

2023 Bristol Bay Sustainability Summit

Agenda & Speaker Details

March 23 - Day 1

Presenter Name	Organization	Contact Information	Presentation Title	Presentation Description:
AlexAnna Salmon	Igiugig Village Council	alexannasalmon@gmail.com 907-533-3211	Keynote Address	Keynote Address
Shanna Zuspan, Tanya Iden	Principal::Owners, Agnew::Beck Consulting	Shanna Zuspan shanna@agnewbeck.com & Tanya Iden tanya@agnewbeck.com 907-222-5424	Community Development Through Community Planning	Recent federal legislation resulted in more money available for infrastructure and economic development than there has been in the past decade. In order to access that critical funding, communities must be able to pursue grants and funding sources that rely on demonstrating a current and comprehensive community plan. This presentation will provide participants with a primer on updating their community plan and then using that to pursue funding. Sources of technical assistance will be described.
Erin Reinders	Alaska Municipal League	907-568-1325 erin@akml.org	Resources for Tribal and Municipal Governments	The Alaska Municipal League provides multiple forms of technical resources and assistance to aid local governments with grant writing.
Brenda Akelkok	Bristol Bay Housing Authority, Executive Director	907-842-5956 bakelkok@bbha.org	Housing and Urban Development	Bristol Bay Housing Authority's (BBHA) mission is to eliminate substandard housing conditions through the development of local capacities that will provide safe, decent and affordable housing opportunities for Native population of Bristol Bay.
Daniel Delfino	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation	907-338-6100 ddelfino@ahfc.us	Access to safe, quality, affordable housing in Alaska	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation's mission is to provide Alaskans access to safe, quality, affordable housing.
George Larsen	BBAHC, Environmental Health Department Manager	907-842-3673 glarsen@bbahc.org	Water & Sewer Infrastructure Planning	Benefits of planning water and sewer infrastructure in advance, possible sources of funding, and how BBAHC Environmental Health can be involved to assist.
Victoria Jelderks	ANTHC DEHE, Senior Project Manager	503-896-6265 vajelderks@anthc.org	Sanitation Infrastructure and ANTHC Community Assistance	Sanitation in rural communities is an important aspect to ensure that Alaska Native people are the healthiest people in the world. This presentation will examine the different aspects of rural sanitation and how ANTHC Division of Environmental Health & Engineering (DEHE) can assist the communities of Bristol Bay.
Erik OBrien	Denali Commission	907-271-1414 eobrien@Denali.gov	Infrastructure Funding Strategy	Discussion of Denali Commission programs and tools to help unlock funding.
Judy Chapman	State of AK DOT&PF, Deputy Director of Planning	907-748-3137 judy.chapman@alaska.gov	DOT/PF projects	Learn about DOT/PF project development, partnerships and funding programs.
Erin Reinders	Alaska Municipal League	907-568-1325 erin@akml.org	Update on federal infrastructure opportunities	BIL and what is available now and what we can expect down the road.
Romina Bentz	Bristol Bay Native Corporation, Vice President Government Contracting	907-278-3602 rbentz@bbnc.net	BBNC 8(a) Program	The Small Business 8(a) Program and how it works.
Julie Woodworth & Madison Binkley	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital	Julie Woodworth jwoodworth@alaskagrowth.com & Madison Binkley mbinkley@alaskagrowth.com 907- 339-6760	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital is an innovative alternative lending company, created to promote economic development and job creation by providing loans, investments, and management assistance to businesses.
Sandra Holst	Alaska Division of Investments	907-465-2510 sandee.holst@alaska.gov	Alaska Division of Investments Business Development Resources	The Alaska Division of Investments administers several state loan programs. Many residents are aware of the commercial fisheries related loan programs and may not be aware that there are also loan programs intended to provide private sector employment by financing the start-up and expansion of businesses that will create significant long-term employment in Alaska.
Jon Bittner	Alaska Small Business Development Center	907-786-7201 jon.bittner@aksbdc.org	AKSBDC Resources for small business development	Small businesses provide jobs and put money into the local community. The AKSBDC can be a source of resources, advice and assistance to establish and successfully grow a business.
Annie & Todd Fritze	Fritze Furs	907-843-2063 afritze@bbnc.net	Small Business Panel	Traditional Alaska Native hand sewn fur hats, mittens, slippers, and more.
JD Bennis	JD Sales & Services	907-843-2646 wrbennis@gmail.com	Small Business Panel	Local Wood Working & Milling
JJ Larson	Triple L Repair, part owner	907-843-2997 jonjeremy123@gmail.com	Small Business Panel	Automotive Repair
Kyrstin Arellano	Bristol Bayking	907-843-1827 kyrstin@bristolbayking.com	Small Business Panel	Bristol Bayking is a home bakery specializing in French Macarons, Cakes, and Cupcakes.

Eric Goddard and Chandler Kemp	University of Alaska Bristol Bay Campus, Assistant Professors of Sustainable Energy	Eric Goddard 907-842-5109 esgoddard01@alaska.edu & Chandler Kemp 907-842-5109 ckemp6@alaska.edu	UAF Sustainable Energy Program and Our Community	In this presentation we will highlight the upcoming opportunities to learn about sustainable energy through the Bristol Bay Campus, describe our capacity to support grant writing efforts for local projects, and invite suggestions for improving how we serve the Bristol Bay Region.
Brian Hirsch	DeerStone Consulting, CEO	907-299-0268 deerstoneconsulting.com	Clean Energy Development In Bristol Bay and Beyond	This presentation will cover some energy initiatives and opportunities occurring in Bristol Bay and across Alaska. Focus will be on renewable energy projects, community utility efforts, and state and federal funding.
Will Chaney	Nushagak Cooperative	907-842-5251 wchaney@nushagak.coop	Nuyakuk Hydro Electric Project Update	An update on the Nuyakuk Hydro concept including the preliminary study season of '22, and an update on the initial study season of '23.
Madison Binkley, Julie Woodworth	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital	Madison Binkley mbinkley@alaskagrowth.com & Julie Woodworth jwoodworth@alaskagrowth.com 907-339-6760	Small Business Development Resources	McKinley Alaska Growth Capital is an innovative alternative lending company, created to promote economic development and job creation by providing loans, investments, and management assistance to businesses.
Annie Fritze	BBNC	907-843-2063 afritze@bbnc.net	Caliaq Program- Regional Youth Employment Program	Presentation of new regional youth workforce program and opportunity for regional partners to be involved in creating youth work opportunity.
Kristina Andrew	BBNA	907-842-6223 krandrew@bbna.com	Ciulistet Program- Young Leaders Program	An overview of the implementation of the Ciulistet Emerging Leaders Internship Program. A program designed to help young adults in and from Bristol Bay prepare for leadership opportunities through internships, learning exchanges, team building, and connections to culture.
Laura Zimin	Assistant Professor UAF Professor Tribal Governance Program	907-842-8361 llzimin@alaska.edu	UAF Bristol Bay Campus Tribal Governance Program	Overview of the UAF Tribal Governance Program that offers culturally-responsive, place-based curriculum, trainings, and workshops focused on: Tribal governance and law, stewardship, administration and management, policy and advocacy, and Tribal economies.
Carol Wren, Casey Sifsof	BBNC WFD	Carol Wren cwren@bbnc.net & Casey Sifsof csifsof@bbnc.net (907) 278-3602	Bristol Bay Regional Work Force Development Consortium	Presentation of the regional workforce development consortium to date and sharing of relevant to workforce data to create opportunity in education and workforce development in Bristol Bay.

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March 24- Day 2

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Tiffany and Amber Webb	BBAHC Opioid Prevention Program	Tiffany Webb 907-842-9445 twebb@bbahc.org & Amber Webb 907-717-8973 awebb@bbahc.org	Why We Hurt	The ongoing impact of historic trauma in Bristol Bay & Community Solutions for The Next 500 Generations: We will talk about who we are, how we have coped with trauma and how we heal together. We will also talk about how economic stability is improved when we address lateral oppression within ourselves, within our organizations and within our communities.
Each table has a facilitator	BBAHC/UTBB/BBNC/BBNCEF	XX	Small Group Reflections	Small group discussions on the Why We Hurt presentation and topics.
Kay Larson-Blair, Cultural Heritage Program Officer	BBNCEF	907-268-7852 klarsonblair@bbnc.net	Cultural & Language Revitalization	An overview and lessons learned from the Cultural Wellness research completed by the Bristol Bay Native Corporation Education Foundation.
Akti Ilutsik-Snyder, Career Counselor	Igiugig Village Council	907-533-3211 snyder@gmail.com	atkiq. Iliamna Communités Teaching Culture Through Language	Iliamna Communités Teaching Culture Through Language
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Daniel Schindler, Professor of Aquatic and Fisheries Sciences	University of Washington	206-616-6724 deschind@uw.edu	Climate Change & BB Fisheries: What should we expect and what can we do about it?	Climate Change & BB Fisheries: What should we expect and what can we do about it?
Gary Cline, Regional Fisheries Director	BBEDC	907-842-4370 gary@bbedc.com	Board of Fish 2022/23 Report	A report from the 2022/23 Board of Fish on Bristol Bay fishery issues, including updated regulations and the Nushagak King Salmon management plan.

Rachel Donkersloot, PhD	Coastal Cultures Research	360-383-7017 rachel@coastalculturesresearch.com	Where to Now? Renewing Conversations on restoring fisheries access in Bristol Bay.	In the nearly 50 years since implementing Alaska's Limited Entry System, the State of Alaska has fallen short in advancing effective solutions to one of the earliest and most pervasive policy concerns: how freely transferable permits impact fishery participation in rural and Alaska Native fishing communities. This presentation draws on decades of scientific research, legal analyses/outcomes, and past efforts to restore fisheries access in Bristol Bay to accomplish three goals: 1) promote a shared understanding of the specific nature of the problem of lost fisheries access; 2) identify key features of potential policy options to sustain local fisheries access; and 3) ask for local guidance on how to support the region's values and vision in moving toward workable solutions to this long standing policy failure.
Daniel Cheyette-Senior VP BBNC Lands and Resources & Sydney Thielke-USFWS Wetlands Regional Director	BBNC & USFWS	Daniel Cheyette 907-278-3602 dcheyette@bbnc.net & Sydney Thielke 406-570-3031 sydney_thielke@fws.gov	Bristol Bay National Wetlands Inventory	In 2022, the Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC) partnered with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and others to submit a grant application to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation America the Beautiful campaign to map wetlands across the Bristol Bay region while simultaneously providing education and employment opportunities to local residents and shareholders. This presentation will provide background on the National Wetlands Inventory program, discuss the importance of mapping wetland types and locations across the landscape and provide information about opportunities to be involved throughout the project.
Mary Hostetter & Bill Kane, Igiugig Tribal Stewards	Igiugig Tribal Council	Mary Hostetter mary.hostetter@igiugig.gov & Bill Kane bill.kane@igiugig.gov 907-533-3211	Community-Based Environmental Monitoring in Bristol Bay	The Igiugig Village Council, working with the Lake Iliamna and Clark Region, is currently planning for a regional network of community-based environmental monitoring programs that will focus on supporting locally-led efforts to monitor our changing climate and stewarding our traditional homelands, working alongside cultural and language revitalization programs. This project is inspired by Canada's network of Indigenous Guardians programs and emerging programs in Alaska that uplift Indigenous knowledge and support meaningful community engagement, employment, and collaboration. Looking forward, we are taking steps to secure sustainable funding to support a network of these community-based programs throughout the Bristol Bay watershed, leveraging lessons learned in this initial planning effort.
Alannah Hurley, UTBB Executive Director & Matthew Newman, NARF Senior Staff Attorney	United Tribes of Bristol Bay & Native American Rights Fund	Alannah Hurley (907) 842-1687 ahurley@utbb.org & Matt Newman (907) 276-0680 mnewman@narf.org	Permanent Protections for Bristol Bay & What's Next	An update on the efforts to secure permanent protections for the Bristol Bay watershed, including: an overview of the EPA Clean Water Act protections finalized for the Pebble Mine and the next steps for watershed-wide protections.