CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE IN THE CANADIAN ARCTIC

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SETTING



REGIONAL IMPACTS

Physical Impacts

Social Impacts

PHYSICAL IMPACTS

- Increasing seasonal temperature variation
- Melting permafrost
- Changing sea ice conditions
- Sea level rise and storm surges
- Coastal erosion





SOCIAL IMPACTS

- Loss of homes and livelihood
- Traditional harvesting practices
 - Ice safety
 - Changing animal migration patterns



CURRENT ACTION





CANADA

Pan-Canadian Framework on clean growth and climate change

YUKON TERRITORIES

Our Clean Future: A Yukon strategy for climate change, energy and a green economy





NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

2030 NWT Climate Change Strategic Framework

NUNAVUT

Upagiaqtavut Climate Change Centre



TUKTOYAKTUK, NWT

A community in crisis



TUKTOYAKTUK, NWT



Tuktoyaktuk and Climate Change



898 residents, 90% identify as Indigenous



Sea level rise and increased storm severity are causing coastal erosion at a rate of approximately 1 to 2 m per year



Estimated costs of \$20-50 million to protect the hamlet from erosion

TUKTOYAKTUK, NWT



PLANNED RETREAT







PROJECT: 16-4098 STATUS: DRAFT

Date: 11/25/2016



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COLLABORATIVE APPROACHES TO RESILIENCE BUILDING

VERTICAL COLLABORATION

Limited resources at the local scale

PROACTIVE vs REACTIVE

Access to resources can impact whether action is prioactive or reactive

MAINSTREAMING

Mainstreaming climate adaptation action within existing local policies







RESILIENCE BUILDING

TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE

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Local knowledge of the landscape and climate bring perspectives often overlooked by "experts"

Indigenous peoples have historically had a high adaptive capacity 18



CONCLUSIONS

113,000 people

live in the Canadian North

Small isolated communities across the Canadian North experiencing significant physical and social impacts.

Time for Canada to approach climate change in the Arctic with a more collaborative mindset.

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QUESTIONS?

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