

CIAP WEAR Trip Report
Council (seasonal summer population 15, winter population 0)
July 30, 2013



Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) Solid Waste Program (Trisha Bower and Kit Persson) conducted a Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP), Waste Erosion Assessment and Review (WEAR) site visit for the Village of Council, July 30th, 2013. Michael Murphy, the local Bed & Breakfast owner helped coordinate our visit. The following narrative is a brief description of our findings during the July inspection.

WEAR Sites

- **Landfill, 64.902185/-163.658057 (Active)** — The landfill is an unfenced area fill landfill. The landfill is currently managed by the seasonal residents of Council and is unpermitted. There is heavy equipment available, and the landfill is managed as needed. The landfill accepts municipal waste and has cover material stockpiled next to the site. Recyclable material is delivered to Nome by local residents. Council is only inhabited during the summer, so the landfill only receives waste during the summer months. The population in Council is variable, but there are usually 10 occupied households at any given time during the summer. The current landfill is located approximately 250 feet inland from the Melsing Creek and approximately 3860 feet from Niukluk River. The landfill is located in an elevated area.



- **Generator Building, 64.89596/-163.68839 (Abandoned)** – This was the old generator building in Council; it is not used currently. The remaining residents in Council rely on personal generators or solar power. The building, equipment and fuel tanks remain abandoned on site, and there was evidence of stained soils. The site is approximately 1240 feet from Niukluk River.

