

ATTAP Newsletter | July 2023



Director's Welcome

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Welcome to the Alaska Region Tribal Technical Assistance Program family. Our mission is to help Alaskan Tribes improve transportation on Tribal lands, access grants, administer those grants, and develop a competitive workforce. Any member of a Tribe or anyone who is working on behalf of an Alaskan Tribe is eligible for training and technical assistance through the program.

The Arctic Infrastructure Development Center (AIDC) at the University of Alaska Fairbanks has partnered

with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to administer the program here in Alaska. AIDC and FHWA are committed to providing Alaska's Native population with the technology and workforce to improve its ability to administer a robust transportation network. This includes training in grant writing and administration, road and trail construction and maintenance, equipment and vehicle operations and one-on-one technical assistance. The exact content of our program depends on you letting us know what you need and desire. We will be updating the needs assessment at least once a year. If you wish to supply input let us know and we'll include you in future training needs assessments. We will also keep you updated on our training calendar. Our TTAP website, [Alaska Tribal Technical Assistance Program \(uaf.edu\)](https://alaska.tribaltechnicalassistanceprogram.uaf.edu), has a wealth of information including availability of training. Check back regularly. We are always adding new information. You can also check out what other TTAP's are doing around the nation. If you don't find what you need, contact us. We're available to help you. The core staff consists of the Director, Billy Connor, Assistant Director Nathan Belz, Assistant Director Vicky Wolf and our student assistant Jerry Carroll. Billy has 54 years of experience in transportation related topics including road construction and maintenance, dust management, construction over permafrost, asphalt pavements and several other specialties. Nathan is well known for traffic engineering, traffic safety, especially in rural areas, and road geometrics. Vicky is your day to day contact for the Alaska TTAP. She is responsible for the maintaining the website, preparing the newsletter, coordinating the training and other logistical tasks. Our student assistant, Jerry Carroll is from Ft. Yukon and will be assisting all of us in bringing you training and technical assistance. We are here to help you in your quest for a better transportation network. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us to request information or training.

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Upcoming Events

Ice Roads Training

August 22, 2023

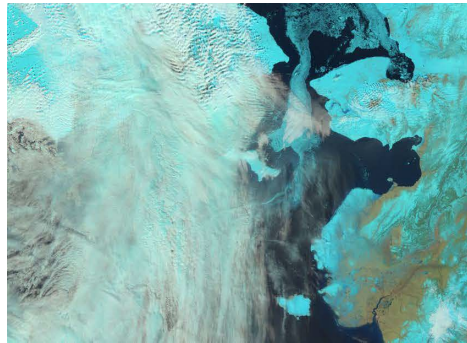
An Ice Roads in Alaska training workshop will be held in Anchorage, Alaska on August 22, 2023 from 9 am to 4:30 pm in the Megan Room, 6591 A Street, Anchorage, Alaska. There is no charge to attend the workshop. Professional development credits are available. The primary purpose of the workshop is to discuss safe and efficient design, construction, maintenance and operation of an ice road. Please register that you are planning to attend the event at [Ice Roads Workshop Registration](#). The email provided in the registration will be used to send further information as the workshop gets closer.



GIS Training

August 24, 2023

GIS Basics Workshop will be held in Fairbanks, Alaska on August 24, 2023 from 9 am to 5 pm on the UAF Main Campus in Duckering Building room 530. This workshop is designed to introduce GIS and its application and importance to transportation sectors. By visualizing and analyzing data, we can approach and solve what would otherwise be complex spatial problems and make smarter transportation decisions. The fundamental components and capabilities of GIS will be covered. No prior experience with GIS is necessary. Please register that you are planning to attend at [GIS Training Registration](#).



NTICC in Anchorage

September 24-28, 2023

The National Transportation in Indian Country Conference is the one-stop-shop transportation conference FOR TRIBES, BY TRIBES. NTICC offers access to relevant training and an opportunity for Tribal transportation professionals to engage with federal officials and their Tribal transportation peers regarding Tribal transportation issues and challenges. For more information, including the agenda and registration, please visit <https://www.nticc.org/>.



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