Nelson Lagoon

Vision Navigation Strategic Planning Presentation
Introduction

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Top Assets of Nelson Lagoon

- Community Infrastructure
- People
- Airstrip/Avgas
- Greenhouse
- Motel
- Tourism
- Harbor, Boat Storage, Storage Lockers
Top Threats to Nelson Lagoon

- Erosion
- Air Transport/Mail Service
- Population is growing old/not growing
- Unutilized Infrastructure
- Aging/Damaged Infrastructure
- Lack of training/not enough work
- Lack of Collaboration
- Sewer/Water
- Alcohol Abuse
Priority Goals

• Economic Development

• Growth

• Repair the Dock

• Develop Community Leaders
Electrical

- Our electrical system needs to be evaluated and assessed to see where the line loss is
- Would like support in finding funding
- Help with funds and resources
- Support us in finding funds
Infrastructure

• Store building- we have a building ready to go
• Restaurant commercial equipment
• Accessible land that's ready for development through the Tribe and Corporation
• We have housing that needs to be demolished and rebuilt or repaired, going to look into fixing that up, but may need additional help with resources and funding

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School

- Complete the State transfer
- Evaluate the building
- Start the Renovations
- Complete the renovations
- Put the building to use
Complete the Dock

- We would like to do start the repairs to the dock
- Where do we start?
- Completion of the work
Fish Plant

• Get support to find funds to get the outfall line put in
• We should collaborate with all stakeholders to get it finished
• Help figuring out what our next steps will be

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Air Transport

• Grant Aviation has not been reliable
• We have elders that need to travel out for medical and people who need their medicine
• In October we had 2 mail planes
• We need essential air travel in the whole Aleutian reason
• Boroughs support to establish the EAS in the Aleutian region

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Erosion

• We were not able to complete this project because our equipment wasn't working
• Timing
• Where do we go from here?
People/Growth

• Our population is getting older
• We have youth with the drive to want to better Nelson Lagoon and who are not moving away, but moving back or want to.
• With better infrastructure and economic development it will hopefully incentivize more people to move back or move to Nelson Lagoon; including families & one day open the school.
• Develop Community Leaders- the "youth" need to be more included in the Tribe and Corp
• Get the younger population involved with the Tribal Council and Corporation. Get them trained and increase communication and collaboration within the community and with the Borough.

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Store

- We need help finding funds and resources for someone to start this up whether it’s the Tribe or an entrepreneur.
- Inventory and feasibility study on store.
- Training for a local person to manage the store.
- We have a building that can be put to use.
- Open store.

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Next Steps

• Get the younger generation more involved with the decision-making to help prepare us for the future of our community.

• Accomplish the projects

• Figuring out what our next steps are
Questions?