



## Alaska's Changing Climate: Impacts, Policy and Action

### 9:00 - 9:05 Welcome

- *Cliff Groh*, Chair, Alaska Common Ground

### 9:05 - 9:20 Opening Remarks and Setting the Climate Change Stage

- *Libby Roderick*, Moderator for the day, Associate Director, Center for Faculty Excellence, UAA

### 9:20 - 9:45 Overview of the Science of Climate Change in Alaska

- *Dr. Jeremy Littell*, Lead Research Scientist, USGS Alaska Climate Science Center

### 9:45 - 10:55 Impacts of Climate Change in Alaska

- Cultural Impacts – *Larry Mercurieff*, Deputy Director, Alaska Native Science Commission
- Social And Human Rights – *Robin Bronen*, Executive Director, Alaska Institute for Justice
- Infrastructure, including economic impacts – *Mike Black*, Director of Rural Utility Management, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
- Alaska's military, its installations and military action planning – *Dr. Jon Montague*, Native Affairs and Natural Resources Advisor, Alaskan Command, JBER

### 11:00 - 11:30 Keynote Address

Lessons learned from climate change action plans and strategies in the Western states: what has worked and has not worked.

- *Bill Ross*, Former Alaska DEC Commissioner, Principal of Ross Strategic

### 11:30 - 12:30 Lunch

(Subway lunch available for \$8, order at check in)

### Breakout Action Session (in the Den)

Connect to what you can do! Rapid-fire 3 min back to back presentations by activated citizens, local experts, UAA graduate students & professors on taking actions to mitigate and adapt to climate change. Followed by discussion on how to be engaged.

### **12:30 – 12:40 UAA Public Administration Graduate Students present**

- *Robert Onders*: Climate Change and Vector-Borne Disease
- *Adam Schoffstall*: Principles of Sustainable Land Use and the Formation of an Alaska Commission on Sustainable Development
- *Lane Smith*: Glenn Highway and Emissions Reduction

### **12:40 - 1:20 Alaska State Policy Makers' Panel**

- *Larry Hartig*, Commissioner of the Alaska Dept. of Environmental Conservation
- *Craig Fleener*, Special Assistant on Arctic Policy, Governor's Office
- *Kate Troll*, Member of Gov. Palin's Mitigation Advisory Group

### **1:20 - 2:00 Alaska Community Leaders' Panel**

- *Ethan Berkowitz*, Mayor of Anchorage
- *Beth Wythe*, Mayor of Homer
- *Reggie Joule*, Former Mayor of NW Borough

### **2:00 – 2:10 UAA Public Administration Graduate Students present**

- *Carla Burkhead*: Climate Change Driven Wildfire and Updating the Community Wildfire Protection Plan
- *Russell Streif*: Strengthening Elementary School Climate Change Curriculum

### **2:10 – 2:50 Alaska Citizens' Panel**

- *Shaina Kilcoyne*, Renewable Energy Alaska Project
- *George Donart*, Citizens Climate Change Lobby
- *Faith Gemmill*, REDOIL, Resisting Environmental Destruction on Indigenous Lands

### **2:50 – 3:30 Young Alaskans' Panel**

- *Maka Monture*, Indigenous Fellow at Alaska Center for the Environment
- *Xavier Mason*, President, NAACP Youth Panel
- *Vika Morozova*, President of Anchorage AYEА chapter, Alaska Youth for Environmental Action

### **3:30 – 3:55 Closing Discussion: What will we do?**

Discussion among all panelists and audience, facilitated by moderator, *Libby Roderick*.

### **3:55 – 4:00 Wrap up**

*Cliff Groh*, Chair Alaska Common Ground.