



## Alaska Climate Change Strategy

### Introduction to ICF International Team and Adaptation Facilitators

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### ICF International: Climate Change

- A leading policy, technology and management consulting firm providing advisory and program implementation services to public & private sector
- Over 3,000 employees worldwide, including 15 US offices
- Over 250 professionals working on climate change
- Industry expertise: power sector, oil & gas, chemicals, aluminum, aviation, transport, and high GWP gases
- Current federal and state government support:
  - US GHG inventory
  - Analytical and research support for both mitigation and adaptation
  - Federal voluntary programs
  - State and regional climate support – RGGI, WCI, MGA, CA (A.B. 32), WA Dept of Ecology, HI CC strategy, and other initiatives

### ICF Coordinating Staff: Experience in Adaptation and Mitigation

- Randy Freed, Senior Vice President
  - Leader of ICF's Climate and Energy Policy Group
  - Impacts and adaptation for water resources, ecosystems, land use, and infrastructure
  - GHG inventories and mitigation
  - Project advisor
- Dr. Fran Sussman, Senior Technical Expert and Economist
  - Almost two decades of experience in climate change mitigation and adaptation
  - Economic and policy analysis includes market-based approaches to environmental protection, welfare and economic impacts of climate change, the use of economic models, and analysis of priorities for adaptation and decision support
  - Co-Project lead

### ICFI Coordinating Staff: Experience in Adaptation and Mitigation (cont.)

- Melinda Harris, Lead Economist for Climate Change
  - Climate impacts work for EPA, USDOT, and USAID
  - Mitigation experience includes developing Marginal Abatement Cost (MAC) curves
  - Numerous projects focused on power and fuel markets and the oil and gas industry domestically and internationally

### Adaptation Facilitators

- Dr. Kristie L. Ebi – Co-facilitator for Health and Culture
  - Has been conducting research on the climate impacts and adaptation to extreme events, thermal stress, foodborne diseases, and vector borne diseases for over a decade
  - Widely published in the field of climate change and health
  - Provided support to the development of Maryland's health adaptation strategy
- Dr. Jason Vogel, Stratus Consulting – Co-facilitator for Health and Culture
  - Has worked extensively on climate change adaptation, including work for the World Bank, the UNDP, USEPA, and the state of Alaska

### Adaptation Facilitators

- Nancy Tosta, Ross & Associates Environmental Consulting, Ltd., Seattle, WA
  - Economic Activities TWG
  - 30 years of experience in policy and scientific analysis, intergovernmental coordination, information management, and geographic information systems (GIS)
  - Skilled facilitator, and has held executive positions at regional, state, and federal government agencies

### **Adaptation Facilitators: New to the Process**

- Jan Caulfield of Jan Caulfield Consulting, a Juneau-based firm offering facilitation, planning, and public involvement services
  - Natural Systems TWG
  - 26 years experience in design and facilitation of public and government processes
  - Extensive experience in facilitating processes addressing Alaska's natural systems, including fisheries, wildlife, coastal management and forestry
  - Has held Environmental Conservation and Community development positions with state and local government in Alaska

### **Adaptation Facilitators: New to the Process (cont.)**

- Barbara Sheinberg, of Sheinberg Associates, a Juneau-based firm
  - Public Infrastructure TWG
  - 26 years experience specializing in facilitation of community meetings and public involvement, and community, strategic, and land use planning
  - Facilitates meetings of federal, state and local government agencies as well as other governments
  - Has completed projects ranging from coastal, master, and comprehensive plans, and analysis of transportation, infrastructure, tourism, and recreation issues.
  - Has held position in planning and as an exploration geologist with state and local governments and the private sector in Alaska

### **For more info ...**

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