



Developing the  
Organized Village of Kasaan's  
Tribal Energy Plan

Kasaan, Alaska

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# Mission Statement

The Organized Village of Kasaan is committed to promoting, preserving, and protecting indigenous Haida identity and values. For our elders and youth, we look to the future in unity, by developing economic opportunities, promoting education, and utilizing our cultural, natural, and social resources.

## Vision:

The Organized Village of Kasaan has a long range vision of being economically, socially and culturally self-sustaining.



# History of the Organized Village of Kasaan

- The Organized Village of Kasaan (OVK) is a federally recognized tribal government that was established on October 15, 1938. The organization consists of a seven member tribal council which serves at the pleasure of 100+ tribal memberships.



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# Between Two Worlds



What now??

# We need a plan...

- We need to rediscover sustainability.
- We need to learn to use modern technology to our advantage as opposed to letting it destroy us.
- We need to credit our ancestors and their example of a sustainable way of life.
- We need to heed the warning signs that our world is sending us.
- We need to carefully analyze our situation.
- We need a plan if our people are going to continue to exist.



# First Steps

- Energy Sustainability is a critical element.
- The “First Steps” grant will help us achieve energy sustainability.

# First Objective

- Develop an energy network
  - Ø Identify key stakeholders
  - Ø Hold meetings
  - Ø Take community surveys
  - Ø Develop an energy vision

# Second Objective

- Build Tribal capacity and expertise
  - Ø Attend trainings and conferences
  - Ø Communicate with experts
  - Ø Permitting requirements
  - Ø Research supply & demand side options
  - Ø Increase awareness
  - Ø Bring energy authority representatives to Kasaan

# Third Objective

- Develop Tribal Energy Action Plan
  - Ø Develop energy vision statement
  - Ø Prioritize demand & supply side options
  - Ø Finalize the plan

# One Step at a Time



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