

Interior AK Think Tank
Meeting Summary – Priority #2: Cost of Energy
July 12, 2006

SHORT TERM VISION

GOALS

- Lower cost of energy by:
 - Developing alternative energy scenarios for Interior AK that would supply stable, low-cost energy in the short term. (We called this the “transitional” energy scenario).
 - Maintaining cooperative structure for direct cost savings to the Community.
 - Set aside portion of the cost savings as a renewable energy fund for the long- term

TACTICS

- Brainstorm “transitional” energy scenarios. Those discussed in the meeting include:
 1. Vertical Integration
 2. Hedging
 3. Susitna Dam project
- Involve the community in the selection of the best option
- Work with stakeholders and public officials to implement chosen project
- Work with legislators (state and federal) to redirect funding towards development of AK renewable resources

LONG TERM VISION:

GOALS

- Lower cost of energy by:
 - Utilizing renewable sources of energy in Interior AK (20-2020 model was proposed: 20% renewable power by year 2020)
 - Implementing energy conservation and efficiency measures

TACTICS

- Develop renewable resources using \$\$ from renewable energy fund (see below)
- Promoting energy conservation and efficiency (not really discussed)
- Utilize existing government funds (grants, etc.) to develop renewable resources

GOALS FOR NEXT MEETING OR MEETINGS:

- Further brainstorm transitional energy scenarios, in addition to the ones already identified
- Identify key players, tactics, and barriers for each scenario
- Choose best scenario? Develop “action plan” for chosen scenario?