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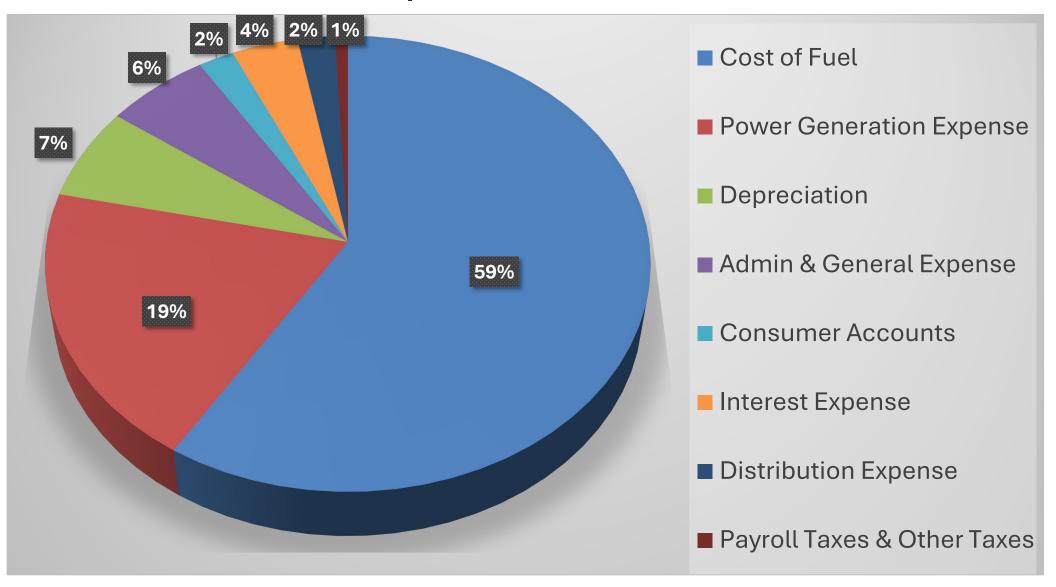
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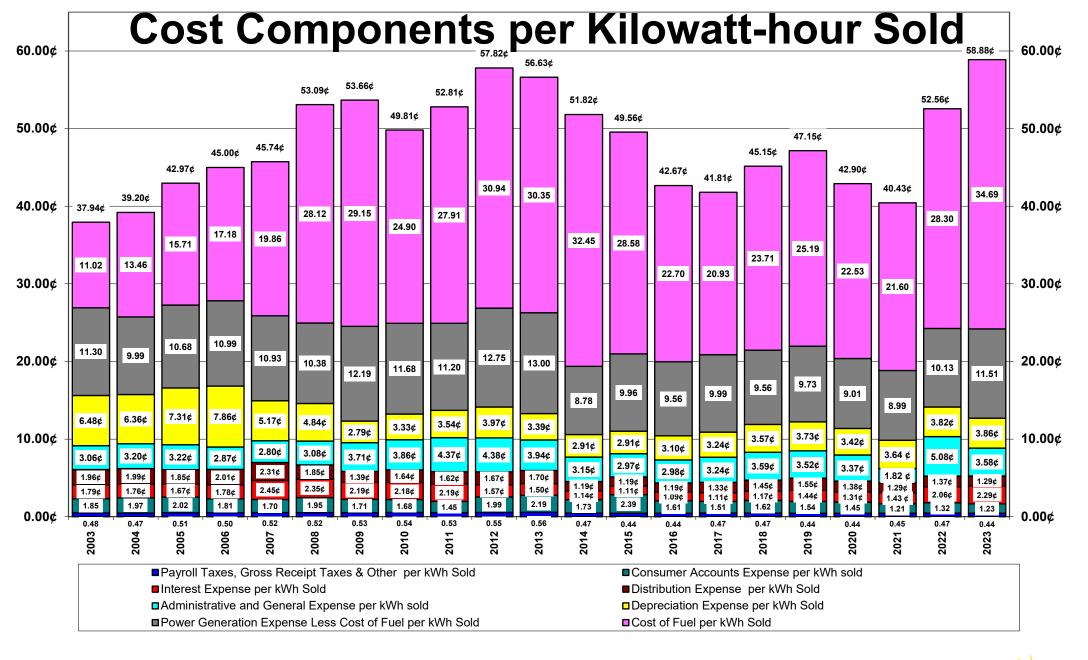
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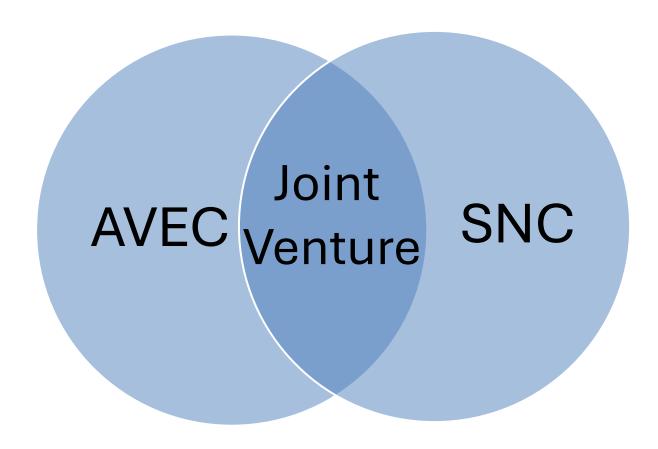






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## **Stebbins Native Corporation**

Established 1974, ANCSA village corporation

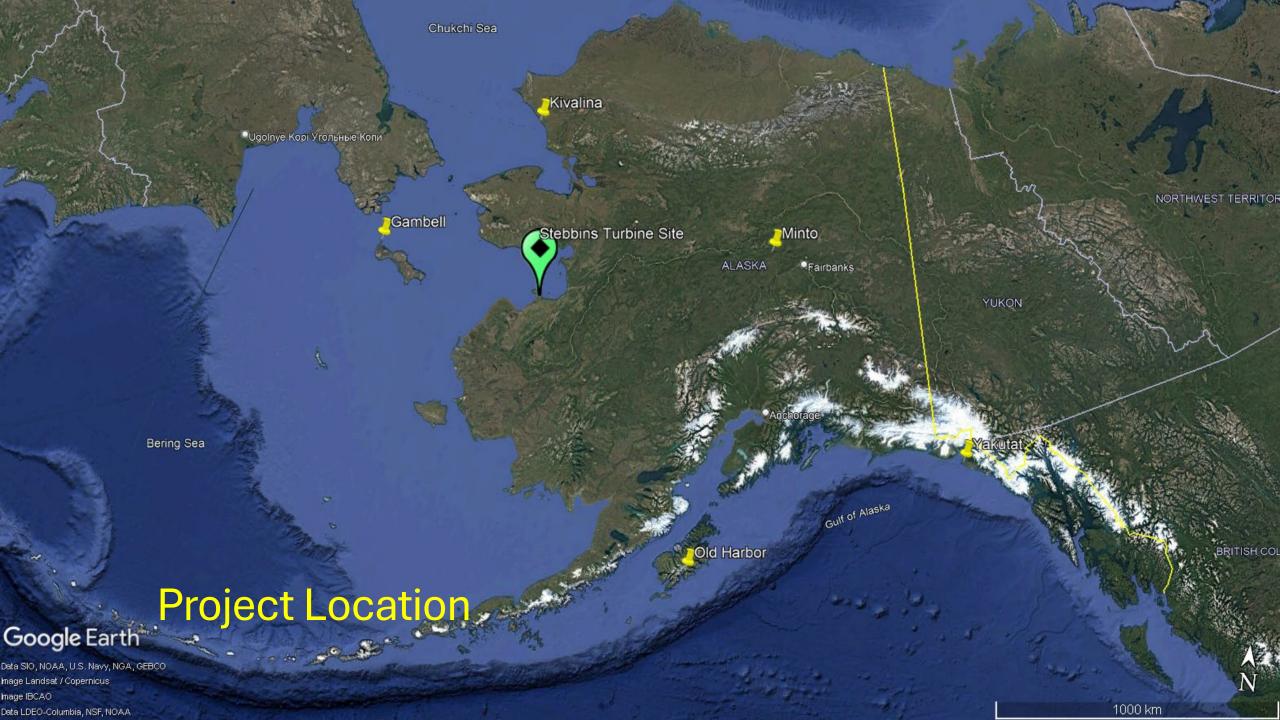
- John Nashoanak, President
- Thomas Kirk, Manager
- 501 Shareholders
- 80 Local employees during season
- 3 Subsidiaries: fuel, store, rock/gravel
- Partners in construction: Advanced Blasting, Tapraq Rock
- Own 100,000+ acres
- Landowner

# **Project Overview**

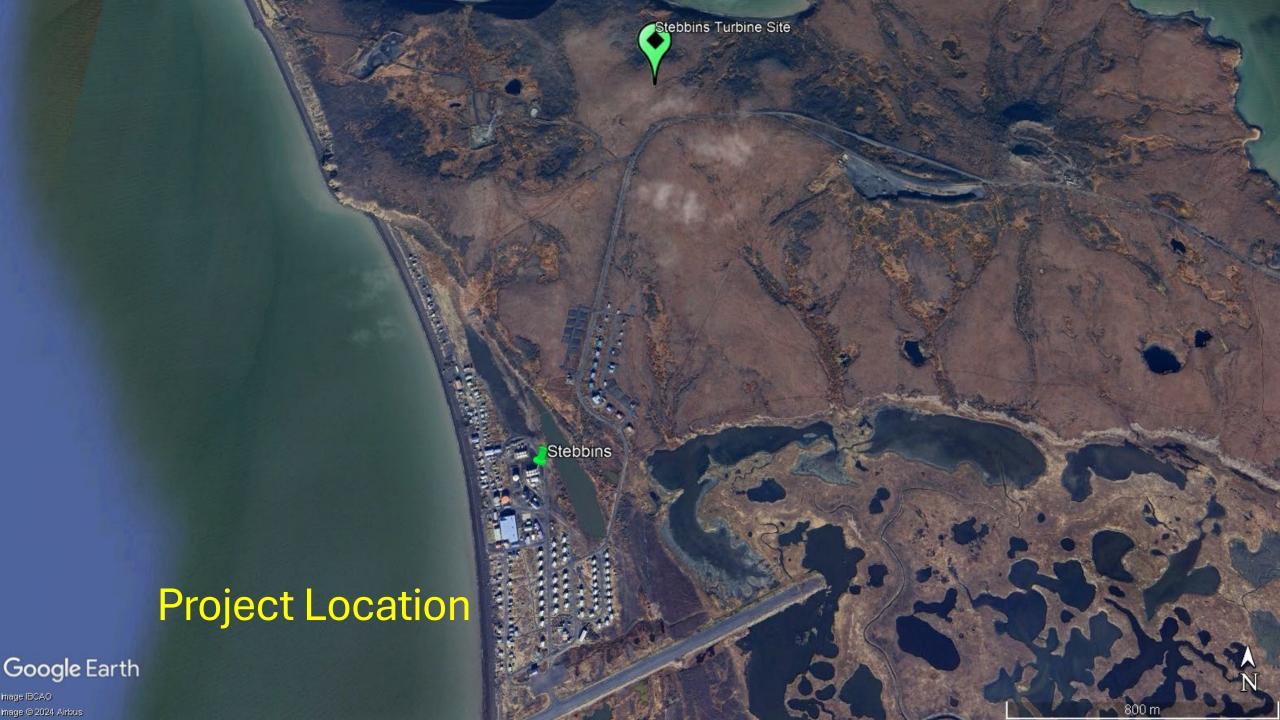
- Final stages of an energy vision for the area
- Installation of one Emergya Wind Technologies (EWT) wind turbine
  - 900 kW
  - 52 meter diameter rotor
  - 75 meter high tower
  - Direct drive
- Install wind to heat systems in Stebbins and St. Michael

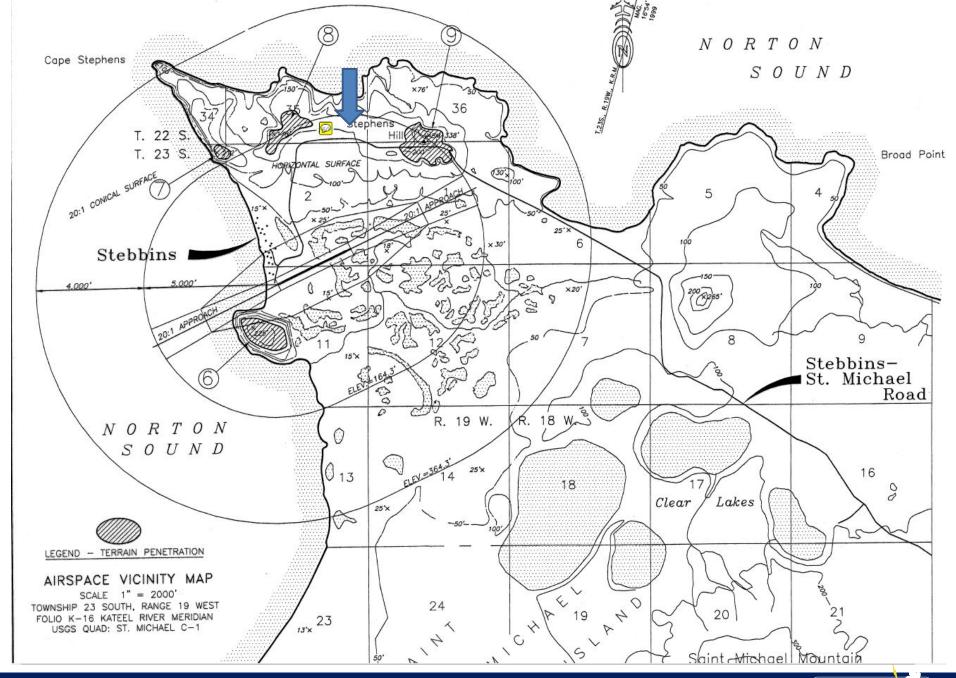
















## Stakeholders









City of Stebbins

Native Village of **Stebbins** 

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Indian Energy

St. Michael Native Corporation

Native Village of St. Michael

City of St. Michael



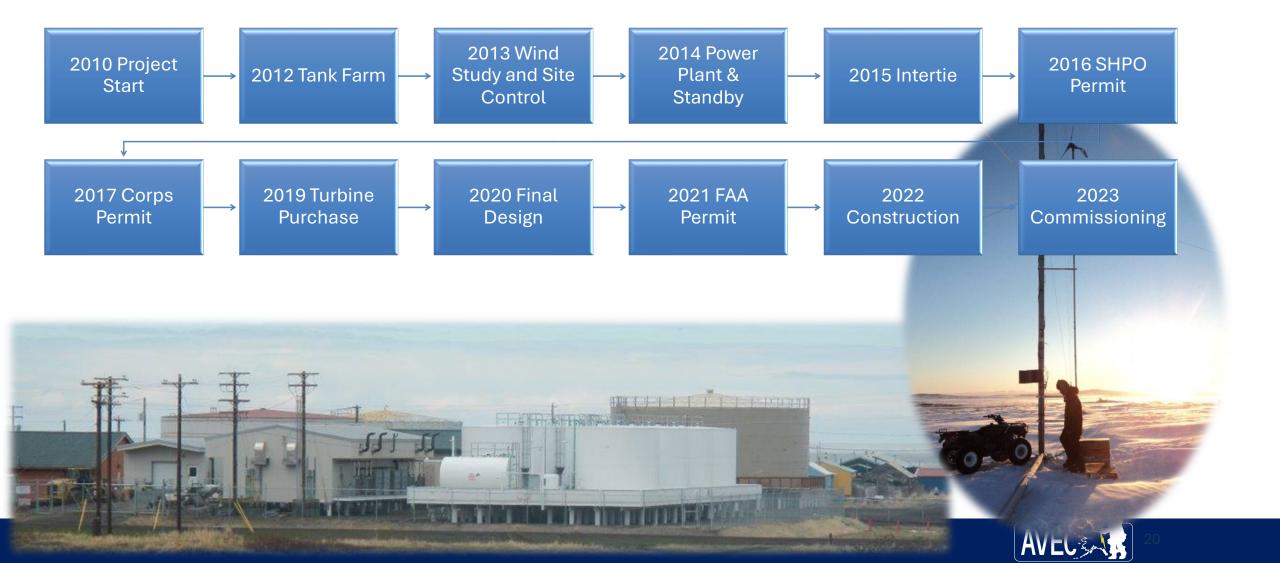


## **Project Objectives**

- Install 900 kW turbine
- Generate ~2,529 MWh/year
- Produce 50% of total energy for two communities
- Save 104,700 gallons/year
- \$365,403 savings first year
- \$11.4M savings over 25 years



# Relevant Background Information



## Let's install a turbine.

<ul> <li>Procure Turbine</li> </ul>	4Q2019

<ul> <li>Mob to site</li> </ul>	3Q2022 / 2Q2023

•	Site improvements	4Q2022 / 1Q2023

- Turbine Foundation 1Q2023 / 2Q2023
- Turbine Delivery / Installation 2Q2023 / 3Q2023
- Start up / Commissioning 3Q2023 / 4Q2023









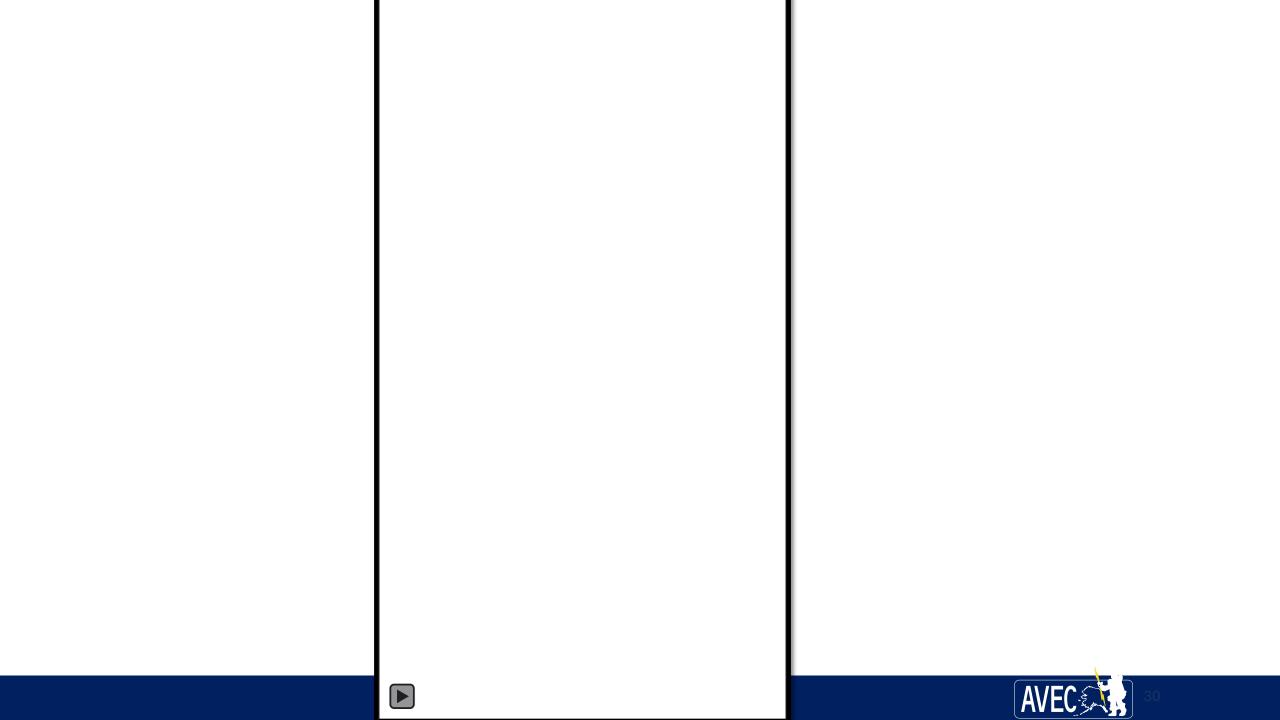




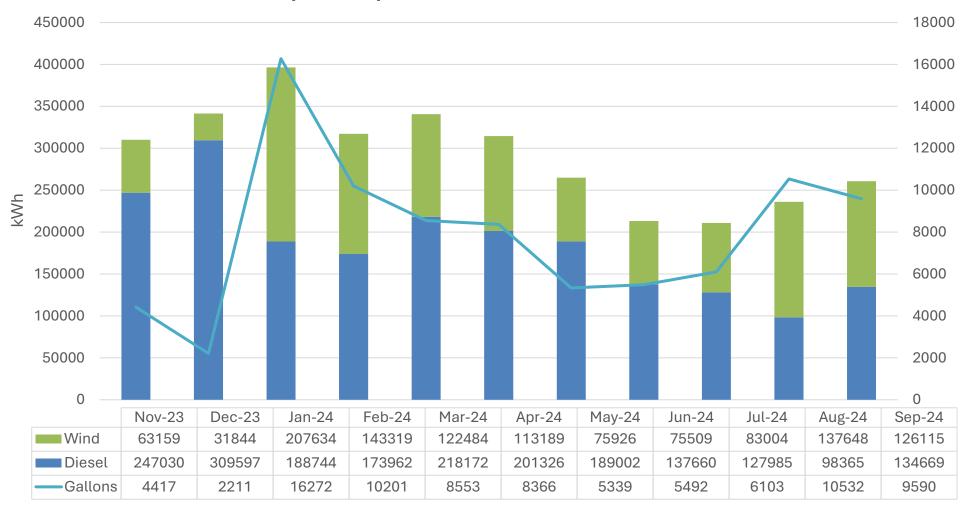








#### Net Generation (kWh) since November 2023



## Activities to be Completed

- 12 months of turbine production monitoring
- Finish upgrades including boiler installations in Stebbins and St. Michael
  - RFP for installation
  - First barge 2025
  - Construction 2025

## Wind to Heat Upgrades Status

- Long lead items acquired, boilers are at AVEC headquarters
- RFP June 2024 for Stebbins and St. Michael
  - One response, too high
- AVEC to perform Stebbins
- Bid for St. Michael out soon

## **Lessons Learned**

Poor weather impacts

Sequence of Site Work

Coordination with foreign entities

Staffing availability

Sufficient materials

Troublesome equipment



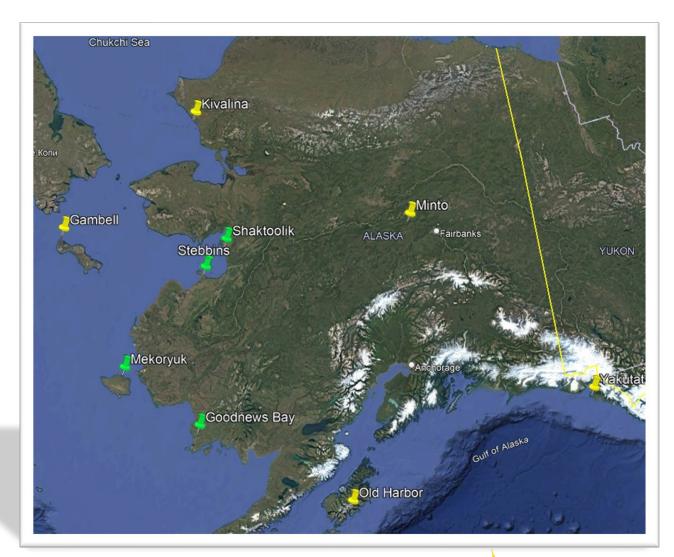


# Other Projects

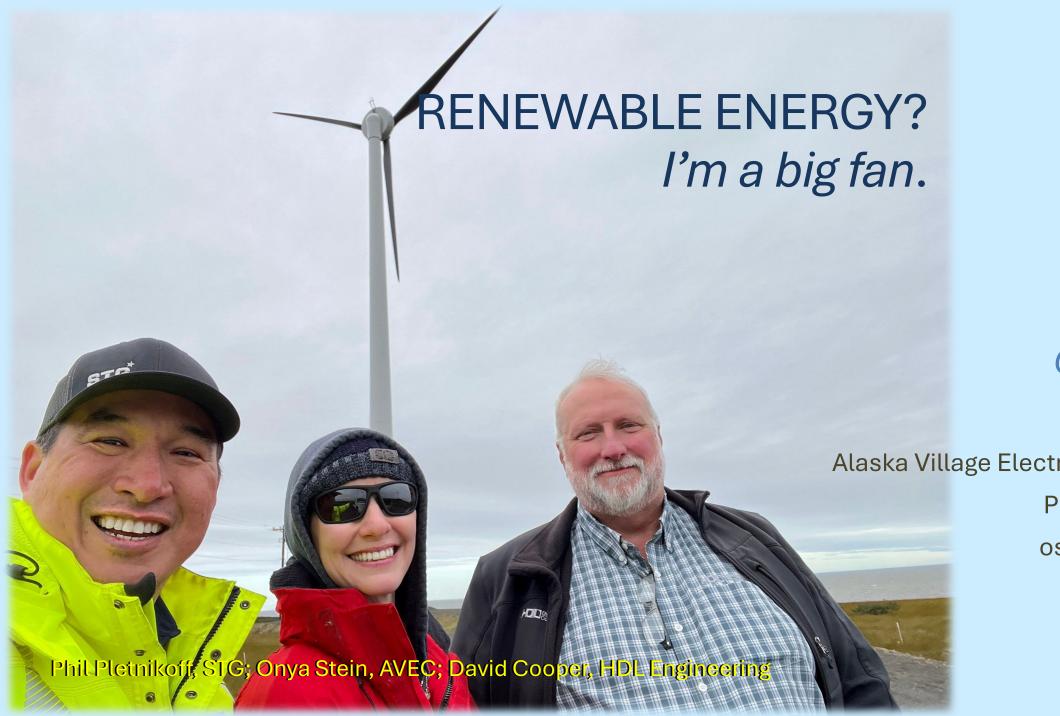
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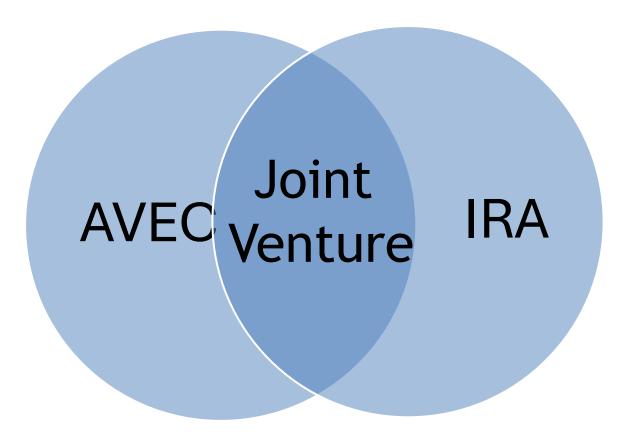
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Shaktoolik, Alaska

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#### Shaktoolik IRA Tribal Council

- Formed in 1936
- Axel Jackson, President
- 6 Member Board
- 7 Employees
- Fun fact "Our school has extremely talented athletes and our High School Basketball teams have placed at the State tournament for the past few years! GO WOLVERINES!"

### **Project Overview**

 Improve utilization of excess wind energy by installing a 320 kW/361 kWh Lithium-ion battery with grid forming

inverter



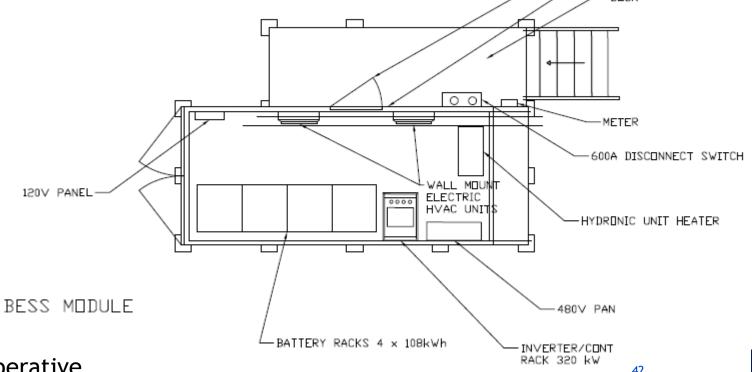
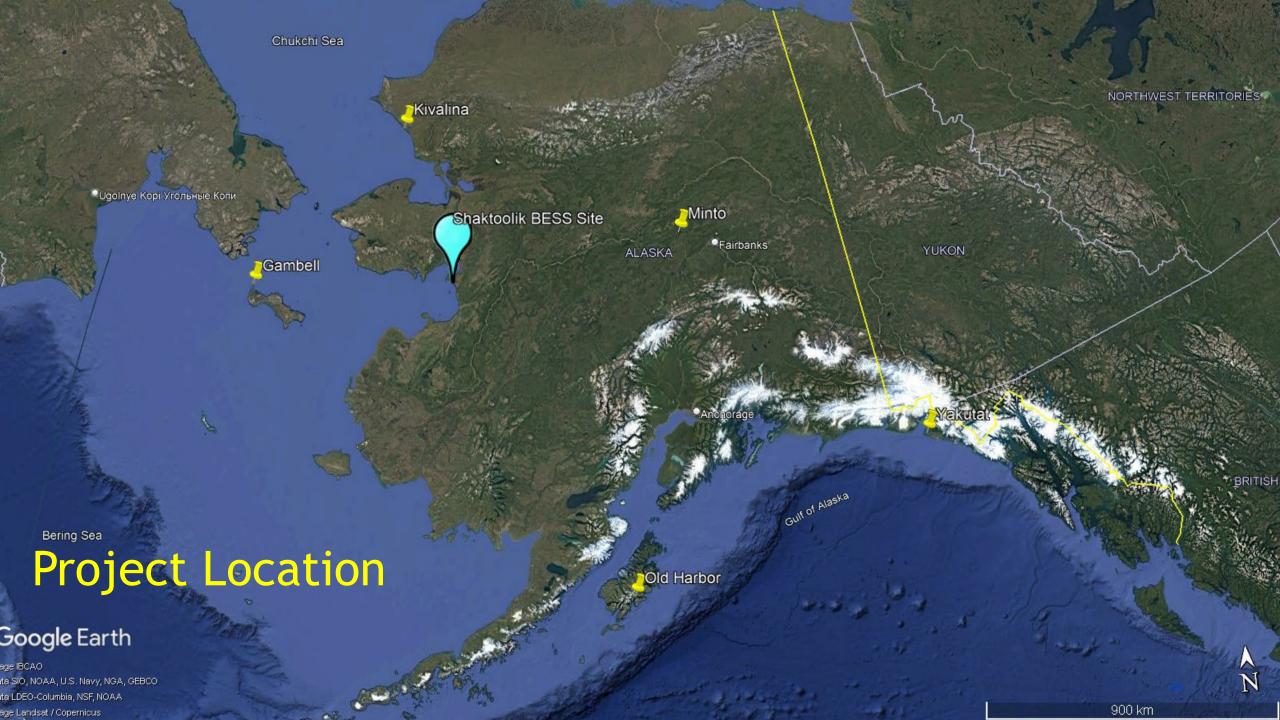


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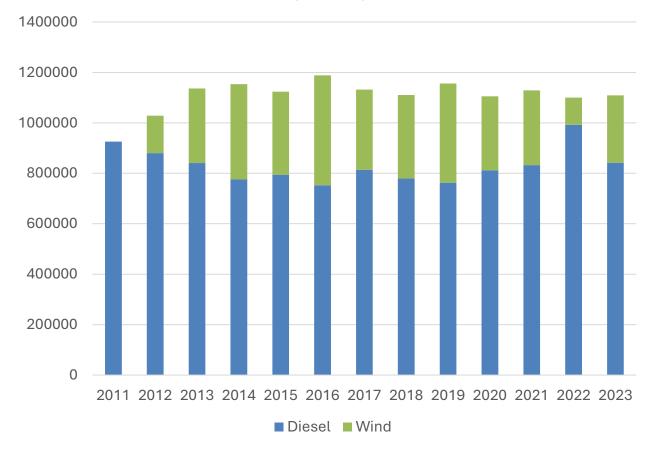




### **Project Objectives**

- Increase wind energy output, 80%
- Fuel Savings, \$99K/yr
  - Less diesel generation
  - Use smaller engine
  - "Diesel's Off"
- Maintenance Savings, \$6K/yr
- Improve Power Quality, 2 system outages
- Reduce Operational Concerns

# Shaktoolik Annual Gross Generation (kWh)



### Relevant Background

Wind Turbines
2011

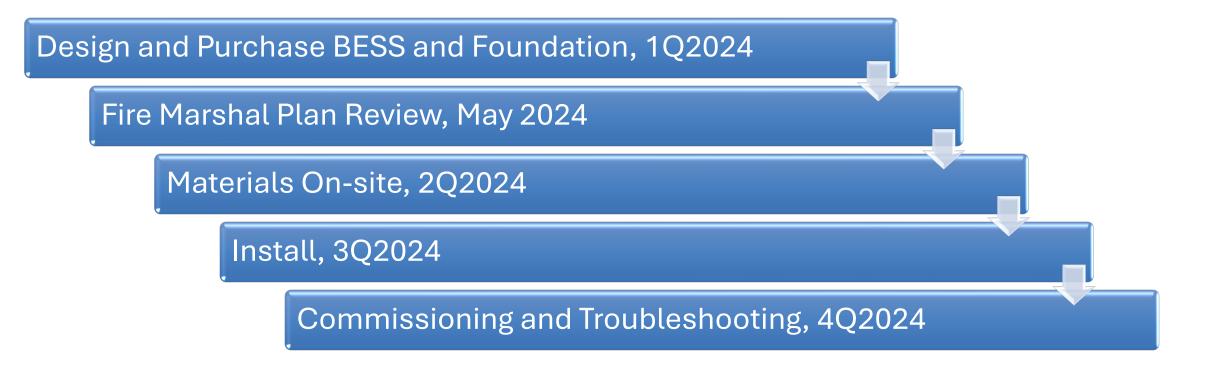


BESS

2024



### Progress to Date

















### Interconnection





### Activities to be Completed

System controller and full automation of BESS

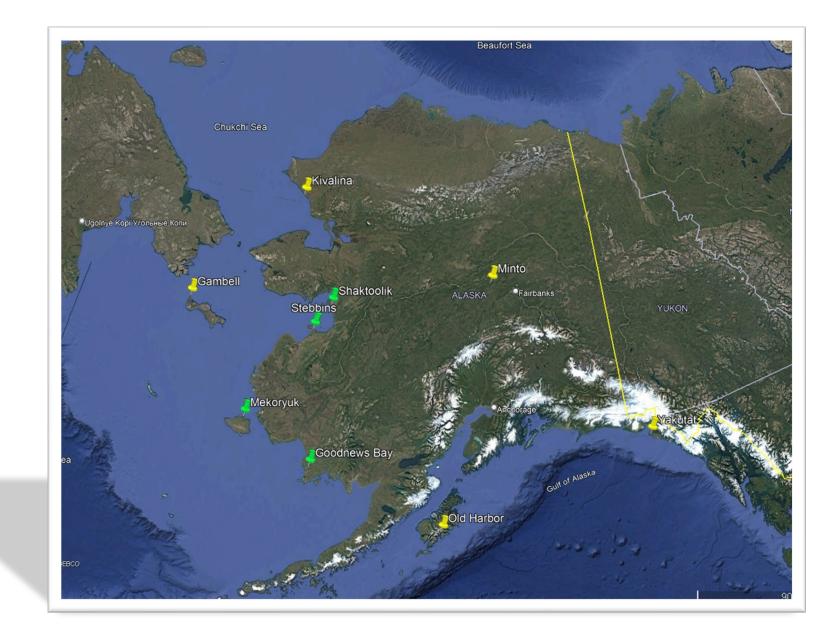
#### **Lessons Learned**

- Capable heavy equipment
- Shipping logistics
  - Batteries separate
  - Packaging waste
  - Shipping hazards
- Coordination with foreign entities
- Long lead items



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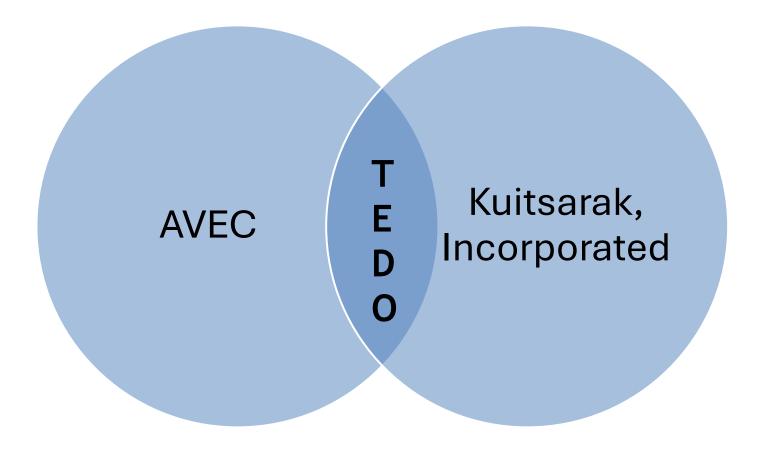
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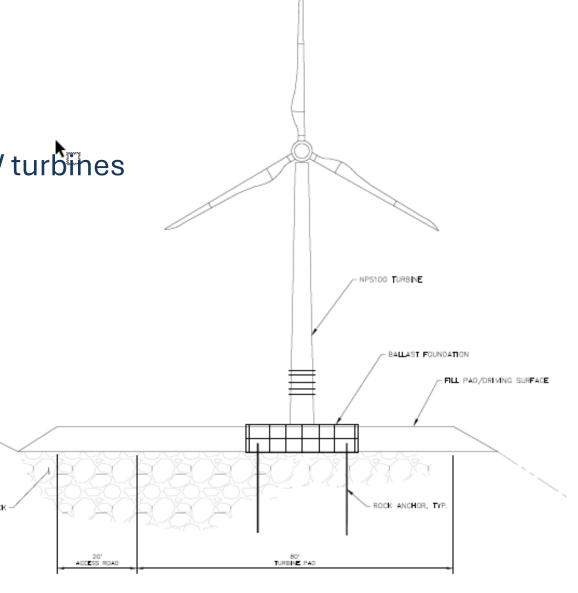
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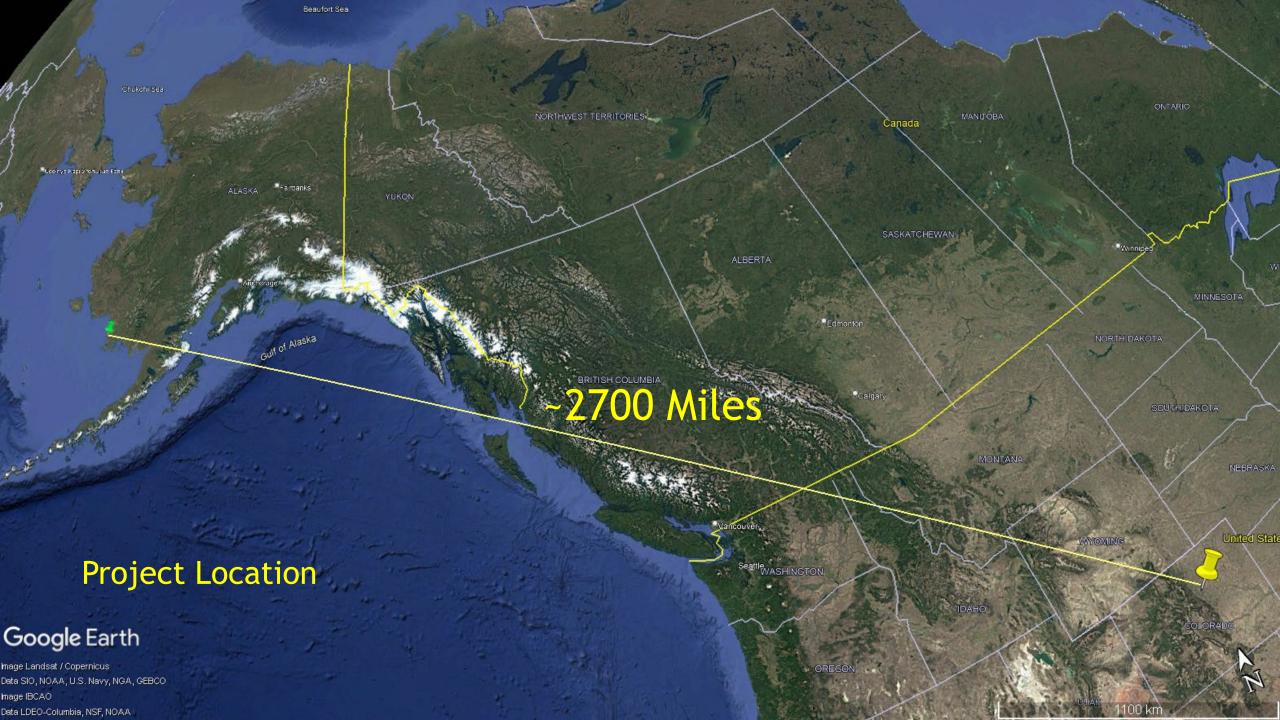
ANCSA village corporation

- Formed in 1971
- Bessie Galila, President
- 7 Employees for Kuitsarak
- 21 Employees for Mumtram Pikkai (subsidiary)
- Represent +/- 80 households
- Tribal Lands owner

## **Project Overview**

- Final Design
- Install two Northern Power Systems 100kW turbines
  - 23-meter tip-up tower design
  - 21-meter rotor
  - NPS100C-21
- Install battery system
  - 324kWh/240kW Lithium-ion LFP battery (Pylon Tech)
  - Oztek Ozpcs-RS40 grid forming, integrated inverter
- Install electronic controls
- Install wind-to-heat system

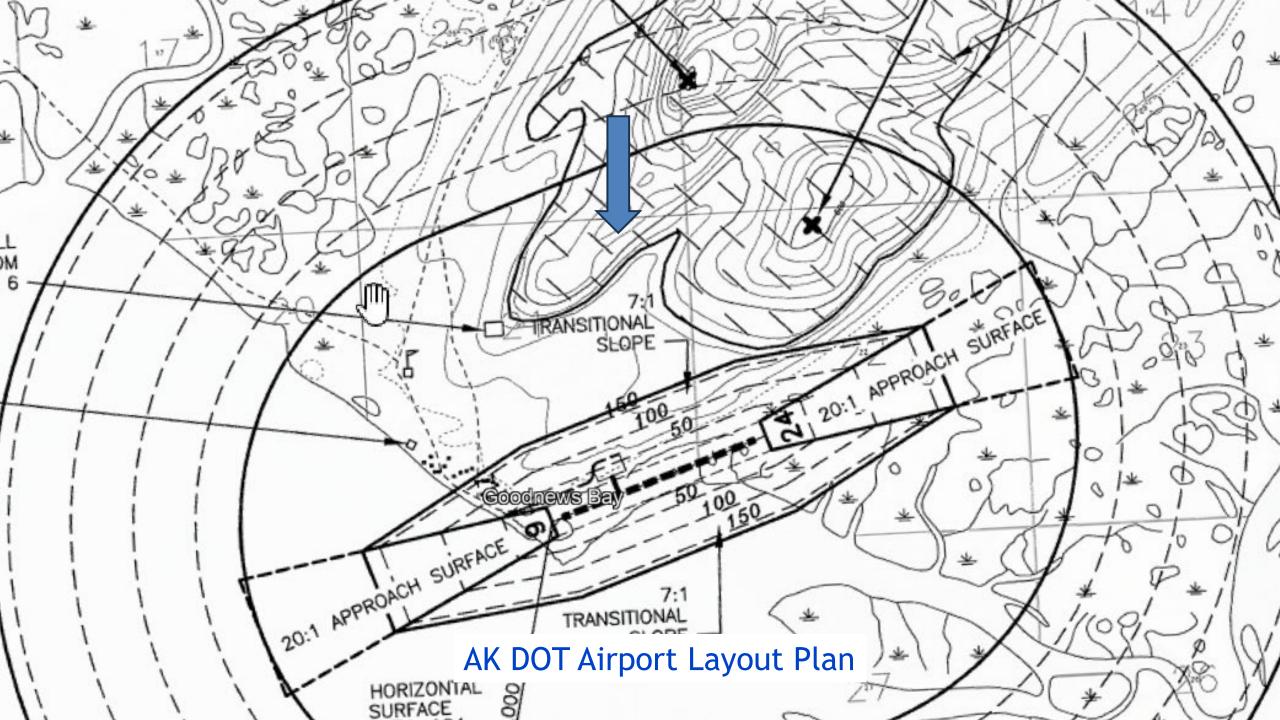




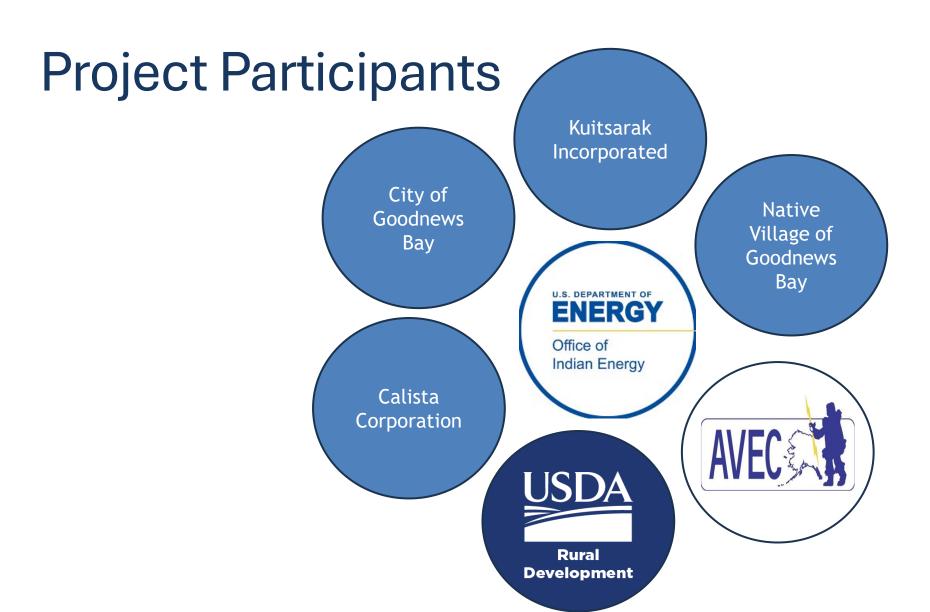




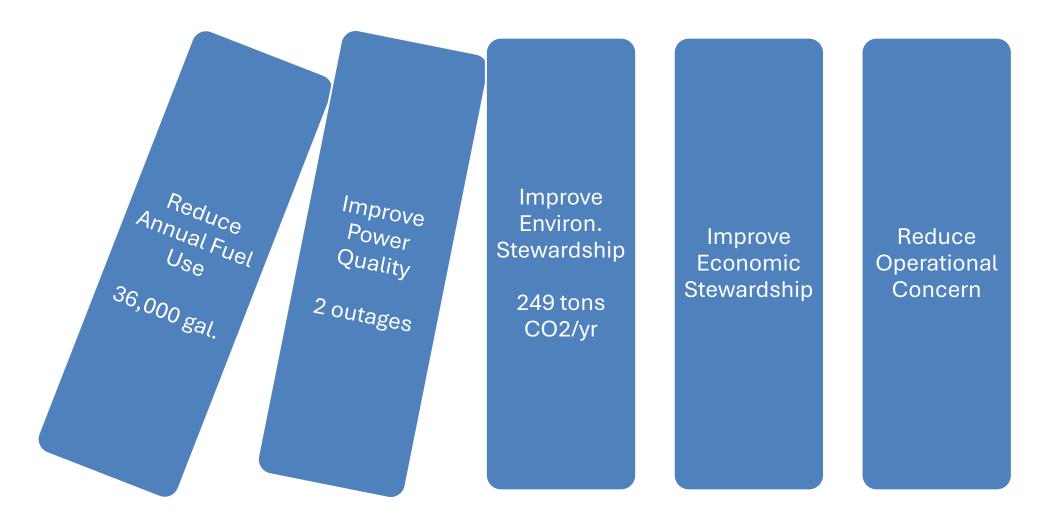








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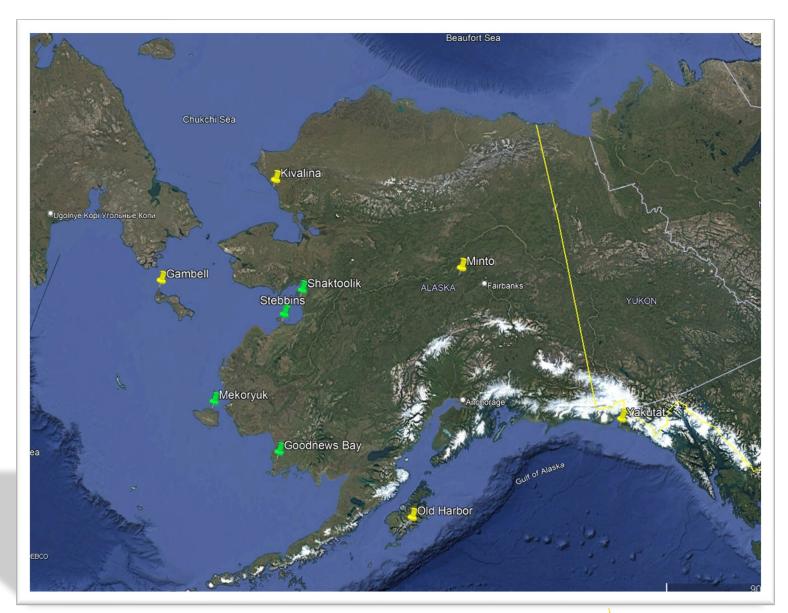
- Single phase system
- 2015 wind data was analyzed in 2022, Class 5
- Funding from RUS in place for power system improvements to make it ready for renewables by 3Q2025.

Project Plan

RUS Upgrades Permitting Final Design delayed Purchase General Shipment and **Equipment** and Construction Mobilization Materials Bid 12 Month Commissioning Installation Verification Period

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