

Alaska Tribal Resilience Learning Network



2023 Looking Forward, Looking Back: Strengthening Resilience Today Community Leadership Team Application

Overview

Our land and waters are changing rapidly and our Elders, Tribes and Youth express the need to prepare, work together and respond, to take care of the land, ourselves and the coming generations. Our Elders remind us to listen to our intuition, our stories and think of what our animals, fish, birds and the plant relations are going through on our traditional lands.

The Alaska Tribal Resilience Learning Network invites your community to apply for a forthcoming training series that includes a community-based workshop to assist with planning for and responding to impacts from climate change. The Looking Forward, Looking Back: Strengthening Resilience Today (SRT) training series will support communities taking steps to address local issues and concerns related to our warming Alaskan climate. Community leadership interested in building their collective understanding of a rapidly changing Alaskan climate are encouraged to apply as a team. While there is no cost for the training series, we stress that community team members commit to fully attending and participating in all training and be open to working together as a community team and with the broader project facilitator team.

Goals

This training series builds upon Indigenous and place-based knowledge of participating communities, and includes the following goals:

- Explore what it means to strengthen resilience and promote wellness in climate change community adaptation and decision making through various frameworks including, Just Transition and Decolonization
- Increase understanding of local-to-global climate change and impacts, adaptation, root causes and action
- Explore climate impacts on traditional territories and current land use areas through the lens of healthy land and waters, including animals, plant and bird life
- Increase tribal community engagement, working across teams and generations
- Compile a community report with each participating tribal community for use in community planning, public comments, or grant applications
- Expand climate communication skills with tribal community team

Application Deadline

April 10th- by Email

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Notice of Acceptance - April 7th



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Travel Scholarships Available

Interested teams are required to apply and be accepted to participate. Successful community team applicants will receive travel scholarships which include; mileage, airfare, lodging, per diem and incidental expenses.

Partners

The trainings are a collaborative project developed by Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS), the Alaska Tribal Resilience Learning Network under the Alaska Climate Adaptation Science Center (AK CASC), the Alaska Center for Climate and Arctic Policy (ACCAP), the Scenarios Network for Alaska + Arctic Planning (SNAP) and the International Arctic Research Center (IARC). These trainings are sponsored by a grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Climate Resilience Program.

Target Training Dates and Locations

Training 1: Fairbanks, 2.5 Days

Date: May 23-25, 2023

Community Visits: On-site for each community

Date: May - November 2023 TBD by community

Training 2: Fairbanks, 2.5 Days

Date: TBD between January- February of 2024.

Community Report Review: Anchorage or

Fairbanks, 2 days

Date: April-May 2024

Optional: Community Leadership teams will be encouraged to attend additional trainings or conferences as a group that can support climate adaptation.

Participant Commitment

- Actively participate in the two Strengthening Resilience Today training sessions and check-in calls with the SRT cohort.
- Collaborate and share ideas with other participants.
- Help coordinate, design and host a local public workshop(s) in your community with the training teams.
- Contribute and provide guidance for a community report.

Organizer Commitment

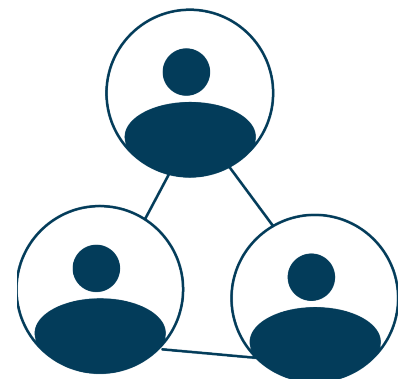
- Encourage a supportive and respectful learning environment
- Assist with broadening community engagement at the local level with the community leadership teams
- Contribute to the development of each community report with community leadership teams
- Carry out a project evaluation for collective learning and respond to participant feedback

Community Teams

We will work with five (5) Alaskan communities to support mutual learning and build upon their respective traditional and place-based knowledge. The community leadership team will include a minimum of two, or up to four (2 - 4), individuals from each of the successful applicant communities.

Community leadership team members can include a combination of :

- Alaska Native Tribal council leaders
- ANCSA village corporation leaders
- City Council members
- Interested Elders or Youth (ages 18 - 25)
- Cultural Experts
- Key Staff: including, but not limited to Tribal council members, environmental coordinators, or tribal administrators General, resource, or land managers within village corporations City administrator or mayor



Community Report

Participating community teams will have the opportunity to complete a community report with support from TRLN staff. This report will be co-development with the community team and will compile information on climate issues relevant to each community. This document may also include Indigenous Knowledge and practices, as decided by community leadership, that can help inform climate adaptation priorities and actions. We will work with the community leadership team to determine when and how to best organize and get the word out for broader community participation and involvement.

Free, Prior, and Informed Consent

The community report will follow the principles of Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) as stated in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

Report Review

- Tribal and community entities will have the opportunity to review the report before publication.
- Tribal and community entities will have the ability to withdraw any information up to publication of the report.

With prior approval by the partnering Tribe and/or community entities, any community report that includes a United States Geological Survey employee will require review by the USGS. The review will only focus on the western climate science aspects of the report. No judgment or review of the Indigenous Knowledge will be considered during the review. This review process will be discussed with the partnering Tribe and community entities. A Tribal resolution showing that the Tribe agrees to the report and review process will be requested as part of co-creating and developing the community report.

Within this project, an opportunity to develop an academic journal article may arise. Participants would have the opportunity to participate in the preparation of the article. The point of developing a journal article would be to share lessons about this product with a broader community.

For more information please email:

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or

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DEADLINE TO RETURN APPLICATION - April 10, 2023

Community Name

Date

**Looking Forward, Looking Back: Strengthening Resilience Today
Community Team Application Questions**

This portion is required: Please completely fill out this form to apply to attend the full series of trainings and local workshops. Please try and get input from all team members that are applying.

1) Has anyone in your community or organization, such as a tribal environmental coordinator or local leader, attended a climate change adaptation training in the past three or four years? If so, who and what were the approximate dates of the training?

2) Has your community and/or tribe started to develop a tribal climate change adaptation plan or included climate considerations in ongoing planning efforts?

Yes No

a. If yes, what stage of planning are you in? (circle one)

- Early
- Mid-Way
- Completed
- Not Applicable

b. If not, what do you think are the reasons your community has not completed a plan?

3) If given the opportunity, would you like to work towards obtaining a student intern to assist your Community Leadership Team with your community's report or another identified activity?

Yes No

4) Have the members of your proposed community team previously partnered or are currently working together on any local issue or project?

5) What motivates your Community Leadership Team to attend?

6) What are your worries, fears, or uncertainties around talking about climate change, if any?

7) What do you hope to learn from this training series?

8) Any additional comments (training date conflicts, travel info, food allergies, dietary restriction, etc.).

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REQUIRED: Teams range between two (2) to four (4) applicants. Each team must have at least one tribal leader or key staff member (chief, chairperson or council member, tribal environmental or natural resource staff member), and one community or staff member (tribal administrator or tribal environmental staff, ANCSA village corporation board member and/or interested long-term community member). The number of people that will be accepted to attend the training series from each village will be dependent on project funding and successful community applicants.

Please list the names of the other people that are part of your leadership team. The name(s) you put down must be the full legal name. We must book your airline ticket with the name that appears on your ID or license that you will be traveling with. It must match exactly.

Additionally, a completed traveler profile is **REQUIRED** for each team member. This is needed to make travel arrangements.

Travel Assistance Checklist:

- If selected, NAFWS will pay travel costs for applicants that apply for the assistance which includes arranging and purchasing travel (airfare, hotel and/or vehicle mileage) for accepted applicants.
- Selection will be based on the submitted application, with potential follow-up email or phone contact if needed.
- While en route to the camp, travel assistance recipients may share a hotel room with another team participant of the same gender from their community, and **are responsible for their own meals**. Meals at the training will be provided and other expenses are not reimbursable.

Members Applying:

1) Lead Tribal Team Member - Main Contact

Full Name:	Organization you represent:	Role in community:

Travel Assistance: Please complete the following section for travel assistance. Travel dates may include the day before and/or the day following the training, depending on routes. If you need an additional travel day due to weather or time of year, please state that in the comment area. You may also include your preferred airline for traveling out of/into your community.

I am applying for assistance for arranged air travel: Yes ___ No ___

I am applying for lodging while in route to/from training due to travel times: Yes ___ No ___

I have other lodging with family or friends ___

I understand that NAFWS's travel policy requires receiving a copy of any receipts related to lodging, approved parking and transportation. Initials: _____

Comments:

2) Team Member 2

Full Name:	Organization you represent:	Role in community:
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Comments:

3) Team Member 3

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Comments:

4) Alternate or additional team member

Full Name:	Organization you represent:	Role in community:
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Comments:

NATIVE AMERICAN FISH AND WILDLIFE

TRAVEL REQUEST FORM 1

*Full NAME as it appears on your Gov't issued ID: _____

*Date of Birth: _____

*Gender: _____

*E-Mail Address: _____

*PHONE #: _____

Please note: All fields above marked with * are required by TSA as of March 1, 2009. Screening is conducted without regard to a person's race, color, sex, gender, gender identity, national origin, religion, or disability

Any Personal Travel Time being taken? Yes___ No___

If yes, then 2 separate quotes must be provided: one with business dates and the other with business + personal time.

DEPARTING CITY & NEAREST AIRPORT: _____

DESTINATION: _____ FREQUENT FLIER NUMBER: _____

DATE OF DEPARTURE: _____ TIME OF DAY: _____ SEATING PREFERENCE: _____

DATE OF RETURN: _____ TIME OF DAY: _____

AIRFARE: \$ _____ ACCOUNT CODE TO BE CHARGED _____

ESTIMATED LODGING COSTS PER NIGHT: \$ _____

NUMBER OF DAYS FOR MEALS (staff will supply correct rate): _____

RENTAL CAR/GAS/PARKING: \$ _____

UBER/LYFT/SHUTTLE: \$ _____

POV/MILEAGE/PARKING: \$ _____
Mileage reimbursed @ \$0.655/mile

OTHER COSTS (specify): \$ _____

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION AS IT RELATES TO THE FUNDING SOURCE:

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I acknowledge by receiving this Travel Request, the following conditions apply:

1. Failure to submit a signed Travel authorization form, if authority is granted through other communications, will result in non-approval of future travel requests.
2. **Any changes to your itinerary need pre-approval by NAFWS.**
3. **Any airline upgrades are at the individual's expense.**
4. **All incidentals are the responsibility of the individual, including the required deposit for your room.**

Signature

Date

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

Supervisor

Date

Executive Director

Date

NATIVE AMERICAN FISH AND WILDLIFE

TRAVEL REQUEST FORM 2

*Full NAME as it appears on your Gov't issued ID: _____

*Date of Birth: _____

*Gender: _____

*E-Mail Address: _____

*PHONE #: _____

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TRAVEL REQUEST FORM 3

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*Gender: _____

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TRAVEL REQUEST FORM 4

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*Date of Birth: _____

*Gender: _____

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*PHONE #: _____

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