

**Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium - Alaska Rural Utilities Collaborative Expansion**

**FY2015 Request: \$500,000**  
**Reference No: 58698**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Health/Human Services

**Project Type:** Energy  
**Recipient:** Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

**Location:** Statewide  
**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2019

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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project supports the Alaska Rural Utility Collaborative (ARUC) community retrofit needs. Since 2008 ARUC has been working to operate/manage community water and sewer system. Benefits to communities include lower fuel and parts costs, improved water quality, steady employment of local water operators, reliable water service, and sustainable infrastructure.

| <b>Funding:</b> | <u>FY2015</u> | <u>FY2016</u> | <u>FY2017</u> | <u>FY2018</u> | <u>FY2019</u> | <u>FY2020</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Gen Fund        | \$500,000     |               |               |               |               |               | \$500,000    |
| <b>Total:</b>   | \$500,000     | \$0           | \$0           | \$0           | \$0           | \$0           | \$500,000    |

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|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required | <input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new | <input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going |
| 0% = Minimum State Match % Required           |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment    | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill |  |

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

|                      | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Staff</u> |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Project Development: | 0             | 0            |
| Ongoing Operating:   | 0             | 0            |
| One-Time Startup:    | 0             | 0            |
| <b>Totals:</b>       | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>     |

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P29 L17 SB 18 \$1,750,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

In FY2014, \$1.75 million was appropriated to bring new communities into the collaborative: Scammon Bay, St. Mary's, Buckland, Noatak, and Kasigluk.

The ARUC program is about sustainability of community water and sewer systems. There are approximately 27 ARUC communities at this time. Before ARUC can add additional communities, there are needs in current ARUC community systems that need attention. Five potential projects have been identified for this FY2015 capital project:

- Upper Kalskag sewer efficiency and sustainability project
- Tyonek leak detection and repair project
- Russian Mission lift station solid tank installation
- Ambler water main flooding prevention
- Newhalen lift station electrical rebuild