



# Alaska Climate Workshop Series

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# Thin Ground, Heavy Steps

- Name Significance

## Objectives:

- Serve as an information hub blending indigenous and scientific knowledge
- Create a space for information to be update and released regularly to inform the average person of the climate status in Alaska

## Scope:

- Research + resource creation



Great Alaska earthquake;  
1964; Prince William Sound

# Background Information:

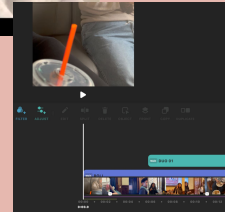
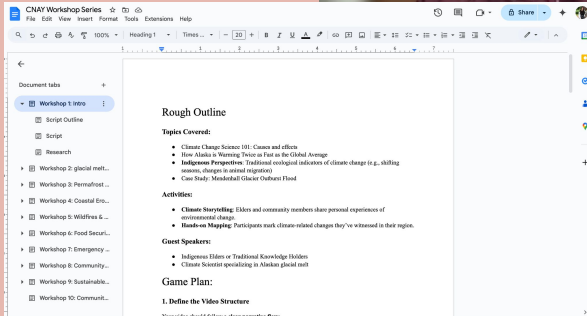
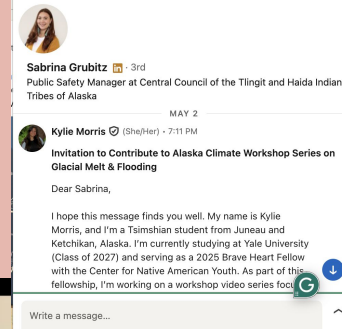
## Why?

- Alaska experiences the effects of climate change 2x faster than other places across the globe
- Juneau Suicide Basin Flood and Tatsuda's Landslide
- Fight for Climate Justice History!
- My project's aim is to blend indigenous and scientific knowledge and practices





# Methodology



## How?

- Research
- Interviews
- Filming
- Editing
- Website Building and Shaping

# Key Outcomes:

**Website Launched:** A publicly accessible website was created to house the workshop series and serve as an ongoing educational resource.

**Personal Empowerment:** I gained confidence and realized my capacity to lead and carry out community-based climate education work.


**Community Engagement:** People expressed genuine interest in the topic, showing that climate change education is both needed and welcome in Alaska communities.

**Relationship Building:** Meaningful connections were formed with scientists, community members, and Indigenous leaders, laying the groundwork for future collaboration and project expansion.

**Interdisciplinary Integration:** Successfully blended Indigenous knowledge with scientific research to create a culturally grounded, informative, and impactful resource.

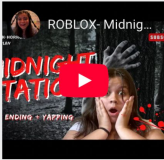
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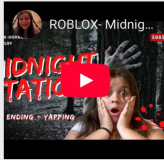
**Kylie Morris**

Kylie is a 2025 Braveheart Fellow from Juneau and Ketchikan, Alaska, and a proud member of the Ketchikan Indian Community. She is Tsimshian and has dedicated countless hours to developing a powerful workshop series aimed at educating the public about the impacts of climate change in Alaska. Through extensive research, interviews with experts, and thoughtful video editing, Kylie has created a resource that thoughtfully weaves together Indigenous knowledge and scientific insight. This workshop series is designed especially for you: to expand your understanding, inspire action, and honor the lived experiences of Alaska Native communities on the frontlines of climate change.



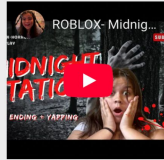
Workshop #1: Introduction

Get grounded in the basics of climate change and how it's uniquely affecting Alaska.



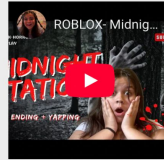
Workshop #2: Thawing Truth

Dive into the realities of glacial melt in Alaska. Learn how shrinking ice impacts ecosystems, communities, and culture.



Workshop #3: Living on Thin Ice

Uncover how thawing permafrost is reshaping Alaska's landscapes and infrastructure. This session explores the deep impacts below the surface.



Workshop #4: Gone with the Tide

Discover how Alaska's coastlines are disappearing. This session looks at the causes, impacts, and community responses to erosion.

# Future Steps

- Connect with the people interviewees have connected with me with
- Remake and edit as information grows
- Get the word out on a more stable platform
- Perhaps make it into a shorts styled workshop and push it across social media avenues
- Continue grow and change with the planet
- Live, learn, love