

Togiak Comprehensive Plan

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Executive Summary

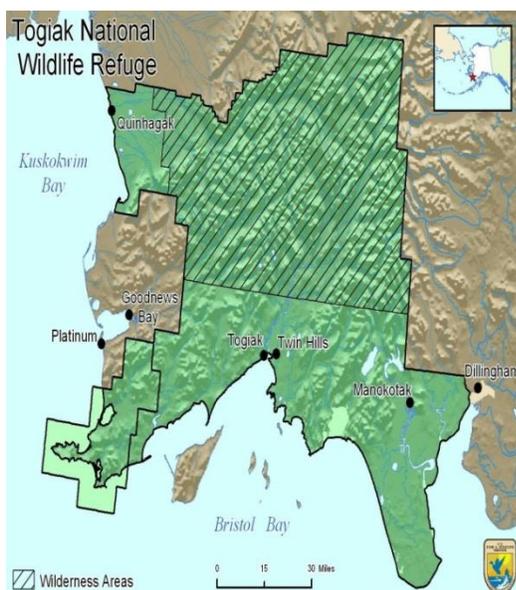


In 1985 the City of Togiak approved a Capital Improvements Plan, which identified nine projects as priorities for the community. Of the nine projects, five were completed, two were dropped as priorities and two, Alternative Energy and a Public Safety building, had not been completed by 2000.

In 2000 a mini-grant from the State of Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development was awarded to the City of Togiak to prepare a Comprehensive Economic development Strategies plan for the Community of Togiak.

In 2005 Tryck Consulting was retained by the Traditional council of Togiak to prepare a Comprehensive Plan for Togiak to complement the above documents and update the Community of Togiak's goals and priorities. Tryck Consulting was retained in 2011 to update the 2005 Togiak Comprehensive Plan. The Traditional Council of Togiak received a grant from the Bristol Bay Native Association to hire a local person Peter Lockuk Sr. as the Tribal Community Planning Specialist to update Togiak's 2012 Comprehensive Plan's goals and priorities.

The Togiak Comprehensive Plan 2015 updates, reaffirms and identifies new community goals, in a conceptual plan for continuing and moving forward with projects envisioned by the community. This plan is a guide for present and future development that meets the community's goals.



Location

The village of Togiak is located at the head of Togiak Bay, 67 miles west of Dillingham and two miles west of the mouth of the Togiak River on Bristol Bay. At 59.06194 degrees North Latitude, 160.37639 degrees West Longitude, (Section T13sR67W Seward meridian), Togiak lies within the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge. Togiak is accessible by air from Anchorage and Dillingham on the scheduled basis and freight can be delivered to Togiak by ocean tug and barge during the summer season June through September when Togiak Bay is ice free.

Togiak has a State owned 4,400 ft. runway with a 1,200 ft. crosswind airstrip. Regularly scheduled air service to Togiak is available from Dillingham. A variety of skiffs, cars, trucks, ATV's and snow machines are used locally for transportation. Togiak has an area set aside for boat storage to the east between Nasaurluq slough and the shore. Freight is flown to Togiak year round and shipped by sea during the ice-free months. The new dock was completed in 2013 which has improved off-loading fish, and barge freight.

Climate

Togiak is within a climate transition zone with intermittent arctic conditions in winter. Summer temperature averages range from 37F to 66F while winter temperatures average range between 4F and 30F. Togiak averages 20-26 inches of rain per year. Fog and high winds are common during winter.

The tidal range for Togiak is approximately 10 feet, with an average maximum tide of 11.6 ft. and average minimum tide of -0.6ft.

History and Culture

In 1880, Ivan Petroff, appointed special agent to the United States for the 10th Census, reported two villages about seven miles apart, "Togiagamute", population 276 and "Togiak Station", population 28, location of the training post. Both were along the south shore, across the Bay from the current village location.

For nearly 100 years, through the early 1880's, the fur trade was the primary source of European trade goods for Togiak's Yupik people.

In 1884, the first salmon canneries were built in Bristol Bay and salmon quickly replaced fur as Bristol Bay's most important industry. Cannery tugs towed sailing boats to Togiak for villagers to use fishing the lucrative red salmon run. When the run was finished, the boats were towed back to Dillingham. Today most Togiak fishermen have limited entry permits for drift and set net fishing.

The first Moravian chapel was established at Togiak, following visits to the area in 1884, and it had been an outstation since establishment of a church at Nushagak in 1886. Togiak tradition has it that the Moravians held a meeting. They wanted to build a church on the north shore of the Bay, in the current location of Togiak, because firewood gathering was more difficult on the south shore. This began the migration to the north shore, at the mouth of the Nasaurluq, named for a young woman who was tragically trapped in mud and drowned on the incoming tide.





Old photo of Togiak kayak.

During the first half of the twentieth century there were no stores in Togiak. Some residents travelled by open boat up the coast the mining community of Platinum where they traded and bought trade goods to augment their subsistence lifestyles. Other

Togiak residents working at the Dillingham canneries brought goods back to Togiak.

There was an additional migration of families from the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region to Togiak, following the influenza epidemic of 1918-19. “Togiak Village” was published in the 1947 Coast Pilot. The population of Togiak was 108 in 1950.

A school was established in Togiak in 1950. A school building and National Guard Armory were built in 1959. Early bush pilots landed in the bay on floats and on the spit. Togiak’s first runway was built on what is now First Avenue in the 1960’s and was later moved to its present location.

Togiak was flooded in the 1964 Alaska Earthquake/Tsunami with much damage to the community. A number of families left Togiak following the flood, to found the neighboring village of Twin Hills.

Togiak was incorporated as a second-class city, located in Bristol Bay Recording District, in 1969. Togiak’s population is 817 (DCED 2010).

Culture and Subsistence

Togiak is a traditional Yupik Eskimo village with a fishing and subsistence life style. The Community depends heavily on subsistence activities. Salmon, herring, seal, walrus, ducks, geese, moose and caribou are among the species harvested. Bird eggs are gathered early summer, berries in late summer and fall. Traditional foods are processed and stored according to custom for year round use. Fur bearing animals are trapped in winter.



Salmonberries



Dried fish and seal oil with soy sauce



Dried salmon strips

Soils and Geology



Togiak resides in a low-lying coastal plain consisting mostly of unconsolidated alluvial and marine sediments with localized glacial drift. The deposits are silt, sand and gravel overlain with volcanic ash.

Facilities

City of Togiak

Community water and sewer was installed in 1976 and most houses are connected to the community water sewer system. Water is obtained from water wells and stored in a 500,000-gallon tank for distribution to those on the public water system. 125 residents are connected to the piped water and sewer system. Effluent is discharged into the sewage lagoon, which the City owns and operates. The system has passed its service life and its pipes, valves and connections are in need of replacement.

The City has built and has operated a new landfill since 2010. New homes are in place in Togiak heights and the community has a clinic and health aid. The City of Togiak has developed a rock products quarry/pit with a goal to produce all grades of rock products for construction in Togiak and surrounding area. The quarry has been in operation since 2010 and provides materials that meet State of Alaska specifications. A dock in Togiak facilitating the sale and export of Togiak rock products is a community goal.

The City maintains facilities for Police and First Responders/Fire/EMS but they are not adequate for the community's needs. The City owns and maintains the Family Resource Center, which houses a branch of the University of Alaska Bristol Bay Campus, city offices, and rental units for visitors. The City now owns the former school property and its buildings. The City maintains heavy equipment for its maintenance and construction functions.

South West Regional School District

A new K-12 school was completed in Togiak in 2004, the largest school in Bristol Bay, at 229 students.

State of Alaska

The State of Alaska owns and operates a 4,400 ft. lighted gravel runway with a 1,200 ft. gravel crosswind strip.



Togiak School

Traditional Council of Togiak

The Traditional Council of Togiak (TCT) completed its new Togiak Seafood's, seafood processing facility in Togiak in 2009, adding 100 jobs to the Togiak economy. TCT, through its funding managed by the Bristol Bay Housing Authority, operates teacher-housing apartments, the senior Housing complex, a 5 unit facility for Togiak Elders, multiple multi-family duplexes, and three 4-unit apartment complexes.

Togiak Natives Limited

Togiak Natives Limited (TNL) owns and operates Togiak's fuel storage tanks and distributes petroleum products. TNL provides retail sales of gasoline, heating oil and other petroleum products.

Alaska Village Electric Association (AVEC)

Operates Togiak's electric utility, providing service from its generation plant in downtown Togiak. The community of Togiak wishes to upgrade, improve and replace its current electric generation system with more efficient, cost effective electric power generating technology, with the goal of reducing power costs in Togiak. Work with AVEC and Denali Commission. The new/upgraded power generation facility should be located in proximity to the new bulk fuel storage tank farm at the agreed location identified by the Traditional Council, Togiak Natives Limited and the City of Togiak. Expand the power grid to service to the growing community. Add poles and lines to connect new subdivisions.

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation BBAHC maintains and operates the Heath Clinic in Togiak. Togiak Seafood's is a Sub-Regional hub activity, providing a local market for fish. Togiak is the second largest city in the Region and has the largest school. Togiak has two flight services based in Togiak. Togiak has become a Hub in 2013.

Commercial Fisheries Processing Plant



Togiak Seafoods Processing facility

Togiak Seafoods processing facility is operational. It provides a market for high quality fish for Togiak fisherman. Togiak Seafoods, 50% Tribally owned, is now working to improve its product branding, increase market share and accelerate the vertical integration of a local administration and work force. The

Togiak Seafoods plant is not operating at optimal capacity or efficiency due to *Togiak Seafoods* limitations in the transportation infrastructure.

Togiak Airport

Togiak's ability to deliver fresh fish to market is dependent on its runway. Today Togiak does not have sufficient runway length to load a departing C-130 beyond 75% capacity. Its surface is degraded by the increasing heavy traffic. This is a significant obstacle as Bristol Bay's first village owned fish processing facility ramps up more efficient, economic operations. As Togiak Airport traffic increases, particularly heavy multi-engine aircraft hauling fish, the dust problem increases. The gravel runway will continue to impose air quality, health and safety issues for Togiak residents.

The Togiak Airport is an essential and important part of Togiak's future and must grow and keep up with the community's need. To do this, the airport must be able to service the types of aircraft that are using it in increasing numbers now, and will continue to use the Togiak Airport into the foreseeable future. These aircraft are the DeHaviland DHC-8-300, Beechcraft 1900D Fairchild Metroliner III, SAAB 340, Douglas DC-6 and Lockheed Hercules C130-L382. Of these aircraft, a fully loaded C-130 requires the most runway. Togiak's current runway is 4,400 ft. long, which limits the C-130 to 75% capacity out of Togiak. The runway is in need of dust abatement. Ruts and standing water are now serious safety issues to flight operations. An upgraded and resurfaced runway, minimum length of 5,000 ft., is the minimum requirement necessary to serve Togiak now and in the future.

In 2012, the U.S. Post Office had designated Togiak a Sub-Regional Hub. A sub-regional medical facility is needed which will result new direct air traffic links between Goodnews Bay, Platinum, Quinhagak, Twin Hills and Manakotak, with direct flights between Togiak and Anchorage.

A state-owned 4,400' long by 75' wide lighted gravel airstrip with a 981' long by 59' wide crosswind airstrip is available. Scheduled and chartered flights are dispatched from Dillingham.

Road System

Togiak currently maintains an estimated 22 miles of local gravel roads including the streets in Togiak and the road between Togiak and Togiak Heights, the new school facilities, the solid waste disposal site, the sewer disposal facilities and the rock and gravel quarry.

Public Utilities

The City of Togiak operates and maintains an underground piped public water system in Togiak proper, supplied by a community well. The City of Togiak operates and maintains an underground sewer system in Togiak proper which discharges into a waste water treatment facility. The City operates and maintains a solid waste disposal site. These facilities have been improved and upgraded as necessary in order to provide continuous high quality service to the community and must be upgraded in the future to continue this service. Water and waste water service for development in Togiak Heights are provided by onsite systems maintained by the owners.

Water System Renovation and Upgrade

Phase 1, 2012, funded: Construction is not funded yet. Replace water and wastewater mains, starting at one end of the City, the North Loop. Replace PVC (20 year useful life) with HDP (100 yr. life), and copper connects. Phase II, Continue. Seek ANTHC/VSW funding, Phase III, 2015-beyond: \$12m total to complete. Add street surface grading and drainage improvements to project.

Fuel Storage

Togiak wants to consolidate bulk fuel storage and provide full retail service from the facility. The City of Togiak, TNL, AVEC and the School have separate tank farms. TNL will operate the new facility and provide fuel/rent space to AVEC and the School. TNL currently delivers fuel to the school with fuel truck. The project will include a new fuel header at the waterfront for off-loading petroleum produces.

Economy and Statistics

Togiak is a coastal community with an economy based on the commercial fishing industry followed by government services - City, School and Tribe - and subsistence. 244 residents hold commercial fishing permits and most fish with flat bottom boats in Togiak Bay.

There are two on – shore fish processing plants in Togiak bay, the long operating Togiak Fisheries plant, North Pacific Fisheries, and the recently completed (2008) Togiak Seafood's processing facility in Togiak. There are two stores, several commercial flying services, four bed and breakfasts, two tourist fishing lodges served out of Togiak and a number of fishing guides. Some residents trap commercially.

The ocean's harvest provides Togiak with the bulk of its income. The Togiak Seafood's fish processing facility, 50% owned by the Traditional Council of Togiak completed its third year of operations in 2011. The Togiak Seafood's plant is leading the way in Bristol Bay to establishing

a market for the highest quality fresh salmon. Togiak Seafood pays 90% more than its competitors from this premium fish. This challenge to traditional markets and pricing resulted in an injection of \$1.6 million in the Togiak economy in 2010, and a further \$8-10 million throughout Bristol Bay. Togiak’s annual income has risen significantly and its population decline has been reversed since Togiak Seafood’s began operation.

The 2013 American Community Survey (ACS) estimated:

- 182 residents employed.
- Local unemployment rate was 51%.
- Percentage of workers not in labor force was 248
- Average median household income (in 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars) was \$45,385 (MOE+/- \$5,433).
- About 22.8% of all residents had incomes below the poverty level.

All ACS statistics are published with their respective margin of error (MOE). Some of the statistics here are calculated from the original ACS data. The MOE was unable to be carried through the calculations.

2010 Top Occupations

	Number of Workers	Female	Male	Age 45 and over	Age 50 and over
Teacher Assistants	30	24	6	15	9
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	22	18	4	4	0
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers	17	2	15	1	1
Cashiers	15	15	0	1	1
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	13	9	4	7	7
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	12	4	8	7	5
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	10	9	1	2	1
Personal Care Aides	8	2	6	5	3
Retail Sales Persons	7	6	1	0	0
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	7	3	4	0	0
Security Guards	6	3	3	3	3
Sales and Related Workers, All Other	5	3	2	1	0
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	5	3	2	1	0

2010 Top Employers

Southwest Regional Schools	Traditional Council of Togiak
City of Togiak	Togiak Bay Supplies
AK Commercial Co.	Togiak Natives Limited
Togiak Seafoods	Alaska Island Air
Bristol Bay Area Health Corp.	Coupchiak Aviation

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section.

Industries

	Number of Workers	Percent of total employee	Female	Male	Age 45 and over	Age 50 and over
Natural Resources and Mining	3	1.1	0	3	0	0
Construction	5	1.9	1	4	0	0
Manufacturing	23	8.6	19	4	5	1
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	51	19.2	34	17	8	5
Information	1	0.4	0	1	0	0
Financial Activities	3	1.1	1	2	2	2
Professional and Business Services	1	0.4	0	1	1	1
Educational and Health Services	25	9.4	15	10	10	6
Leisure and Hospitality	2	0.8	0	2	0	0
State Government	7	2.6	4	3	4	4
Local Government	122	45.9	59	63	54	39
Other	23	8.6	18	5	8	7

2010 Census Age and Sex

	Total	Male	Female
Total	817	425	392
Under 5 years	86	45	41
5 to 9 years	80	37	43
10 to 14	90	50	40
15 to 19	96	45	51
20 to 24	64	35	29
25 to 29	54	26	28
30 to 34	40	21	19
35 to 39	30	15	15
40 to 44	43	24	19
45 to 49	55	34	21
50 to 54	53	25	28
55 to 59	50	29	21
60 to 64	20	9	11
65 to 69	14	9	5
70 to 74	12	6	6
75 to 79	11	4	7
80 to 84	12	7	5
85 years and over	7	4	3
Median age			
Both	Male	Female	
24.5	25.2	23.5	

Population Estimates

Year	Population	
2000	809	
2001	784	
2002	804	
2003	815	
2004	797	
2005	774	
2006	775	
2007	774	
2008	788	
2009	808	
2010	817	
	Median Age	
Both	Men	Female
24.5	25.2	23.5

Race

	Number	Percent
White	45	5.5
Black	2	0.2
American Indian/AK Native	637	78.0
Asian	0	0.0
Pacific Islander	1	0.1
Other	2	0.2
Two or more races	130	15.9

Household and Family Size

Average household size	3.54
Average family size	4.05

Vacancy Rates

Total housing units	26.1
Homeowner vacancy rate	0.0%
Rental vacancy rate	11.1%

Community of Togiak Vision

The vision of the community of Togiak is the community's expression of itself and what it wishes it would become in the future. It will provide guidance and direction for Togiak's leaders. They will focus on activities and operations that strengthen Togiak's ability to achieve its vision.

Nature and the Environment are very important to Togiak residents. They care greatly about their natural setting, its scenic environment and the land and sea that surround them. They will strive to protect this environment and their lifestyles within it, particularly subsistence and village life with a highest regard for family, home and environment.



*Togiak Elder, Late
Annie Blue*

Yupik Culture is central to Togiak's residents. Togiak wishes to strengthen its Yupik culture and Native traditions and incorporate their positive influences in Togiak. Togiak is the largest Native community on Bristol Bay. Togiak wishes to provide guidance and leadership in the region through a strong and viable Yupik culture.

Togiak residents are proud of their accomplishments and first among these are those that are economically sustainable. This is a Togiak priority. Togiak has a school, offices for community activities, a rock products quarry and pit, seafood processing plant, an elder housing facility, infrastructure improvements, boosting community pride through the community's accomplishments. Togiak wishes to continue improving the City of Togiak with a vision of a time when there will be fewer dusty roads, more sustainable facilities and vibrant commercial enterprises. Togiak wishes to continue to grow and develop, in an economically sustainable way.

Togiak residents see Togiak continuing to grow into a sub-regional hub serving Bristol Bay communities from Quinhagak to Manakotak. This hub has a number of spokes – transportation, commercial, health and safety, educational and cultural – and they all attach to the Togiak Hub.

The three governing bodies in Togiak are the Traditional Council of Togiak, the City of Togiak, and the Togiak Natives Limited. They are entrusted by the people to manage Togiak's affairs on a daily basis and guide them to the future. Their Tri-Council meets quarterly or on called basis to discuss goals and projects and coordinate their efforts to achieve them. Their continuity of vision, common goals and coordination are on-going sources of pride for the community.

It is the vision of Togiak that its residents will continue to strive to:

- Preserve their natural heritage and culture
- Encourage strong Tribal values and leadership
- Maintain a healthy community by prohibiting the sale and importation of Alcohol & Drugs
- Participate in the education of its children to insure that the combination of traditional culture and positive western values are taught to Togiak's youth
- Participate directly in the community's growth by providing input and guidance
- Promote, encourage and support sustainable economic growth for Togiak residents
- Develop opportunities for the community to increase its economic independence
- Continually upgrade and improve its internet capacity



Togiak Community activity.

The community of Togiak will strive to grow in the following manner:

- Build and improve streets and roads
- Upgrade, improve and build new water and sewer infrastructure
- Replace the existing bulk fuel storage facility
- Upgrade Togiak's aging electric power generation plant with a more efficient and economic feasibility
- Construct new housing and provide opportunity for housing expansion through new subdivision development
- Create new jobs and opportunities
- Strengthen community involvement in the management of resources
- Encourage and support the cultural component in educational and social activities



Everets Air bringing cargo,



Togiak Native Limited cargo building.



Family Resource Center.

The community of Togiak's input from meetings and surveys includes:

Jobs

- Provide job opportunities to keep young adults working in Togiak. They are Togiak's leaders for tomorrow. Create jobs for them in Togiak.
- More Togiak ownership of jobs in Togiak.
- Bring jobs currently based in regional centers that have Togiak job descriptions and responsibilities to Togiak.
- Encourage Federal and State agencies to locate offices in Togiak.
- Improve job opportunities with USF&W, ADF&G hire and based in Togiak.
- Provide job training specific to Togiak employment needs.
- Emphasize job sustainability and retention, keep employees working in Togiak.

Togiak as a Hub

- Support the activities for the Tuguryak Conservation District/Watershed Council.
- Provide co-ordination and administration and support for Bristol Bay Elder-Youth programs and retreats to strengthen Bristol Bay Yupik Communities.
- Provide vocational training for youth in the hub service area.
- Reduce the costs of goods and services with improved transportation access through the Togiak hub.
- Secure Sub Regional clinic, US Postal hub, Air freight, fish, rock, training, watershed council
- Promote rock products sales
- Secure deep water port.
- Secure runway improvements – increasing length to improve economics of air freight, dust abatement, structural upgrades
- Provide accommodations and facilities for visitors, visiting professionals and agency service providers.



Togiak City Dock.



Rock Quarry



Road in Togiak

Education and Schools

- More local participation and involvement in programming and education decisions so Togiak students graduate with skills relevant to Togiak life.
- Increase cultural, traditional and Yupik language and regional studies.
- Increase campus and course offerings through the UAF Bristol Bay Campus satellite school in Togiak.
- Develop a vocational training center in – See Bering Sea Sub Network for demographic, etc.
- Upgrade and improve internet service in Togiak whenever possible.
- Participate in Regional programs specific to gaining understanding and knowledge specific to life in Bristol Bay and the Bering Sea community:
 - Bering Sea Sub Network
 - Bering Sea Integrated Ecological Research Project:
 - Focus on Subsistence Lifestyles
 - Gather traditional ecological knowledge
 - Recognize and understand the regional issues of a changing climate



Togiak School

Culture

- Bring Elders and Youth together to teach tomorrow's leaders through:
- Youth leadership activities
- Elder/Youth camping ties and mentoring programs
- Watershed council
- Cultural preservation
- Preserving/encouraging/promoting

Parks and Recreation

- Landscaping, trees, parks
- Develop community garden plots to test composting, soil enhancements for growing vegetables, root crops
- Dedicate summer trails for subsistence travel and designated access to traditional use areas.
- Improve trails and provide bridges, environment protective matting
- Recreation for youth: Basketball court, New recreation hall, playground and sport fields

Development Projects

Infrastructure Projects

Communications

- Get high speed internet locally owned/operated
- Improve phones so 911 works consistently

Transportation

- Dust abatement- pave/surface Togiak roadways and airport runways.
- Use water truck for dust abatement in the interim. Construct subdivision streets providing access for community expansion
- Fence airport for safety. Keep Kids on ATV's off the runways.
- Improve street illumination with more street light
- Provide transportation for seniors, a "elderly van"
- Construct covered bus stop for kids.

Commercial Development Projects

Guiding:

- Increase local ownership and work opportunities in the field
- Provide Trips up river
- Provide opportunities for sight-seeing, bird watching, etc.
- Rural tourism

Local Arts and crafts:

- Encourage and support local artisans and crafts people
- Assist them to market their products
- Host cultural events in city facilities
- Internet Marketing for arts & crafts

Air transportation and airport:

- Upgrade and lengthen airport to serve commercial, health, safety and hub needs.

Gravel/rock quarry:

- Develop quarry to expand and maximum materials offered that meet State and Federal specification.
- Update Rock Quarry Development Plan
- Secure heavy equipment necessary for expanded operations
- Market quarry products for construction locally and in the Bering Sea Market
- Develop armor rock potential
- Deep –water access export

Commercial Enterprises to encourage and support:

- Commercial fishing supply store
- Restaurant
- Laundromat
- Hotel/rooms
- Taxi-cab
- Theater, Bowling Alley
- Bank/more financial services locally
- Garage/shop for repairs
- Storage, storage building
- Mini store for Togiak heights
- Retail outlet—lumber, hardware, fishing supplies
- Hair salon
- Keep limited entry permits in Togiak
- Childcare/Daycare
- Container Vans for hazardous material

Community Development Projects

Housing:

- Renovation and rehab to improve existing homes in Togiak
- Provide affordable housing for Togiak elders.
- Provide opportunity for affordable housing for Togiak residents.

- Return to HUD housing program to Togiak.

Sub-Regional Medical Center/Clinic:

- A sub-regional clinic is planned for Togiak. Existing clinic facilities are no longer adequate for Togiak. The Medical Center will serve Twin Hills, Goodnews Bay, Platinum and Manokotak as well as Togiak and will be expanded to accommodate this.

Health and Wellness:

- Togiak Togiak Wellness Committee Mission Statement reads, “To preserve our cultural values and traditions while stimulating Tuyuryaq values for education, promotion of economic growth and development.” The community wishes to take a more proactive approach to health and wellness, by providing a template for achieving broader health and wellness, including diet and exercise and, more specifically in these critical areas:

Child Abuse

- The community seeks guidance, and funding for child abuse awareness and prevention programs. Understanding child abuse and providing counseling and education in the community will reduce the incidence of child abuse.

Alcohol and Substance Abuse

- The community wishes to have more involvement in this process so youths with non-felony alcohol and substance abuse problems can be dealt with first, locally, through the Tribal Court System. Alcohol and substance abuse are problems in Togiak. Young people are caught in the trap of trying alcohol and drugs and when apprehended often face incarceration in the criminal justice system.

Domestic Violence/Women in Crisis

- Understanding domestic violence and providing counseling and education in the community will reduce the incidence of domestic violence and abuse.

Emergency Crisis Shelter

- Togiak is in critical need of a facility where women, children and those suffering from domestic violence can find shelter and protection on an immediate emergency basis. A network of care givers, available 24/7, must be available and on call. This is a critical need for the community and its funding is a priority.

Public Safety Facility

- Togiak’s public safety facilities and equipment are inadequate. The fire truck is 25 years old and the truck and its equipment must be upgraded or replaced. The volunteer staff is in need of both EMS and fire training and certification.
- A new facility is needed located above the 100 year flood plain. The facility will include heated bays for both EMS ambulance and Fire Service tanker/truck. It will have storage

for additional emergency equipment including search and rescue and Hazardous Materials (Haz Mat), offices for EMS, Fire and Police and a jail with two holding cells dedicated to minors so minor offenders can serve time locally.

EMS/emergency services:

- Training and certifications
- Building, garage, storage, office
- Vehicles
- Community ambulance
- EMS equipped snow machines, skiffs, and ATVs

Fire department/fire services:

- Truck/Tanker
- Training and certifications
- Building, garage, storage, office
- Water tank reservoir for fire prevention at Togiak Heights area

Police/VPSO

- Office
- Vehicles
- Building, garage, storage, office
- Equipment and turnouts

Note: Combining these three services in one Public Safety Building, if possible, will make the best use of space.



Current VPSO Building

Community Services Facilities/Recondition surplus school building

The old school facilities are extensive and include classrooms, kitchen facilities, shop; Gymnasium and other space available. The facilities can support a wide variety of uses. The facilities can be refurbished/renovated/ converted as needed on a funds available basis.

The potential uses include:

Cultural Center

- Promote cultural activities—basket makers, carvers, artists and space for teaching traditional skills and values
- Teen center/ Boys and Girls Club
- Gift shop
- City Gym/health and fitness center
- Vocational Tech Education Center
- Internet Café
- Radio station
- Place for weddings, funerals, potlucks, conferences
- Tribal Court
- Facilities for keeping juveniles locally for incarceration in a “tough love” camp environment for teens
- Child Care facilities
- Cultural Camp for Youth/Elders

The 2015 Comprehensive Plan

Togiak has followed the development strategies outlined in its 1985 Togiak Capital Improvements Plan its 2000 Community of Togiak Master Economic Development Strategies as consolidated in its 2006, and 2012 Comprehensive Plan, which this plan replaces. The 2015 Comprehensive Plan validates some of those earlier goals and recommendation, modifies others and introduces new ones to meet the community of Togiak’s current projected development needs into the future. In addition, this plan identifies projects that have completed and are recognized here.

Planning Goals

- Pursue and promote development that is economically sustainable by placing facilities and activities in areas where similar activities and facilities already exist to maximize use of limited and increase efficiency through centralization.
- Improve emergency services in Togiak to acceptable standards and constructing emergency services facilities with sufficient space for emergency rescue vehicles, fire vehicles, administration, training and storage.
- Relocate, consolidate and upgrade bulk fuel storage and electric generation facilities and Upgrade and expand Togiak’s transportation and utility infrastructure to serve a growing community
- Strengthen and develop Togiak’s Yupik cultural ties

Strategies

Land Use Areas

Housing

- Group new housing areas in and adjacent to Togiak Heights to provide for economical utilities distribution and access road construction.

Utilities/services

- Group service functions when possible to facilitate efficient use by maintenance staff.
- Relocate and consolidate electric utility generators and Bulk fuel tank farm to the location in the area (see maps A1, A3) designated for this
- Incorporate alternative power sources, Wind and Hydro- electric power into Togiak's grid

Community Facilities

- Relocate existing and locate new public safety facilities to areas designated for this use (see maps A1, A2, A4), specifically above 100-year flood plane to make them less vulnerable during natural disasters.
- Renovate, develop, and utilize the Old School facilities

Commercial Facilities

- Group commercial maritime/waterfront facilities in the area currently used to support waterfront activities (see maps A1, A3)
- Provide goods and services in the growing Togiak based seafood industry
- Provide commercial rock products to contractors for projects in Togiak, Bristol Bay and the greater Bering Sea communities.
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Sub-Regional Clinic

- Develop Togiak Sub-Regional Clinic serving Togiak, Platinum, Goodnews Bay, Twin Hills, Quinhagak, and Manokotak.
- Provide healthcare to fishing and seafood processing industry

Infrastructure

Transportation

- Its city streets are not adequately drained and they flood every year. Streets need upgrades.

- The runway needs to be lengthened and upgraded for heavy aircraft. Water and sewer needs to be upgraded and pipes replaced.

Secure Storage Yard

- Provide a fenced, secure facility for storing boats when they are out of the water, located adjacent to the dock and boat ramp.

Sea Wall

- Maintain and continue repairs needed for damage, on the overall length of the seawall.

Road System

Upgrade BIA IRR inventory to include:

- Traditional historic trails
- Subdivision streets
- School access
- Deep water port access
- Dust abatement
- Drainage

Road system goals:

- Raise portion of Togiak Heights access road that is below plane to provide emergency access to high ground
- Dust abatement in Togiak and at the Airport
- Improve Drainage in Togiak
- Togiak to Togiak River future access road – alternative boat launch facilities,
- Bridge to Twin Hills –Togiak River and extend to Twin Hills
- Safer access road to school
- Extend quarry/dump road to Platinum and Goodnew Bay providing overland access for outlying villages to the sub-regional Hub at Togiak.
- Extend road system 6 miles southwest along beach for deep-water access.
- Provide access to properties for new subdivisions and private development

Public Utilities

- The City operates and maintains a solid waste disposal site. These facilities must be upgraded in the future to continue this service.

Water System Renovation and Upgrade

- Phase 1, 2012, funded: Construction is not funded yet. Replace water and wastewater mains, starting at one end of the City, the North Loop. Replace PVC (20 year useful life)

with HDP (100 yr. life), and copper connects. Phase II, Continue. Seek ANTHC/VSW funding, Phase III, 2015-beyond: \$12m total to complete. Add street surface grading and drainage improvements to project.

AVEC Electrical Power System

- Upgrade, improve and replace its current electric generation system with more efficient, cost effective electric power generating technology, with the goal of reducing power costs in Togiak. Work with AVEC and Denali Commission. The new/upgraded power generation facility should be located in proximity to the new bulk fuel storage tank farm at the agreed location identified by the Traditional Council, Togiak Natives Limited and the City of Togiak. Expand the power grid to service to the growing community. Add poles and lines to connect new subdivisions.

Alternative Power-Hydro and Wind

- Reduce its dependency on petroleum generated electricity with Hydro and Wind generated electricity. An electrical intertie linking Twin Hills to Togiak eliminating duplicating services may now be feasible. The community has a 1982 “Reconnaissance Study the Togiak Hydro Electric Project” identifying two sites for impoundment on the Kurtluk River with water piped to a power plant at a lower elevation. That study recommended that site K-1 could be economical and warranted further study.
- Since that time Togiak’s road system has been extended to the proposed power plant site and the cost of petroleum generated electricity has risen higher. These new developments warrant re-visiting this program. The Traditional Council of Togiak is currently pursuing funding to move the project forward.

Fuel Storage

- Togiak wants to consolidate bulk fuel storage and provide full retail service from the facility. TNL will operate the new facility and provide fuel/rent space to AVEC and the School.

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Map B - Togiak Heights



Map C Area Map



TOGIAK AREA USE MAP SHEET 4 1"=1000' (2003 PHOTOGRAPHY)

Attachments

Joint resolution

Traditional Council of Togiak
Togiak Natives Limited
City of Togiak

A Resolution Adopting Togiak Comprehensive Plan of May 2015

Joint Resolution 2015-18

WHEREAS, the Traditional Council of Togiak (TCT) is the governing body for the Federally recognized Tribe of Togiak whose members are predominantly Yupik Eskimo and

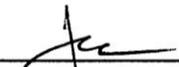
WHEREAS, The City Council (City) is the governing body for the City of Togiak, a second class city, which provides city services in Togiak, and

WHEREAS, Togiak Natives Limited. Inc (TNL), is a corporation created under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA), which holds title to the surface rights of substantial property in Togiak, and

WHEREAS, TCT, the City and TNL are committed to the organized, systematic development of Togiak over time in a fashion consistent with the wishes of the community of Togiak, and

WHEREAS, The Togiak Comprehensive Plan of May 2015, represents the wishes of the community of Togiak.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,, the Council of Traditional Council of Togiak, the City Council of Togiak, and the Board of Directors of Togiak Native Limited, jointly adopt the Togiak Comprehensive Plan of May 2015.



Jimmy Coopchiak, President
Traditional Council of Togiak

5/22/2015

Date



Teodoro Pauk, Mayor
City of Togiak

5-21-15

Date



Jimmy Coopchiak, President
Togiak Natives Limited

5/22/2015

Date

Togiak Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Prepared in 2009 by the City of Togiak, WHPacific and Bechtol Planning & Development

For a copy of this plan contact the city of Togiak at 907-493-5820 or download a copy off the State of Alaska website in the Planning & Land Management on community plans and Infrastructure Libraries

<http://commerce.state.ak.us/dnn/dcra/PlanningLandManagement/CommunityPlansAndInfrastructure.aspx>

Bristol Bay Regional Vision Report

In spring 2010, five regional organizations in Bristol Bay Alaska partnered to design a process through which residents could envision the future of their region. For more information about the Bristol Bay Vision go to <http://www.bristolbayvision.org/> to get the full report and vision statement