1: REGULATION CHECKLIST**

1. Standard Regulation Checklist	Location in Plan	Checklist Location in Plan		Not
Regulation (44 CFR § 201.7 Tribal Mitigation Plans)	(section and/or	Met	Met	
ELEMENT A. PLANNING PROCESS				
A1. Does the plan document the planning process, including how it was prepared and who was involved in the process? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(1)]	Sec. 3, PDF 17-22; App. A, PDF 89-114; App. B, PDF 115-176	Х		
A2. Does the plan document an opportunity for public comment during the drafting stage and prior to plan approval, including a description of how the tribal government defined "public"? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(1)(i)]	Sec. 3.3, PDF 19-12; App. A, PDF 89-114; App. B, PDF 115-176	Х		
A3. Does the plan document, as appropriate, an opportunity for neighboring communities, tribal and regional agencies involved in hazard mitigation activities, agencies that have the authority to regulate development as well as other interests to be involved in the planning process? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(1)(ii)]	Sec. 3.3.1, PDF 21-22; App. B, PDF 115-176	х		
A4. Does the plan describe the review and incorporation of existing plans, studies, and reports? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(1)(iii)]	Sec. 8, PDF 73-75	х		
A5. Does the plan include a discussion on how the planning process was integrated to the extent possible with other ongoing tribal planning efforts as well as other FEMA programs and initiatives? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(1)(iv)]	Sec. 3.4, PDF 22-23	х		
A6. Does the plan include a description of the method and schedule for keeping the plan current (monitoring, evaluating and updating the mitigation plan within the plan update cycle)? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(4)(i)]	Sec. 8, PDF 73-75; App. C, PDF 177-183	Х		
A7. Does the plan include a discussion of how the tribal government will continue public participation in the plan maintenance process? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(4)(iv)]	Sec. 3.5, PDF 23	х		

**ELEMENT A: REQUIRED REVISIONS** 

1. Standard Regulation Checklist	Location in Plan	Met	Not
Regulation (44 CFR § 201.7 Tribal Mitigation Plans)	(section and/or	Wice	Met
ELEMENT B. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT			
B1. Does the plan include a description of the type, location, and extent	Community Profile:	<u> </u>	
	Sec. 2, PDF 13-15;		
of all natural hazards that can affect the tribal planning area? [44 CFR §	Risk Assessment:		
201.7(c)(2)(i)]	Sec. 5, PDF 29-33		
	Earthquake:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 33-37		
	Extreme		
	Temperatures:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 38-40		Х
	Severe Wind:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 41-42		
	Sev. Winter Weather:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 44-45		
	Wildfire:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 35-39		
	Maps:		
	Figures, PDF 79-86		
B2. Does the plan include information on previous occurrences of	Earthquake:		
hazard events and on the probability of future hazard events for the	Sec. 5, PDF 34-38		
tribal planning area? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(2)(i)]	Extreme		
tribut platfilling area: [44 ci ft 3 201.7(c)(2)(i)]	Temperatures:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 39-41		
	Severe Wind:	Х	
	Sec. 5, PDF 43		
	Sev. Winter Weather:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 44-45		
	Wildfire:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 49-50		
B3. Does the plan include a description of each identified hazard's	Earthquake:		
impact as well as an overall summary of the vulnerability of the tribal	Sec. 5, PDF 34-38		
planning area? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(2)(ii)]	Extreme		
	Temperatures:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 38-40		
	Severe Wind:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 41-43		
	Sev. Winter Weather:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 44	Х	
	Wildfire:		
	Sec. 5, PDF 45-46		
	Community Assets:		
	Sec. 5.2, PDF 50-52		
	Risk Analysis:		
	Sec. 5.3, PDF 52-58		
	Vulnerability:		
	Sec. 5.4, PDF 59		

#### 1. Standard Regulation Checklist

**Location in Plan** 

Met

Not Met

Regulation (44 CFR § 201.7 Tribal Mitigation Plans)

(section and/or

#### **ELEMENT B: REQUIRED REVISIONS**

<u>Element B1:</u> The Modified Mercalli Scale is used to show a map of Bristol Bay's exposure to earthquakes. However, the Scale itself is not provided with a description of the damages that can occur at each magnitude. Provide this additional information to meet this requirement.

ELEMENT C. MITIGATION STRATEGY			
C1. Does the plan include a discussion of the tribal government's pre-	T		
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and post-disaster hazard management policies, programs, and			
capabilities to mitigate the hazards in the area, including an evaluation	Sec. 6.1, PDF 61-63		Х
of tribal laws and regulations related to hazard mitigation as well as to			
development in hazard-prone areas? [44 CFR §§ 201.7(c)(3) and			
201.7(c)(3)(iv)]			
C2. Does the plan include a discussion of tribal funding sources for			
hazard mitigation projects and identify current and potential sources of	Sec. 6.2, PDF 63-65;	Х	
Federal, tribal, or private funding to implement mitigation activities?	App. D, PDF185-228	^	
[44 CFR §§ 201.7(c)(3)(iv) and 201.7(c)(3)(v)]			
C3. Does the Mitigation Strategy include goals to reduce or avoid long-	Sec. 6.3, PDF 65	x	
term vulnerabilities to the identified hazards? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(3)(i)]	Sec. 6.3, PDF 65	^	
C4. Does the plan identify and analyze a comprehensive range of			
specific mitigation actions and projects being considered to reduce the	Sec. 6.5, PDF 67;		х
effects of each hazard, with emphasis on new and existing buildings	App. A, PDF 109-110		^
and infrastructure? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(3)(ii)]			
C5. Does the plan contain an action plan that describes how the actions	Sec. 6.4, PDF 64-65;		
identified will be prioritized, implemented, and administered by the	Sec. 6.5, PDF 65-66;	Х	
tribal government? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(3)(iii)]	App. A, PDF 109-110		
C6. Does the plan describe a process by which the tribal government	C C C DD5 CC		
will incorporate the requirements of the mitigation plan into other	Sec. 6.6, PDF 69; App. E, PDF 229-233	Х	
planning mechanisms, when appropriate? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(4)(iii)]	лур. L, FDF 223-233		
C7. Does the plan describe a system for reviewing progress on			
achieving goals as well as activities and projects identified in the	Sec. 6.5, PDF 67;		
mitigation strategy, including monitoring implementation of mitigation	Sec. 6.7, PDF 69;	Х	
measures and project closeouts? [44 CFR §§ 201.7(c)(4)(ii) and	App. E, PDF 229-233		
201.7(c)(4)(v)]			

#### **ELEMENT C: REQUIRED REVISIONS**

<u>Element C1.</u> The plan does not describe how the existing capabilities can be expanded upon to further address mitigation. Include additional information to fulfill this requirement.

<u>Element C4.</u> Mitigation actions are not presented for each hazard identified in the plan, including Extreme Temperatures, Severe Wind, and Severe Winter Weather. Please provide mitigation actions for all the hazards that were identified as priorities for the Village.

1. Standard Regulation Checklist	Location in Plan	Met	Not
Regulation (44 CFR § 201.7 Tribal Mitigation Plans)	(section and/or	Met	Met
ELEMENT D. PLAN UPDATES			
		<del>                                     </del>	
D1. Was the plan revised to reflect changes in development? [44 CFR § 201.7(d)(3)]	N/A	Х	
D2. Was the plan revised to reflect progress in tribal mitigation efforts? [44 CFR §§ 201.7(d)(3) and 201.7(c)(4)(iii)]	N/A	Х	
D3. Was the plan revised to reflect changes in priorities? [44 CFR § 201.7(d)(3)]	N/A	Х	
ELEMENT D: REQUIRED REVISIONS	1	<u>j</u>	<u> </u>
ELEMENT E. ASSURANCES AND PLAN ADOPTION			
E1. Does the plan include assurances that the tribal government will			
comply with all applicable Federal statutes and regulations in effect			
with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding,			
including 2 CFR Parts 200 and 3002, and will amend its plan whenever	Sec. 7, PDF 71		
necessary to reflect changes in tribal or Federal laws and statutes? [44			
CFR § 201.7(c)(6)]			
E2. Does the plan include documentation that it has been formally			
adopted by the governing body of the tribal government requesting	Sec. 7, PDF 71;		
approval? [44 CFR § 201.7(c)(5)]	App. F, PDF 235-239		
ELEMENT E: REQUIRED REVISIONS			
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#### SECTION 2: STRENGTHS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT

#### A. Plan Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement

This section provides a discussion of the strengths of the plan document and identifies areas where these could be improved beyond minimum requirements.

#### **Element A: Planning Process**

#### **Plan Strengths**

- Scans of the original meeting materials, including agendas, meeting minutes, and signin sheets are included as an appendix to the plan. This helps to validate the information provided in the body of the plan.
- Even though the planning process was very condensed, it was thorough and incorporated members from throughout the community.

#### **Opportunities for Improvement**

 The planning process was relatively short. If possible for future updates, try to hold additional meetings over a longer period of time to allow people more time to contribute to the plan's development. However, given the remote location, this may be possible.

#### **Element B: Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment**

#### **Plan Strengths**

- The color-coded system of relative strength and probability is quick and easy to understand which hazards are considered the highest priority for the Village.
- Table 5-5 provides a good explanation for the hazards chosen for the plan. For those that are no priorities for the community, there is a clear and concise explanation.
- Table 5-14 is a great way to show which hazards each critical facility is vulnerable to.

#### **Opportunities for Improvement**

- The hazard profiles are relatively short and don't relate well back to other information
  in the plan, such as the community profile or mitigation strategy. In future drafts of the
  plan, link this information more closely. The more information about how hazards can
  affect the community, as well as how they have affected it, is always better. Try to be
  as specific as possible about impacts.
- For historical events, describe how these specifically impacted the area, including any damages or injuries that occurred as a result.

#### **Element C: Mitigation Strategy**

#### **Plan Strengths**

- The community analyzed multiple mitigation actions, prioritizing a few out of the group.
- The project implementation worksheets in the appendix provide a quick and efficient way to keep track of projects during the plan's lifetime.

#### **Opportunities for Improvement**

- Some of the actions identified in the Mitigation Strategy are more preparednessfocused than mitigation. In future drafts, consider revising these to be more focused on mitigation.
- As mitigation projects are completed, think about adding a section to the plan that talks about their relative successes or lessons learned during the implementation process.

#### Element D: Plan Update, Evaluation, and Implementation (Plan Updates Only)

#### **Plan Strengths**

• N/A. This is a new plan.

#### **Opportunities for Improvement**

• N/A. This is a new plan.