

Immediate Action Workgroup Agenda

Department of Environmental Conservation

555 Cordova Street,

First Floor Conference Room

August 27, 2008, 1:00 – 4:30 pm

- **Open / Welcome / Introductions (1:00 – 1:10 pm)**
- **Review Agenda (1:10 – 1:15 pm)**
- **Discussion regarding change to Immediate Action Workgroup, Membership and Co-ordination with other Workgroups (1:15 – 2:00 pm)**
 - Mission - The Group will review its mission regarding continued work with Kivalina, Shishmaref, Shaktoolik, Unalakleet, Newtok/Mertarvik and Koyukok. The Group will also define its mission in regards to other Alaska communities that might be facing imminent threats to life, health, the environment, critical infrastructure or services, or valuable public and private property due in-part to a changing climate.
 - Representation – Given the mission of the IAWG, discuss the need to have other agencies either represented on the IAWG or coordinating with it. As part of this discussion, review plans to convene (perhaps through the Denali Commission) a “roundtable” meeting this fall of federal and state agencies to discuss their interests.
 - Coordination with other Climate Change Sub-cabinet Workgroups – Discuss beneficial co-ordination with the Adaptation Advisory Workgroup and the five Technical Workgroups assisting the Sub-cabinet in developing recommendations for Alaska’s Climate Change Strategy. These workgroups are primarily considering broader statewide policy recommendations, rather than focusing on the immediate needs of particular communities.
- **Status of On-going Coastal Erosion and Flood Protection Planning and Projects (2:00 – 3:00 pm)**

This will include a discussion, by listed community, of the planning and construction projects underway or being considered by the agencies on the IAWG. This discussion will also include identifying related projects or activities the IAWG believes other agencies should consider to help address the immediate climate needs of these communities. Needed projects or activities that are not covered by existing funding will be discussed further under “Priorities and Budget Needs.”

- Kivalina
- Shishmaref
- Unalakleet
- Newtok
- Shaktoolik
- Koyukok

BREAK 3:00 – 3:15 pm (see page 2)

- **Processes for Identifying Other Alaska Communities with Potential Immediate Action Needs (3:15 – 3:30 pm)**
 - Information from DCCED planning grant process
 - List being developed by DMVA/DEMHS
 - USACE survey of approx 180 communities
 - GAO Update of its 2003 Report

- **Priorities and Potential Budget Needs for SFY 2010 (3:30 – 4:00 pm)**
 - Summarize priorities and potential budget needs for listed six listed communities and any other communities with identified immediate action needs
 - Tools to enhance collaboration among communities and agencies

- **Public Comment (4:00 pm – 4:30 pm)**

- **Close Meeting**