



# Cenaliulriit

## A Message to Residents of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta

The Board of Directors and staff of the Cenaliulriit Coastal Management Resource Service Area (CRSA) are asking for your help in revising the current Coastal Management Program. The current plan was published in 1985, and needs updating so that village residents can participate in development decisions that affect them.

The purpose of Cenaliulriit is to provide each community the ability to comment and participate in the permitting process for proposed development projects that may impact your subsistence resources, socio-economic condition, environment and public health and safety. Under the Alaska Coastal Management Program, development projects in coastal areas must be "consistent" with the region's coastal management plan. Thus, state and federal agencies must consider local concerns before making decisions on permits for projects such as oil and gas development, mining, water and sewer improvements, housing, airport upgrades, roads, docks, tank farms, erosion control projects, etc.

Cenaliulriit (the Yukon-Kuskokwim Coastal Resource Service Area) has the largest representation of Native villages in Alaska. The district contains 48,000 square miles, 43 communities, extensive wetlands, and its members rely heavily on subsistence use of fish and wildlife resources. Seven board members from three subdistricts represent your interests in the coastal management program. Current board members are listed below, and Seats 2 and 6 are up for election this fall.

Cenaliulriit wishes to work with you in discussing the program's strength, weaknesses, issues of local importance and recommended ways to update and improve the plan. We are preparing a Scoping Report which will summarize these findings and conclusions by June 30th. Your answers will help us determine how best to update the plan during the coming fiscal year. Responses will be kept confidential, if desired. We would appreciate your calling, faxing, or mailing your comments and ideas by June:

1. What are the strengths of Cenaliulriit CRSA, or things you like about the program?
2. What are the weaknesses of the Cenaliulriit CRSA, or things you don't like about the program?
3. How do you think the Cenaliulriit program can be improved?
4. The current coastal zone boundary includes all villages and all areas of the Y-K delta up to 200 feet in elevation, including the peaks of coastal mountains, as well as extending offshore 3 miles. Are these boundaries too big, too small, just right?
5. Do you have suggestions for improving the policies and standards which are used as guides for permit decisions?
6. Please describe some of the important issues facing your region or community that needs to be addressed in the plan update.
7. Do you have any other concerns, issues, topics, etc. that should be addressed?

Please call, fax or send your comments and ideas by June 25th to:

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Cenaliulriit board members serve for three-year terms. They are:

Section	Seat	Board Member	Village	End of Term
I	1	Patrick Phillip	Alakanuk	Oct. 1994
I	2	Moses Pauken, Sr.	St. Mary's	Oct. 1993
II	3	Joseph Evon, Jr.	Akiachuk	Oct. 1995
II	4	Phillip Guy	Kwethluk	Oct. 1995
III	5	Harry J. Tulik	Toksook Bay	Oct. 1994
III	6	vacant (open for appointment)		Oct. 1993
III	7	Jesse Beaver	Goodnews Bay	Oct. 1994

Quyana for your help.

Respectfully,  
**CENALIULRIIT COASTAL MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

*Moses Pauken, Sr.*

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Co-Chairman

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