

Western Alaska Landscape Conservation Cooperative

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I. Mission Statement

The Western Alaska Landscape Conservation Cooperative promotes coordination, dissemination, and development of applied science to inform landscape level conservation, including terrestrial-marine linkages, in the face of landscape scale stressors, focusing on climate change.

II. Guiding principles:

The WA LCC will operate under the following guiding principles:

- Consider and respect each participating organization's unique mandates and jurisdiction.
- Coordinate with other committees, workgroups or organizations that add mutual value, maximize capacity, avoid redundancies, and leverage resources.
- Focus on solving biological, physical, and sociological issues to promote scientifically sound, outcome-based, adaptive management.
- Respect social, political and legal limitations while promoting solutions to landscape-level stressors (climate and related) that benefit the greater Western Alaska conservation community.
- Be transparent in operations and ensure access to the Western Alaska LCC process and products.

III. Western Alaska LCC Goals:

The goals are not presented in priority order.

- Promote communications to enhance understanding regarding effects of climate change in Western Alaska
- Support coordination and collaboration among partners to improve efficiencies in their common science and information activities,
- Identify and support research, and data collection, analysis, and sharing that address common information needs of land and resource management decision makers,
- Enable synthesis of information at landscape and larger spatial scales,
- Enhance resource management in western Alaska through applied science and technology transfer.