## Tribal Energy Conference Denver, Colorado November 2019

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc./
Bethel Native Corporation
Renewable Energy Joint Venture
Bethel Wind Energy Construction Project

Forest Button
Manager, Project Development
& Key Accounts





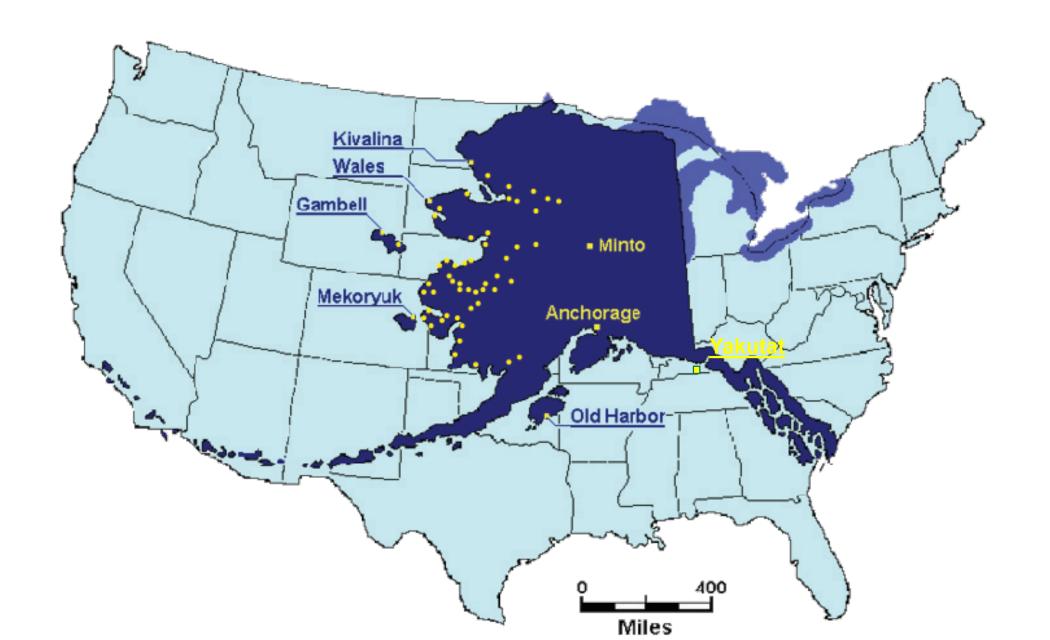
### Alaska Village Electric Cooperative

Member owned, not-for-profit

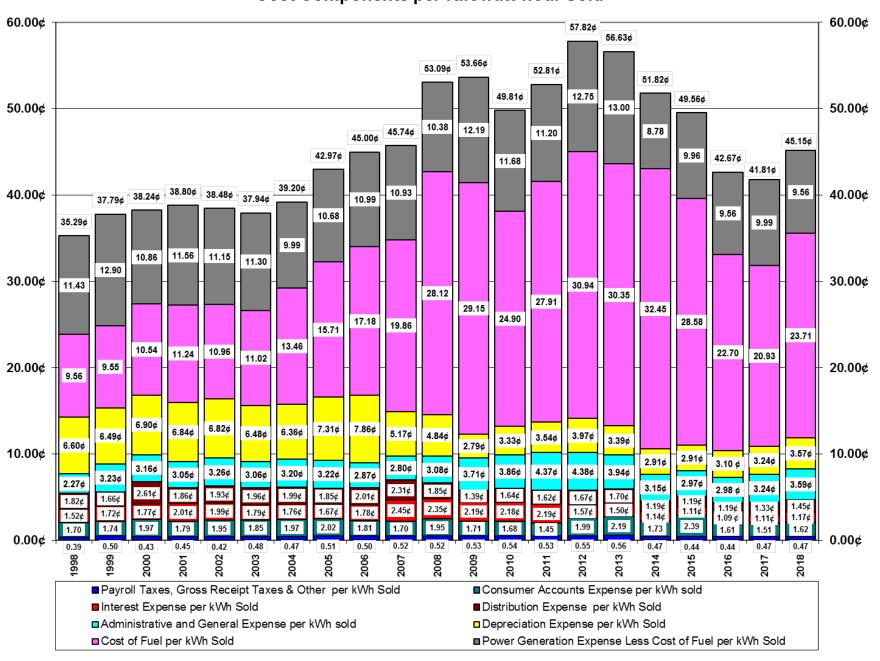
Energizing Rural Alaska since 1968

- 58 Member Communities
- 11,500 Services
- Population Served: 30,194
- 94% Alaska Native
- Smallest: Shageluk 71 → Largest: Bethel 6,205
- 9.3 million gallons of diesel / \$32 million (\$3.46)
- 90 FT / 95 PT Employees
- 48 Power Plants & 10 Standby
- 32 Wind turbines serving 19 communities
- 2 Solar arrays serving 2 communities
- Two tug and barge sets

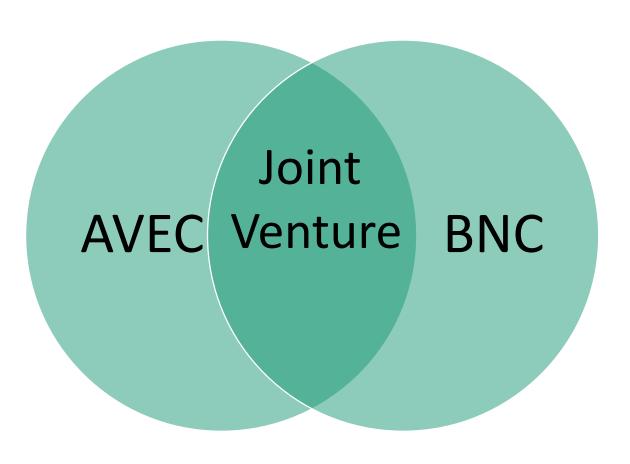




#### Alaska Village Electric Cost Components per Kilowatt-hour Sold



- Partnership between AVEC and BNC ABRE
  - To benefit the communities of Bethel and Oscarville



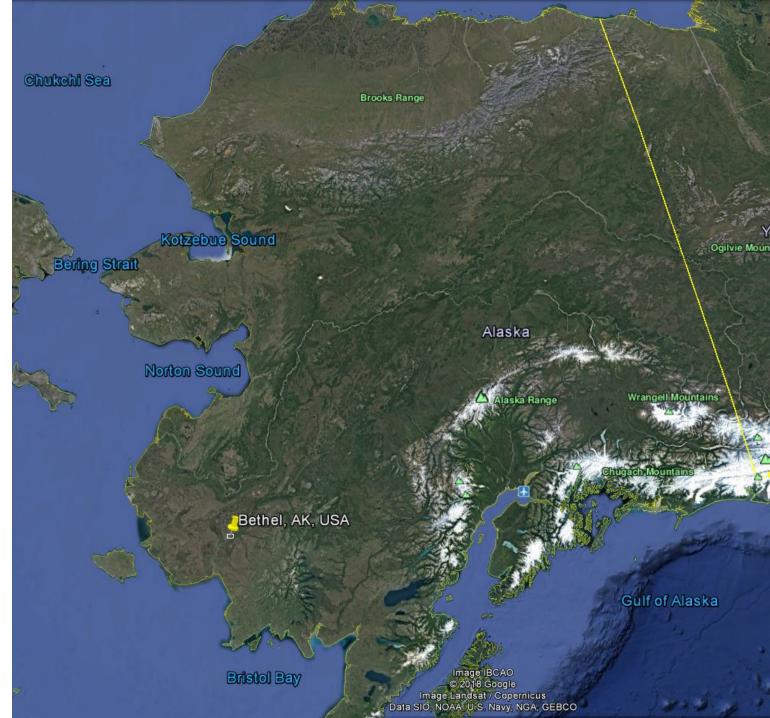
#### **Project Partners:**

- Bethel Native Corp
- Alaska Energy Authority
- DOE Office of Indian Energy
- Denali Commission

# Bethel Native Corp

- ANCSA village corporation
- Construction, Environmental, Logistics
- Alaska, Washington, California
- Serves 1,800 shareholders
- Mostly Yup'ik Eskimo





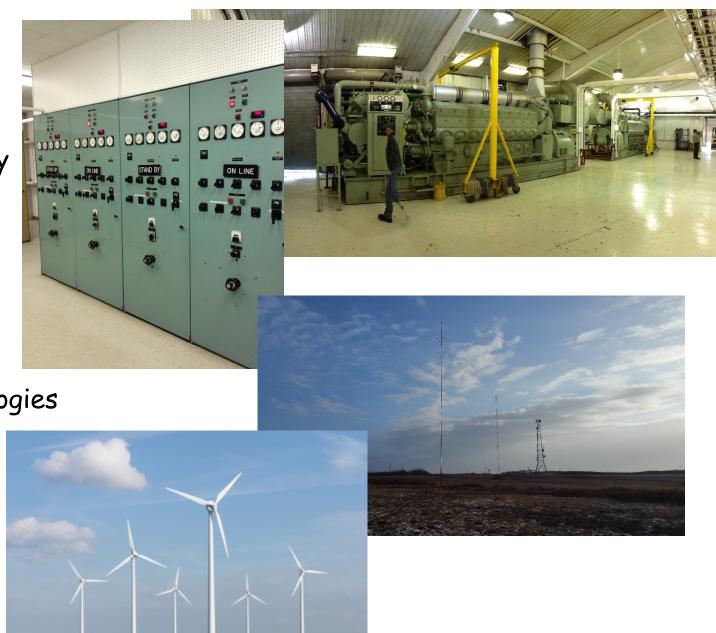
#### Project Overview

Upgrade power plant to accept wind energy

- Automated governors -actuators
- Voltage Regulators

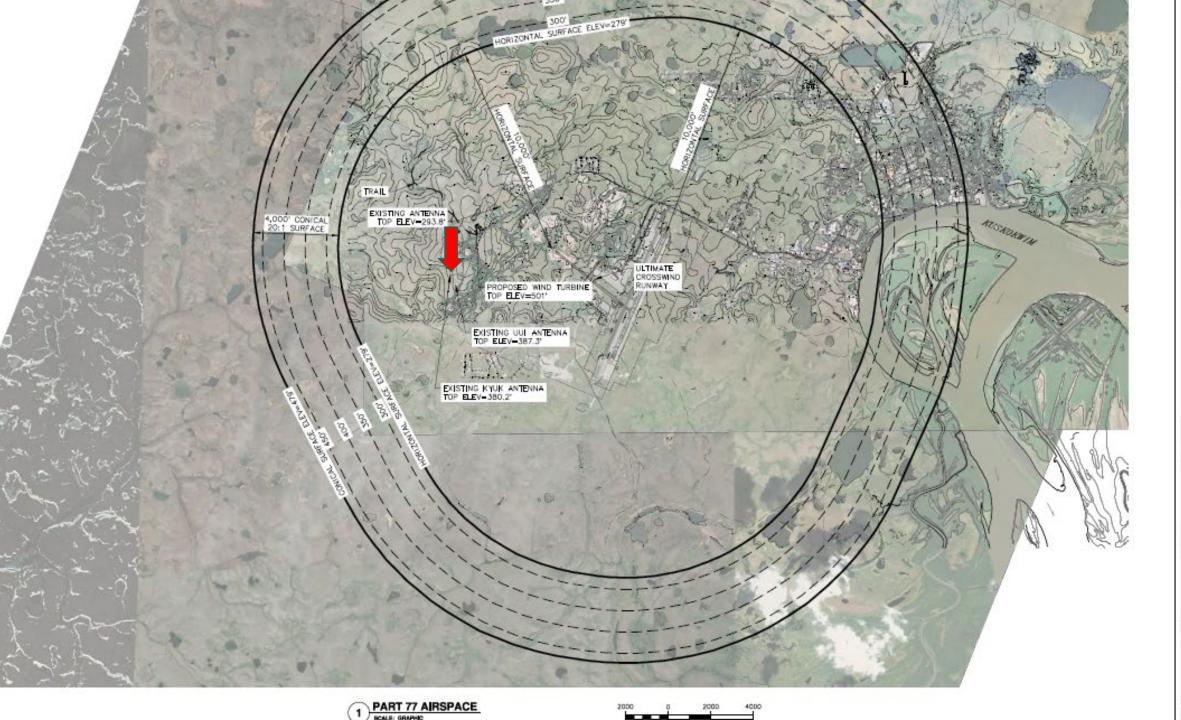
Installation of one Emergya Wind Technologies (EWT) 900 kW direct drive wind turbine.

- 52 meter diameter rotor
- 50 meter high tower



# **Project Location**







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### 2017-2018 Construction

Road, pad, and pile foundation winter 2017/2018

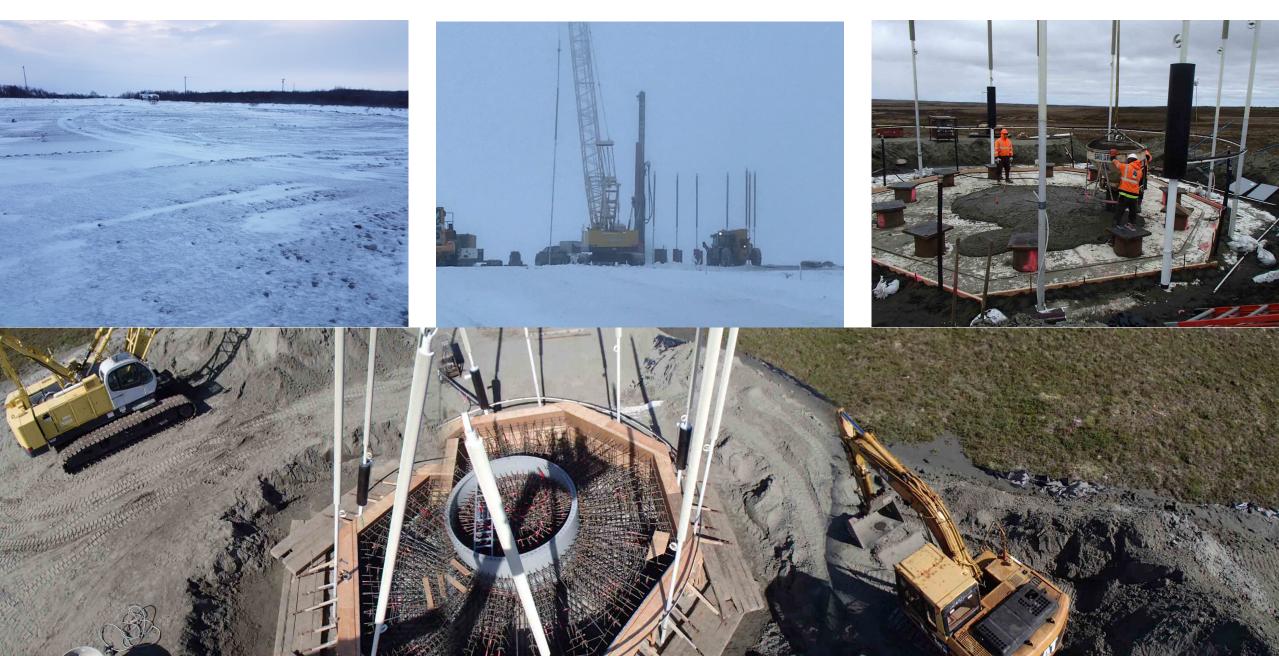
Turbine ship to Alaska May 2018

Concrete foundation June / July 2018

Erect turbine, install transformers connect to grid August - September 2018

Commission bring on line September 2018

# Construction



# Construction









### **Project Objectives**

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#### ACTUAL

❖ Generate 2,100 MWh / Year

2,088 MWh / Year

Offset 156,250 gallons fuel consumption per year

Offset 155,355 Gallons

\*Save approx. \$571,500 per year on fuel (\$3.658)

\$590,817 (\$3.803)

Eliminate 1,587 tons of CO2 / year

1,578 tons eliminated

### Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc./ Pitka's Point Native Corporation Renewable Energy Joint Venture

(APRE)

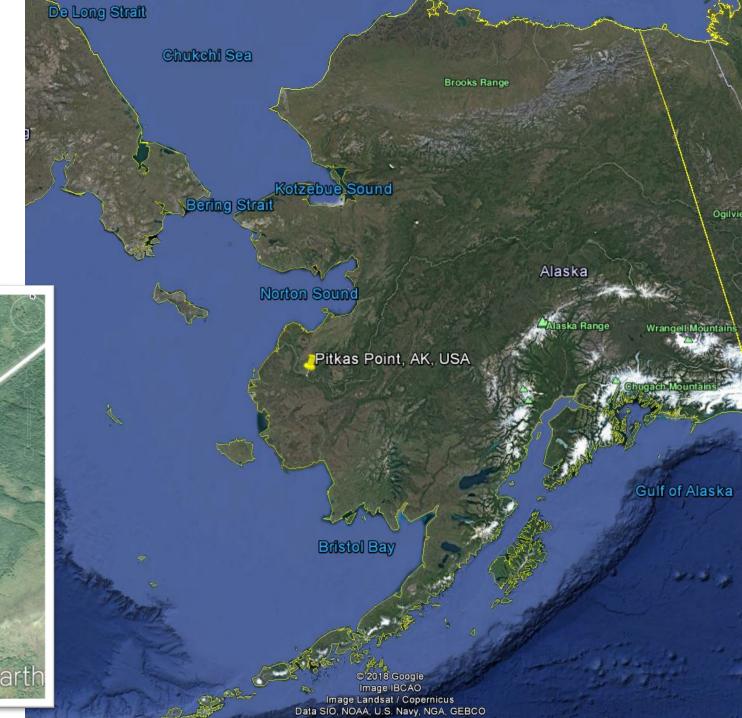
Pitka's Point/Saint Mary's Wind Energy Construction Project



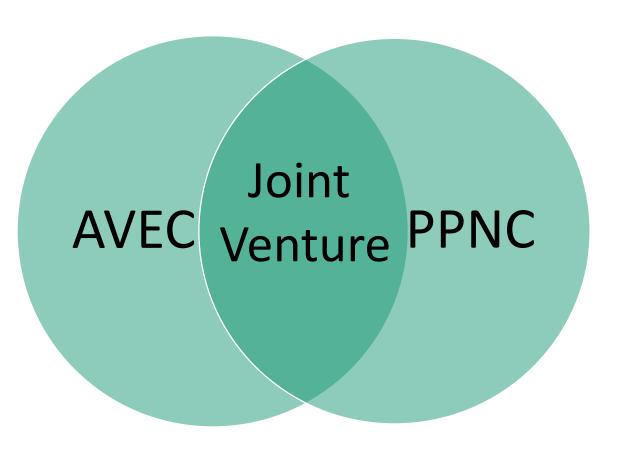
#### Pitka's Point Native Cooperation

- ANCSA village corporation
- Serves 426 shareholders





- Partnership between AVEC and PPNC
  - To benefit the communities of Pitka's Point, Saint Mary's, and Mountain Village



#### **Project Partners:**

- Native Village of Pitka's Point
- Algaaciq Tribal Council
- Yupiit of Andreafski
- Asa'carsarmiut Tribal Council
- Azachorok, Inc.
- Nerklikmute Native Corporation
- Saint Mary's Native Corporation
- City of Saint Mary's
- City of Mountain Village
- Alaska Energy Authority
- DOE Office of Indian Energy

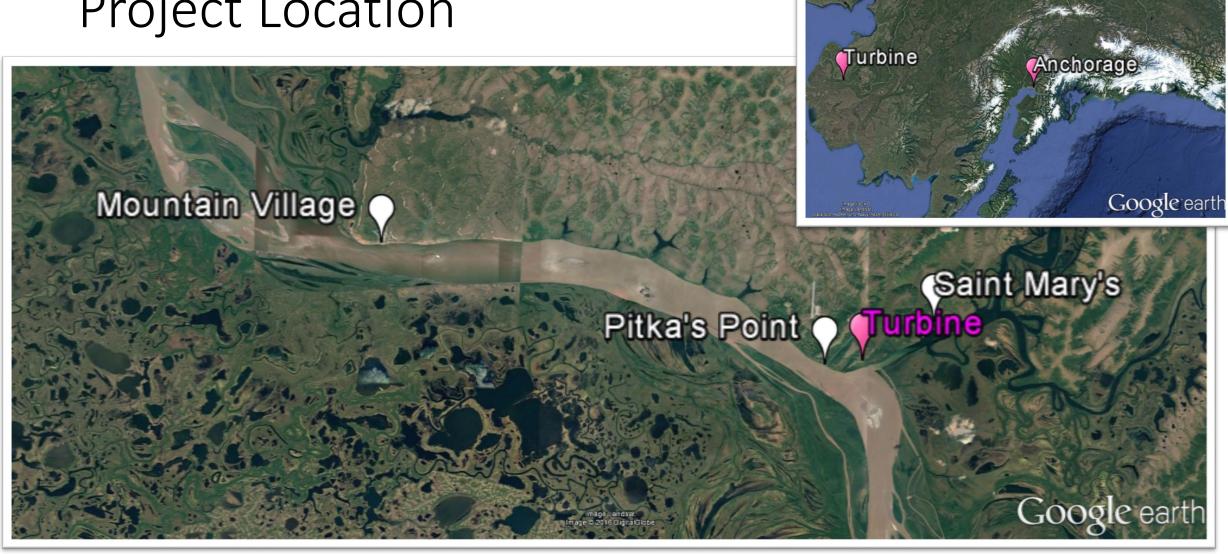
### Project Overview

 Installation of one Emergya Wind Technologies (EWT) 900 kW direct drive wind turbine.

- 52 meter diameter rotor
- 50 meter high tower
- Upgrade electrical distribution line to three-phase between St. Mary's and Pitka's Point
- Upgrades at the Saint Mary's power plant to effectively utilize wind
- Wind-to-heat component



### Project Location



# Progress

- Road, pad, and foundation complete in 2017
- Electrical upgrade complete 2018
- Turbine installed 2018
- Turbine Commissioned and brought on line January 2019

#### Next steps...

Intertie Mt. Village with St. Mary's – Winter
 2020



### Turbine Construction 2018













### Turbine Construction 2018









### Turbine Construction 2018



### **Project Objectives**

(10.5 Months)

#### GOAL

#### ACTUAL

❖ Generate 2,525 MWh / Year

1,043 MWh / Year

Offset 202,000 gallons fuel consumption per year

Offset 84,104 Gallons

\*Save approx. \$874,000 per year on fuel (\$4.327 -2014)

\$239,859 (\$2.852)

Eliminate 2,100 tons of CO2 / year

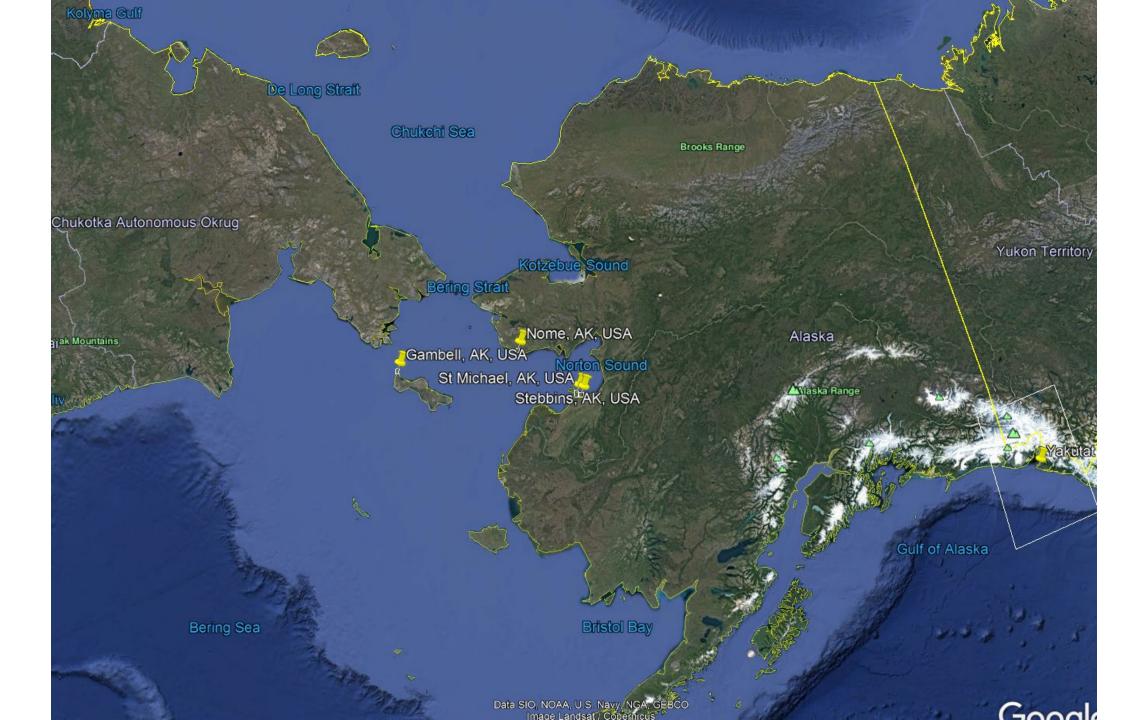
854,216 tons eliminated

### Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc./ Stebbins Native Corporation Renewable Energy Joint Venture

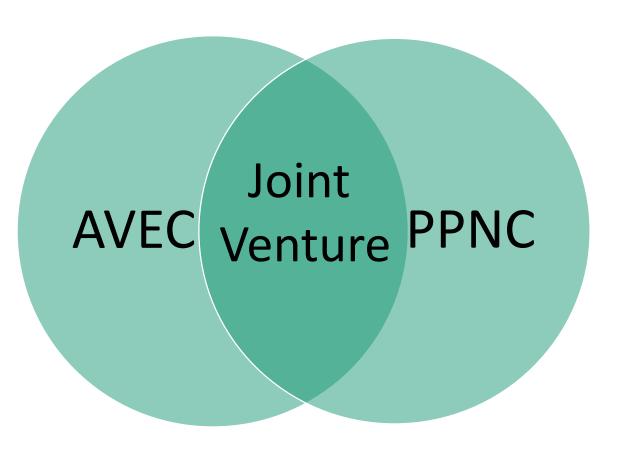
(ASRE)

Stebbins / St. Michael Renewable Energy Project





- Partnership between AVEC and SNC
  - To benefit the communities of Stebbins and Saint Michaels



#### **Project Partners:**

- City of Stebbins
- Native Village of Stebbins
- City of St. Michael
- Native Village of Saint Michael
- Stebbins Native Corporation
- Stebbins Community Association
- St. Michael Native Corporation.
- Denali Commission
- DOE Office of Indian Energy

#### Install EWT 900kW Turbine

- > Offset 104,700 of diesel
- > Savings in first year \$365,403
- > Life time savings \$11.4 million
- > Project life 25 years
- > NPV benefit \$6.694 million
- > Provide wind to heat



# Alaska Village Electric Cooperative Overall Adjusted Generating System Efficiency Diesel Only vs. Wind & Diesel

