

# Napaskiak Activity Report

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## General Information:

In March, Johnny Evan, RUBA staff in the Bethel office, conducted a Utility Management Assessment on the organization after the Tribal Council approved the RUBA Assistance Agreement.

The community currently has a container haul system in operation subsidized through gaming operations. The Tribal Council conducted a reconnaissance to Napaskiak, Nunapitchuk, and Tuntutuliak to review and observe what kind of water sewer system and what kind of road system they use. After the reconnaissance, they selected the Nunapitchuk flush haul system, and opted to go with the Tuntutuliak boardwalk system. Their VSW Principle Engineer accompanied the group on the reconnaissance. They are currently planning to upgrade their water sewer system.

## Observations and Recommendations:

Finances — Are stable with funds compacted through Association of Village Council Presidents, Inc. Gaming operations subsidizes many of the water and sewer operations in the community.

Accounting Systems — Is computerized through Cougar Mountain, this system is similar to what QuickBooks Pro does.

Tax Problems — They are current with their tax liabilities.

Personnel System — Is very well organized with job descriptions and chart of accounts visible.

Organizational Management — The utility master plan is in process with their current principle engineer. The organization is very organized with a small office space with intent to building a new facility.

Leadership/Governance — The Tribal Council is actively involved in every aspect of managing the governmental responsibilities.

Operation of Utility — Aside from poor designs to the facilities, they are all functional. A rate study will be initiated for their determination. All the utility services are subsidized through gaming operations. The purpose of the rate study will be to have the Tribal Council how much it would cost the residential customers.

**Ranking**

1 = Inadequate

4 = Adequate to meet minimum requirements

7 = Exceeds requirements

<b>Category</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
Finances			<b>X</b>
Accounting Systems			<b>X</b>
Tax Problems		<b>X</b>	
Personnel System			<b>X</b>
Organizational Management			<b>X</b>
Leadership/Governance			<b>X</b>
Operation of Utility		<b>X</b>	