

Strategic Management Plan – Shaktoolik

Facts

- 2010 Population: .251
- 70 housing units, 64 occupied

Draft Vision Statement

Shaktoolik is a safe and resilient community. We want to stay and defend our community from erosion and reduce our risk from hazards. We will work together and with partners to develop projects and policies to protect our residents, infrastructure, natural environment, and subsistence resources. We will increase resiliency while respecting our traditional values. We will preserve and enhance our community for us and future generations.

Summary of Community Issues

Based on literature and community input.

Lack of Capital Funds

- Lacks capital funds to implement adaptation strategy
- Need to identify creative and innovative ways to fund projects

Lack of Community Infrastructure

- Water tank is rusting and wearing out, tank roof needs to be insulated
- Landfill needs to be relocated (in progress)
- Tank farms and sewer lines vulnerable to erosion
- Fuel tanks do not meet US Coast Guard standard, some are too deteriorated to use

Community Morale

- Residents frustrated with lack on tangible progress

Lack of Housing/Overcrowding

- Not enough housing to meet need
- Much of the housing stock needs repair
- Little or no room for expansion

Long-term Objective

- “Defend in place” approach may not be long-term solution
- Concerns about disinvestment experienced by other communities that have decided to relocate

Lack of Refuge

- Lack of high ground
- An evacuation road has been considered bur ultimately deems impractical and expensive

- School is not high enough or large enough to house all the residents

Other

- Need VPSO
- Alcohol- and drug-free community
- More prevention programs
- More employment opportunities
- Residents need to be prepared and have emergency kits