COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY PROFILE: ALAKANUK

Location: Part of the Lower Yukon Subregion. Located at the east entrance of Alakanuk Pass, the major southern channel of the Yukon River, 15 mi from the Bering Sea. Part of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge. It lies 162 air miles northwest of Bethel. It is the longest village on the lower Yukon. Approximately 25 homes are threatened by erosion.

Language: Central Yup'ik

Historical Setting: Alakanuk is a Yup'ik word meaning "wrong way," aptly applied to a village on this maze of watercourses. It was originally settled by a Yup'ik shaman named Anguksuar and his family. A Catholic mission school was built near the village. A post office was established in 1946.

Climate: Alakanuk falls within the transitional climate zone, characterized by tundra interspersed with boreal forests, and weather patterns of long, cold winters and shorter, warm summers. Heavy winds are frequent during the fall and winter.

Access: Air service is available year-round. Fishing boats, skiffs, snow machines, and ATVs are used by residents for local travel. The Yukon River is used as an ice road during freeze-up, from November through May. The current dock is area subject to erosion. Barges deliver goods during the summer months via the Yukon River.

Cultural Resources: Alakanuk is a Yup'ik Eskimo village active in commercial fishing and subsistence. The importation, sale and possession of alcohol is banned.

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Demographics / Housing					
Poverty Rate 22.4% 2000		2010			74.59%
Total Population			Median Household Income		\$33,750
Median Age of Total Population			Denali Commission Distressed Community		Yes
Average Household Size		-			94.98%
					Housing Authority
					Economic Factors
			•		1 operator, 1 alternate
operated by AVEC, PCE subsidized			.		
		Would like to increase capacity			
Yukon Fisheries Development Assn.			150,000 Heating Oil, 150,000 Gasoline		
Water & Sanitation					
System Type			Number of served	Notes	Economic Factors
nuk Surface source, circulating system		145 connections	Energy Audit completed	2-6 employees	
Health					
Description			Notes		Economic Factors
Health Clinic			No improvements scheduled.		4 employees
Education					
Description			Number of Students		Economic Factors
K-12 School and Head Start			215 (17 teachers)		28 employees
•			Transportation		
			Notes		
Gravel airport, fair condition			General aviation airport		
Dock at risk from erosion			Fuel, Goods, Materials		
Landfill					
Description			Notes		
Permitted, Class III			Improper burn, lack of management.		
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