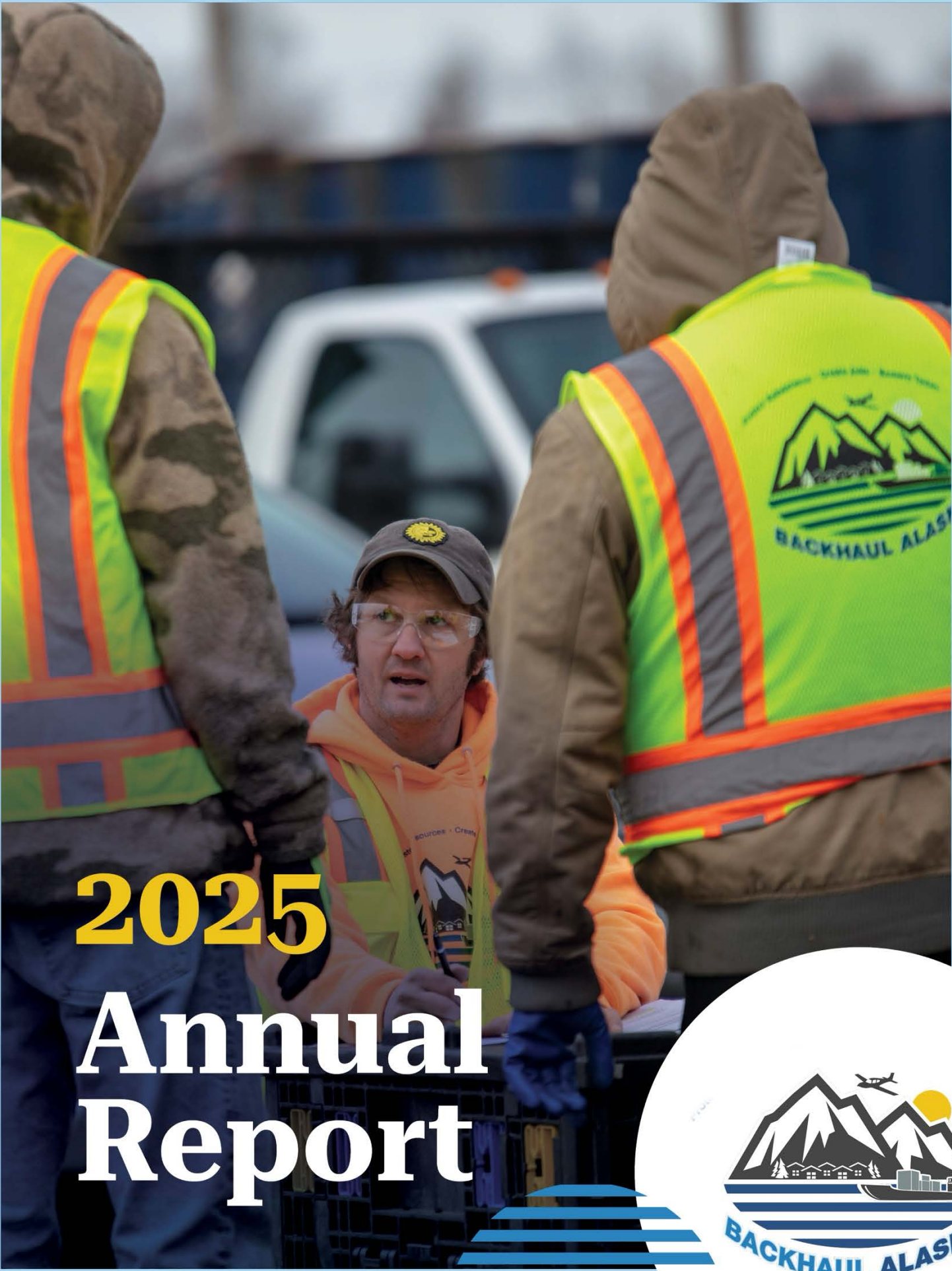




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Introduction

The Backhaul Alaska Program (BAP) is a statewide backhaul program developed and overseen by the Solid Waste Alaska Taskforce (SWAT). The Solid Waste Alaska Taskforce (SWAT) serves as the BAP executive committee and is comprised of representatives from AK DEC Solid Waste Program, ANTHC, Kawerak, Region 10 Tribal Operations Committee Consortium, and Zender Environmental. The ultimate goal of the Program is to establish a statewide backhaul framework allowing all Alaskan communities to efficiently and affordably backhaul harmful and potentially hazardous waste streams. Currently, the Program assists with rural communities' backhaul activities by providing training, supplies, technical & logistics support, onsite assistance, and sponsoring shipping & recycling services.

Background

The BAP Pilot Program was conducted in 2 phases spanning 2018-2021. Following the 4-year pilot phase, 2022-2024 were the first 3 years of the Program's "Initial Implementation" phase. A detailed summary of Program efforts during the pilot phase and subsequent initial implementation years can be found in BAP's 2022-2024 Annual Reports, respectively.

For 2025, the Program looked to build off the progress made in "hub & spoke" development, enroll additional communities, and continue the regional collection events. As performed in previous years, BAP looked to continue providing training opportunities, supplies, and technical assistance to rural AK communities looking to backhaul hard-to-manage materials such as e-scrap, lead acid batteries, and Universal Waste lamps.

Appendix A displays a map of how BAP categorizes Alaskan regions. *Appendix B* displays all the communities that BAP has worked with and are currently considered "enrolled" in the BAP (i.e. eligible to use BAP funds for supplies, shipping, and recycling).

Program Partnerships

Regional Backhaul Partnerships

BAP continues to maintain a close partnership with organizations that help facilitate backhaul activities on a regional level. Each organization provides a point-of-contact to act as a "Regional Coordinator" for the BAP. Regional coordinators act as liaisons between the Program and communities within their regions. Further, regional coordinators:

- Help coordinate backhaul activities & shipments,
- Perform site visits to evaluate readiness, train local staff, and assist in backhaul activities,
- Provide communities with technical assistance and backhaul needs & activities, as necessary,
- Regularly report the backhaul activities and status to the BAP, and
- Participate in monthly regional coordinator meetings.

In 2025, the following organizations act as BAP with regional coordinators:

- Aleutians – Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska (Q-tribe)
- Bristol Bay/Lake & Penn – Bristol Bay Area Health Corp (BBAHC)
- Copper River Native Association (CRNA) – Glennallen/Copper River Valley
- Norton Sound – Kawerak, Inc.



- Interior – Green Star of Interior Alaska
- Kodiak – Kodiak Area Native Association
- Y-K Delta – AVCP

Beyond the regional coordinators listed above, additional coordination assistance has been provided by:

- Curyung Tribe – Dillingham/Greater Dillingham Area, and
- Valley Community Recycling Solutions (VCRS) – Palmer/Matsu Borough.

Business Partnerships

Major program contributions were received from Matson, AK Air Cargo, the Responsible Battery Coalition (RBC), Metro Metals Northwest (Metro), and Total Reclaim during 2025.

Matson

Since 2021, BAP has had the privilege of working with Matson and the Matson Caring for Alaska Program. Over the previous 3 years, freight donations through the Matson Caring for Alaska Program have resulted in:

- 27 shipments
- Over 527,000 lbs of materials backhauled and recycled
- Serving 51 communities

In 2025, Matson's Caring for Alaska Program provided the BAP with additional freight donations. These donations were utilized by the BAP in the following manner:

- 1 Kodiak freight donation – 40ft container
- 2 Unalaska freight donations – 40ft containers
- 1 Port of Anchorage freight donations – 40ft containers
 - 2 utilized in Glennallen, AK
 - 1 utilized in Chitina, AK
 - 1 utilized for separate 4 Matsu Borough Collection Events
 - Talkeetna/Upper Susitna, AK
 - Big Lake, AK
 - Sutton, AK
 - Willow, AK
 - 1 utilized in Copper Center/Kluti-Kaah, AK
 - 1 utilized in Delta Junction, AK

Roughly 165,000 lbs of recyclables were backhauled thru Matson freight donations in 2025. Over 693,000 lbs of material has been shipped through the Matson Caring for Alaska program since 2021.

RBC

RBC is a nonprofit coalition of battery manufacturers, retailers, and recyclers who are committed to the responsible management of end-of-life batteries. The partnership between the BAP and RBC initiated during the Pilot Program and has grown ever since. Currently RBC provides the following:

- Donated shipping from Kodiak, Seattle, & Tacoma (pickup service)
- Donated lead acid battery packaging kits
- Facilitating recycling services from responsible and trusted battery processors
- Funding for PSA and other outreach & media opportunities



- Providing donations based off the core value of lead acid batteries received by RBC partners
- Ongoing logistical and technical assistance

Coming into 2025, roughly 358,000 lbs of lead acid batteries have been recycled through RBC vendors since the partnership's inception. BAP recycled an additional 26,000 lbs thru RBC partners in 2025.

Metro Metals, Northwest

Metro is one of the largest e-scrap processors in the Pacific Northwest and has been a BAP vendor and partner since the Pilot Program. Relevant to their e-scrap processing operation, Metro holds current R2, ISO14001, and ISO45001 certificates. Beyond recycling services for e-scrap, appliances, and scrap metal, Metro provides additional support including, but not limited to the following:

- Donated Feedback on BAP shipping and packaging practices
- Assisting/facilitating regional supply purchases & shipments,
- Participating in BAP trainings and collection events,
- Forwarding of other recyclable materials to appropriate vendors,
- Donated trucking services,
- Providing logistical & technical support, and
- Hosting BAP staff and allowing tours at the Metro Tacoma and Vancouver, WA facilities.

BAP recycled an additional 230,000 lbs through Metro Metals in 2025. Roughly 930,000 lbs of backhaul materials have been recycled through Metro Metals since the partnership's inception (i.e. 2018).

Kawerak – Alaska Airlines In-Kind Backhaul Program

In Fall of 2022, Kawerak and Alaska Air Cargo trialed backhauling palletized e-scrap in lieu of water ballasts. The trial was deemed successful and since May 2023 Alaska Air Cargo began seasonal backhaul shipments of e-scrap from Nome to Anchorage (spring thru fall). A summary of 2025 activities are as follows:

- The backhaul period ran May thru November 2025.
- Kawerak would deliver roughly 2 pallets a week to AK Air Cargo at the Nome airport for subsequent backhaul (space available).
- Upon arrival in Anchorage, Backhaul Alaska staff would either pick up and deliver e-scrap pallets to Central Recycling Services (CRS) in Anchorage or arrange for CRS to pick up the pallets.
- 2025 saw 16 shipments totaling 32,482 lbs of e-scrap.
- Backhaul Alaska covered the pickup and recycling expenses for each shipment.

Total Reclaim

Total Reclaim (TRI) is a recycler of e-scrap, refrigerant, batteries, UW lamps, and mercury bearing devices. TRI has been a partner since the development stage of the BAP. Beyond recycling services, TRI has provided BAP with the following:

- Assisting with supply purchases & shipments,
- Donations of drums, labels, pallets, and other packaging supplies,
- Providing free facilities for BAP backhaul, HazMat, and refrigerant recovery trainings,
- Participating in BAP trainings,
- Ongoing technical assistance, and
- Periodic in-kind household battery and UW lamp recycling.



ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SUPPORTERS

The BAP has continued to benefit from the ongoing funding and support of a wide range of organizations including the EPA, BIA, USDOT-PHSMA, USDA, and Denali Commission.

Ongoing Program support is received by AK DEC Solid Waste Program, ANTHC, Kawerak, Ocean Conservancy, and Zender Environmental. Many other companies, organizations, and groups have supported Program efforts in various aspects.

Summary of 2025 Backhaul & Recycling Activities

2025 COMMUNITIES SERVED

Appendix C & D displays a map and list of communities the BAP worked with in 2025.

Some focuses of the BAP in 2025 were to:

- Further develop & utilize regional hubs in attempt to establish long term backhaul services, including the following:
 - Utilize Dillingham landfill storage area for consolidating areawide e-scrap and universal waste shipments.
 - Partner with Cook Inlet Keeper (CIK) and support the e-scrap backhauls from the villages they serve (Nanwalek, Seldovia, Port Graham, and Ninilchik) to Homer for consolidation and subsequent shipment to Anchorage for recycling.
 - Partner with Kawerak in trialing Marine Debris backhauls to Nome for sorting subsequent backhaul and/or disposal.
 - Maintain current level of road system collection events
 - Explore potential of establishing a collection hub in Bethel, including partnering with an organization who can provide regional coordination.
- Utilize all Matson freight donations out of the Port of Anchorage
- Assist Nelson Island Consortium (NIC) in executing their SWIFR grant funded backhauls (and related activities).
- Begin addressing increased volumes of lithium & lithium-ion batteries.

BAP services were offered, either directly or indirectly (through regional backhaul programs or collection events), to 69 communities in 2025. To date, BAP has been able to offer backhaul services in 107 communities.



SUPPLIES

Backhaul packaging and safety supplies are offered to all newly enrolled communities. In general, standard BAP initial supplies include the following materials:

PPE	QTY	Packaging Materials	QTY
Safety Glasses	10	Vermiculite (or equivalent)	1
Work Gloves (Medium & Large)	6	Stretch Wrap (Box of 4 Rolls)	1
Chemical Gloves (Medium & Large)	6	Tape Gun	1
Chemical Apron	3	Packaging Tape (3 Rolls)	1
First Aid Kit	1	Banding Kit – Banding	1
Splash Goggles	3	Banding Kit – Tensioner	1
Nytrile Gloves (Box of 100)	2	Banding Kit – Banding Clips	1
Labels	QTY	Fish Tote (when available)	1
#8 Corrosive Labels (Roll of 500)	1	Fluorescent lamp boxes (as needed)	-
UW Labels (Pack of 200)	1	Drums (as needed)	-
Materials for Recycle Labels (25)	1	Pallet Jack (as needed)	-
Backhaul Alaska Stickers (25)	1	Lead Acid Battery Packaging Kits (aka “Core Kits” – provided by RBC, as needed)	-
#8 Corrosive Placards (pack of 25)	1		

Additional supplies are provided upon request and Program approval.

Previously enrolled communities needing additional supplies were served either through the hub supplies provided to Regional Coordinators or by directly requesting from the Program.

In late 2024, BAP leased a warehouse in Anchorage and also purchased 2 - 20ft storage connexes resulting in a greatly expanded capacity to order, house, and distribute supplies to communities on an “as needed” basis.



TRAINING

In 2025 BAP continued to provide trainings that cover backhaul best practices, safety, and HazMat Regulations. The Program has provided 4 Backhaul and HazMat Regulation (HMR) training opportunities in 2025 (1 of which was conducted virtually) and also provided the same training content at the annual Rural AK Community Environmental Job Training (RACEJT) Program. Below is a summary of training efforts:

2024 Backhaul and HazMat Regulation Trainings		
Date	Training	Trainee Count
Apr 1-5	Anchorage – RACEJT Backhaul & HMR Training	12
May 13-15	Anchorage – Statewide Backhaul & HMR Training	15
Jun 10-12	Fairbanks – Statewide Backhaul & HMR Training	16
Jul 29-31	Dillingham – Statewide Backhaul & HMR Training	14
Nov 18-20	Virtual – Statewide Backhaul & HMR Training	24
Total Trainees		81



Backhaul and HazMat Regulation Training Participants by Alaskan Communities

Aleutians	
Unalaska	1
Regional Total	1
Bering Strait	
Brevig Mission	1
Shaktolik	1
White Mountain	2
Regional Total	4
Bristol Bay/Lake & Penn	
Aleknagik	1
Dillingham	5
Ekwok	2
Goodnews Bay	2
Manokotak	2
New Stuyahok	1
Regional Total	13
Lakes (Iliamna)	
Iliamna	1
Kokhanok	1
Newhalen	1
Nondalton	1
Pedro Bay	1
Regional Total	5
Interior	
Anvik	1
Eagle	2
Fairbanks	5
Fort Yukon	1
Healy Lake	1
Kaltag	2
Koyukuk	1
Manley Hot Springs	1
Nulato	3
Ruby	1
Venetie	3
Regional Total	21

Kodiak	
Ouzinkie	1
Regional Total	1
NW Arctic	
Kivalina	2
Shungnak	1
Regional Total	3
Southcentral	
Eagle River	1
Regional Total	1
Southeast	
Angoon	1
Haines	2
Yakutat	1
Regional Total	4
Southcentral	
Anchorage	9
Wasilla	2
Regional Total	11
Y-K Delta	
Akiak	3
Atmautluak	2
Bethel	1
Kipnuk	1
Kongiganak	4
Kotlik	2
Kwigillingok	1
Lower Kalskag	3
Marshall	2
Newtok	1
Nightmute	1
Nunam Iqua	1
Nunapitchuk	1
Quinhagak	1
Russian Mission	2
Tununak	1
Tuntutuliak	1
Regional Total	28
Total Trainees	81



SITE VISITS

The BAP performs site visits to select communities throughout the backhaul season. In general, BAP community site visits are conducted to assess, document, and assist with the following aspects:

- Determine current status of backhaul activities,
- Obtain and/or confirm communities' inventory of program materials,
- Assess community capacity and means of collection & storage,
- Ensure necessary labels, supplies, and PPE are available,
- Assist in collection & packaging of program materials, as necessary,
- Provide additional training (including elements of the DOT HMR training) for those performing BAP activities, if needed, and
- Provide guidance and technical assistance to ensure completion of backhaul activities, as needed.

The table below provides a summary of 2025 site visits:

Date	Community	BAP Coordinator Present	BAP Coordinator Present
4/17/2025	Fairbanks	Regional Training/Workshop	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Joe Torma (Regional Coordinator)
4/19/2025	Talkeetna	Collection & Outreach Event	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
4/22/2025	Glennallen	Presentation/Outreach Event	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Sarah Daszkiewicz (Regional Coordinator)
4/30/2025	Haines	Presentation/Outreach Event	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
5/12/2025	Seldovia	Site Visit/Collection Event	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Satchel Pondolfino (Partnering Coordinator)
5/13/2025	Ninilchik	Site Visit/Collection Event	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Satchel Pondolfino (Partnering Coordinator)
5/14/2025	Homer	Site Visit/Collection Event	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Satchel Pondolfino (Partnering Coordinator)
5/15/2025	Anchorage	Backhaul Alaska Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
5/16/2025	Anchorage	Refrigerant Recovery Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
5/20/2025	Kenny Lake	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)

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Date	Community	BAP Coordinator Present	BAP Coordinator Present
5/20/2025	Chitina	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
5/21/2025	McCarthy	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
6/6/2025	Haines/Klukwan	Collection Event	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
6/12/2025	Fairbanks	Backhaul Alaska Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joe Torma (Regional Coordinator)
6/13/2025	Fairbanks	Refrigerant Recovery Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Joe Torma (Regional Coordinator)
6/18/2025	Sitka	Marine Debris Training	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
6/23/2025	Kokhanok	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Karla Jensen (BAP Coordinator)
6/25/2025	Klukwan	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
6/25/2025	Iliamna	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Karla Jensen (BAP Coordinator)
6/26/2025	Newhalen	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Karla Jensen (BAP Coordinator)
6/30/2025	Hooper Bay	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
7/1/2025	Klukwan	Refrigerant Recovery Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
7/2/2025	Klukwan	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
7/14/2025	Chitina	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Sarah Daszkiewicz (Regional Coordinator)
7/14/2025	Nightmute	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
7/16/2025	Glennallen	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Sarah Daszkiewicz (Regional Coordinator)
7/16/2025	Toksook Bay	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
7/19/2025	Susitna Y	Collection Event (MATSON)	Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator) Tam Boeve (Partnering Coordinator)
7/21/2025	Kipnuk	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)

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Date	Community	BAP Coordinator Present	BAP Coordinator Present
7/21/2025	Nightmute	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
7/23/2025	Chefornak	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
7/25/2025	Willow	Collection Event (MATSON)	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator) Tam Boeve (Partnering Coordinator)
7/28/2025	Nome	Marine Debris Training	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Jesse Sayles (Zender Staff)
7/31/2025	Dillingham	Backhaul Alaska Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Melany Eakin (BAP Regional Coordinator) Jared Miller (BAP Regional Coordinator) Fallon Gleason (Regional Coordinator)
8/1/2025	Dillingham	Refrigerant Recovery Training	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Melany Eakin (Regional Coordinator) Jared Miller (Regional Coordinator) Fallon Gleason (Regional Coordinator)
8/2/2025	Big Lake	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Tam Boeve (Partnering Coordinator)
8/4/2025	Nome/Safety Sound	Collection Event – Marine Debris	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Kawerak Environmental Staff (Regional Coordinator)
8/4/2025	Scammon Bay	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
8/5/2025	Unalaska	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Jon Gustafson (Regional Coordinator)
8/7/2025	Newtok	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
8/9/2025	Sutton/Chickaloon	Collection Event (MATSON)	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Tam Boeve (Partnering Coordinator)



Date	Community	BAP Coordinator Present	BAP Coordinator Present
8/12/2025	Palmer	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Tam Boeve (Partnering Coordinator)
8/12/2025	Toksook Bay	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
8/13/2025	Tununak	Backhaul Alaska Site Visit (NIC SWIFR Project)	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
8/18/2025	Angoon	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Paul Berry (Zender Staff)
8/19/2025	Kongiganak	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator)
8/20/2025	Tok	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator)
8/21/2025	Delta Junction	Refrigerant Recovery Training	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
8/22/2025	Delta Junction	Collection Event (MATSON)	Derrik Spoelman (BAP Coordinator) Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Joe Torma (Regional Coordinator)
8/22/2025	Haines/Klukwan	Collection Event	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator)
8/25/2025	Kotlik	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator)
8/27/2025	Kluti-Kaah	Collection Event	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Sarah Daszkiewicz (Regional Coordinator)
8/28/2025	Bethel	Backhaul AK Site Visit	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator)
9/4/2025	Kodiak	Collection Event (MATSON)	Reilly Kosinski (BAP Coordinator) Joanna Kelly (BAP Coordinator) Stephanie Mason (Regional Coordinator)
9/15/2025	Seattle	Marine Debris Training & Vendor Tour	All BAP Staff Kawerak Environmental Staff (Regional Coordinator)
10/6/2025	Nome	Marine Debris Training	Lepani Nadore (BAP Coordinator) Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator) Kawerak Environmental Staff (Regional Coordinator)
10/13/2025	Nightmute	Typhoon Halong Assistance	Evelyn Agnus (BAP Coordinator)

Staff turnover is a common occurrence in rural communities, including in BAP communities. Due to new individuals performing Backhaul Alaska activities (either through turnover or additional staff that were unable to attend a BAP training), onsite, training can be provided during site visits. Additionally, those who have attended a virtual or in-person BAP training indicated refresher trainings & hands-on practice was very beneficial, especially in their home setting.



The training provided during site visits was tailored to the immediate needs of the community. Often, training included (but not limited to) the following:

- Best practices in collection and storing program material,
- General packaging guidelines (lead acid batteries, fluorescent lamps, scrap electronics, and in some cases household batteries),
- Proper marking & labeling,
- Material loading & placarding, and
- Completing shipping paperwork.

Kodiak

- The 5th annual regionwide public collection event was held in partnership with KANA.
 - KANA has continued ongoing collecting and storing incoming e-scrap, lamps, & batteries from the communities off the road-system.
 - KANA received funding to purchase a forklift (awaiting arrival). The forklift will allow for easier receipt and storage of incoming village material. Further, the forklift will facilitate loading during the annual collection event.
 - All 6 Kodiak communities located off the road system are continuing to participate in the Program. KANA facilitates the packaging and shipping of the collected materials in conjunction with an annual collection event.
 - KANA is still pursuing the backhaul of HHW from outlying communities to Kodiak for management by the borough.
 - KANA and BAP staff met with Ocean Plastics Recovery staff and toured their facility in Kodiak. OPR is operational and taking in marine debris for processing (OPR continues to charge between \$0.60 - \$1.00/lb processing fee). OPR is a vendor option for upcoming Zender Marine Debris projects.
 - In 2026 BAP aims to...
 - Partner with KANA on a regional backhaul event
 - Support KANA HHW collection and backhaul efforts,
 - Take advantage of opportunities to backhaul derelict nets and marine debris to Kodiak.
 - Hold a regional Backhaul & HazMat Regulation Training that coincides with the annual collection event.

Dillingham

- Currently a partnership between Curyung, BBAHC, BBNA, Dillingham Friends of the Landfill, and the City of Dillingham, the Backhaul AK Program helped facilitate the backhaul of collected materials.
- Areawide collection and consolidation is still available to communities within the greater area such as Aleknagik, Ekwok, New Stuyahok, Koliganek, and Clark's Point. BBAHC and Curyung oversee collection and consolidation activities.
- A continuing effort to package and ship all landfill collection connexes (e-scrap, UW lamps, and paint products) was undertaken throughout the backhaul season. 2- 20ft containers of e-scrap and 3 pallets of fluorescent lamps.
- BBAHC and BAP collaborated to hold a regional Backhaul & HazMat Regulation Training in Dillingham at the UA facility. Participants packaged 20 pallets of e-scrap for future backhaul shipment.



- BBAHC and BAP also collaborated to hold a refrigerant recovery training at the Dillingham landfill.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Strengthen the greater-area collection efforts
 - Finish assisting with the cleanout of landfill connexes
 - Expand AK Air Program to Dillingham

Unalaska

- A 5th annual public collection event was conducted at the Qawalangin Tribe facility.
- Qawalangin Tribe has continued ongoing collecting of e-scrap, lamps, & lead acid batteries along with general recyclables (cardboard, aluminum cans, plastic bottles, and glass bottles).
- Qawalangin Tribe has also continued collecting community e-scrap from the landfill. The BAP Regional Coordinator with the Qawalangin Tribe provides gaylord boxes to landfill staff. Once full the City of Unalaska drops off full gaylords of e-scrap.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Partner with Qawalangin Tribe on another public collection event
 - Support Qawalangin Tribe, as needed, on logistics and SWIFR implementation.

Nome

- Kawerak has continued their long history of consolidating and backhauling materials regionwide.
- The AK Air Cargo in-kind backhaul program has continued thru 2025 and will again in 2026.
- Additionally, Kawerak, Inc. has continued collecting and facilitating the recycling of lead acid batteries, household batteries, UW lamps, and scrap metal.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Continue supporting Kawerak's regional backhaul program
 - Assist Kawerak's efforts with household battery and HHW management.
 - Assist Kawerak's effort in regional Bering Strait marine debris cleanup efforts
 - Collaborate with Kawerak to hold a regional backhaul and refrigerant recovery training.

Fairbanks

- BAP assisted with forwarding materials from the Denali Borough and arriving in Nenana to GSIA in for recycling.
- BAP and GSIA collaborated to hold a public collection event in Delta Junction.
- GSIA and BAP collaborated to hold a regional Backhaul & HazMat Regulation Training in Fairbanks. Participants were provided hands-on training at the GSIA facility.
- GSIA and BAP also collaborated to hold a refrigerant recovery training at the GSIA facility.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Further establish collection and forwarding points along the road system outside Fairbanks North Star Borough. Specifically, continue current practices in Nenana & within the Denali Borough, as well as work toward similar collection points in Delta Junction and Tok.
 - Support GSIA community outreach efforts to Interior communities.



Glennallen

- The 4th annual statewide public collection event was held in Glennallen in partnership with the Copper River Native Association (CRNA) and Recycling Our Area Resources (ROAR).
- The collection events were expanded in 2025 to host a pop-up event in Chitina (to serve Kenny Lake, Chitina, and McCarthy) as well as a regional tire recycling collection pop-up event in Kluti-Kaah (Copper Center).
- BAP staff provided refrigerant recovery services for all received refrigerators and freezers.
- 3 full 40ft containers (1 Chitina and 2 Glennallen) were loaded and shipped utilizing Matson Caring for Alaska freight donations.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Coordinate a 2025 collection event with additional Glennallen container (3 total)
 - Coordinate with the regional school district to facilitate the recycling of their materials.

Bethel

- BAP visited with regional stakeholders both in Anchorage and Bethel to explore the feasibility of establishing a collection hub in Bethel.
- AVCP agreed to be BAP Regional Coordinator for the Y-K Delta region.
- The City of Bethel acknowledged their support of recycling efforts in Bethel and are open to further collaboration with BAP and Program partners in 2026.
- In 2026 BAP aims to:
 - Bolster AVCP collection capacity
 - Assist AVCP in regional collection and backhaul efforts
 - Ship bulk backhaul supplies & PPE to AVCP for regional distribution
 - Fund a regional coordinator position in Bethel thru AVCP
 - Support the Nelson Island Consortium, as needed, with logistics, onsite assistance, and SWIFR implementation.
 - Explore collaboration with Donlin Gold to reestablish regional backhaul events out of Bethel

2025 BACKHAUL ACTIVITY

2025 BACKHAUL SUMMARY

In 2025 BAP oversaw the backhaul of an estimate of 513,000 lbs of material. *Appendix E* provides greater detail regarding backhauled quantities and funding sources. Note – at the time of this draft report not all shipment have been received by vendors and settled.

CONTROL TOWER

The Control Tower manages the overall movement of Backhaul Alaska material. General responsibilities of the Control Tower entity include the following:

Coordinate the logistics of backhaul materials between communities and recycling vendors.

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- Utilize information provided by BAP staff and Regional Coordinators to determine the most efficient and cost-effective method of transport on local and regional levels.
- Regularly report the status of activities to BAP staff and Regional Coordinators.

Backhaul Alaska has been conducting control tower responsibilities “in house” since 2024.

PACKAGING VALIDATION

BAP made a packaging validation trip to Seattle & Tacoma, WA in 2025. Some general feedback from various vendors (both transportation and recyclers) received in 2025 is as follows:

Metro Metals (e-scrap recycling vendor in Tacoma & Vancouver, Washington)

- Packaging in general has been good. No incidents of falling apart packages, nonconforming materials, or miscategorized items.
- Requested that when loads are “split” (i.e. partially scrap metal/appliances and partially palletized material, such as e-scrap and lead acid batteries), that all scrap is loaded first and any palletized material be loaded last.
- This allows for Metro Metal staff to remove palletized material after arrival and then have the rest dumped in the scrap area with a tipper truck.
- Requested continued advanced notice of container arrivals

Central Recycling Service (e-scrap & scrap metal recycling vendor in Anchorage, Alaska)

- Asked for more prior notification from trucking companies before delivering 20ft containers of materials.
- There was an issue of a transporter delivering BAP and another entities material on the same 20ft flat. Difficult in differentiating whose material was whose.
- 20ft flats do not match the CRS dock (requires hand-offloading) – requested 20ft chassis for delivering material in the future.

Green Star of Interior Alaska (e-scrap, battery, universal waste lamp vendor)

- No comments or recommendations.

Total Reclaim/EcoLights NW (e-scrap, battery, universal waste lamp, refrigerant, and scrap recycler)

- Packaging in general has been good. No incidents of falling apart packages, nonconforming materials, or miscategorized items.
- Requested delivery of materials (as opposed to providing pickup services).
- Emphasized proper insulation and packaging of batteries – especially Lithium & Li-Ion
- Requested continued advance notice of container arrivals



Alaska Marine Lines (Barge Vendor)

- Requested bookings be done as early as possible, but understand the difficulty in doing so.
- Also requested that containers be spotted at the barge landing prior to AML arrival (and confirm that they are there) so their crew doesn't have to hunt them down.
- Will no longer accept EV batteries.

Matson (Barge Vendor)

- Their no Lithium/Li-Ion battery policy continues. All lithium-type batteries need to be removed prior to packaging and shipment.

Sourdough Express (Alaska Trucking Vendor)

- No comments or recommendations.

Karavan Transfer (Alaska Trucking Vendor)

- No comments or recommendations.

Iliamna Development Corporation (Transporter of Lake Clark & Lake Iliamna material via barge and truck to Homer, AK).

- Prefers e-scrap to be loaded in supersacks
- Prefers lead acid batteries to be contained in totes
- Requested quicker turn-around of IDC owned containers (from round-trip shipment between Homer & Anchorage).

Appendix

The following can be found within this appendix:

Appendix A – Alaska Map: Backhaul Alaska Regions

Appendix B – Alaska Map: BAP Communities through 2025

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Appendix D – Table: 2025 Communities and Service Areas

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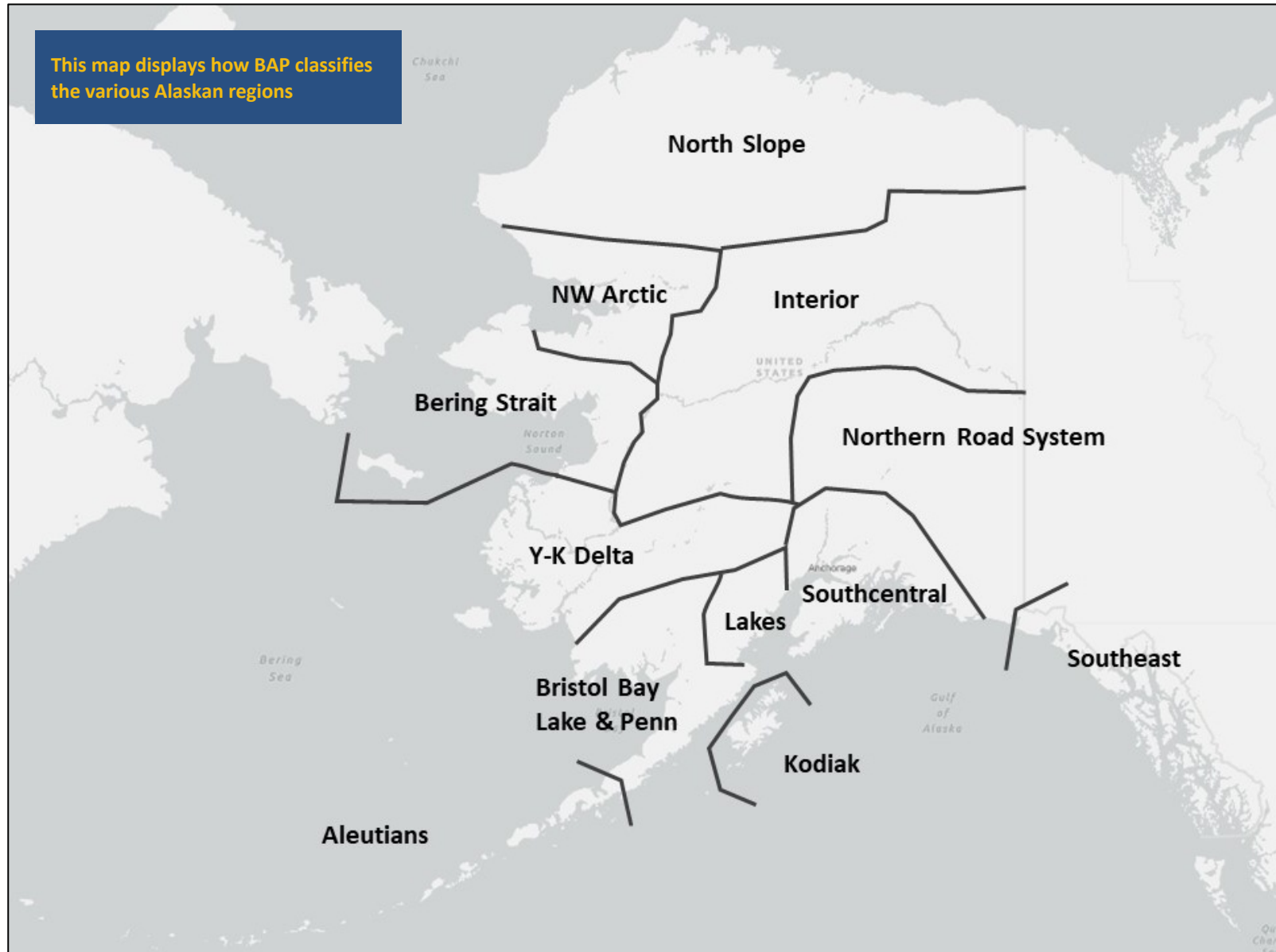
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2025 Matson Shipment Summary

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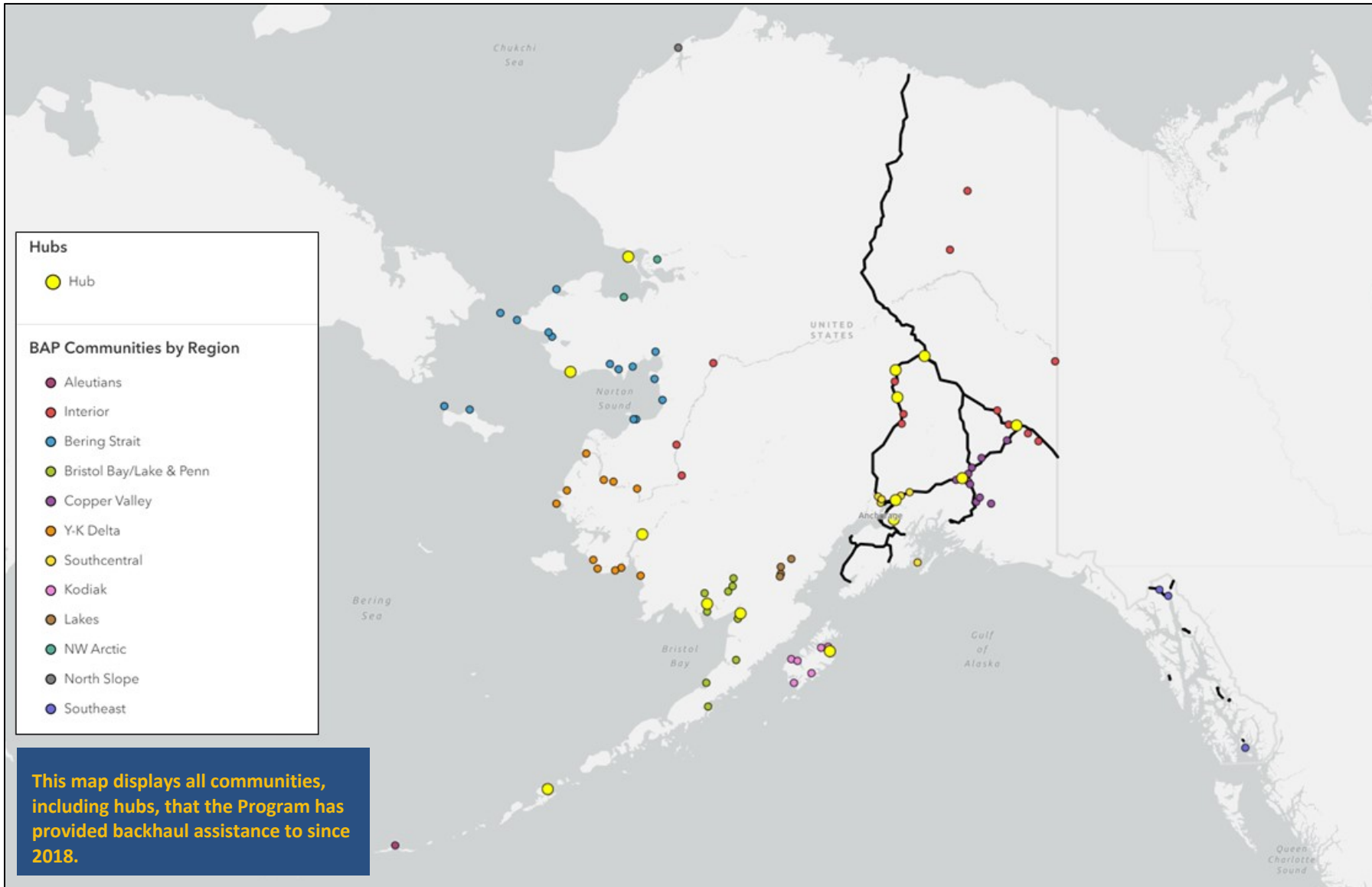
This map displays how BAP classifies the various Alaskan regions





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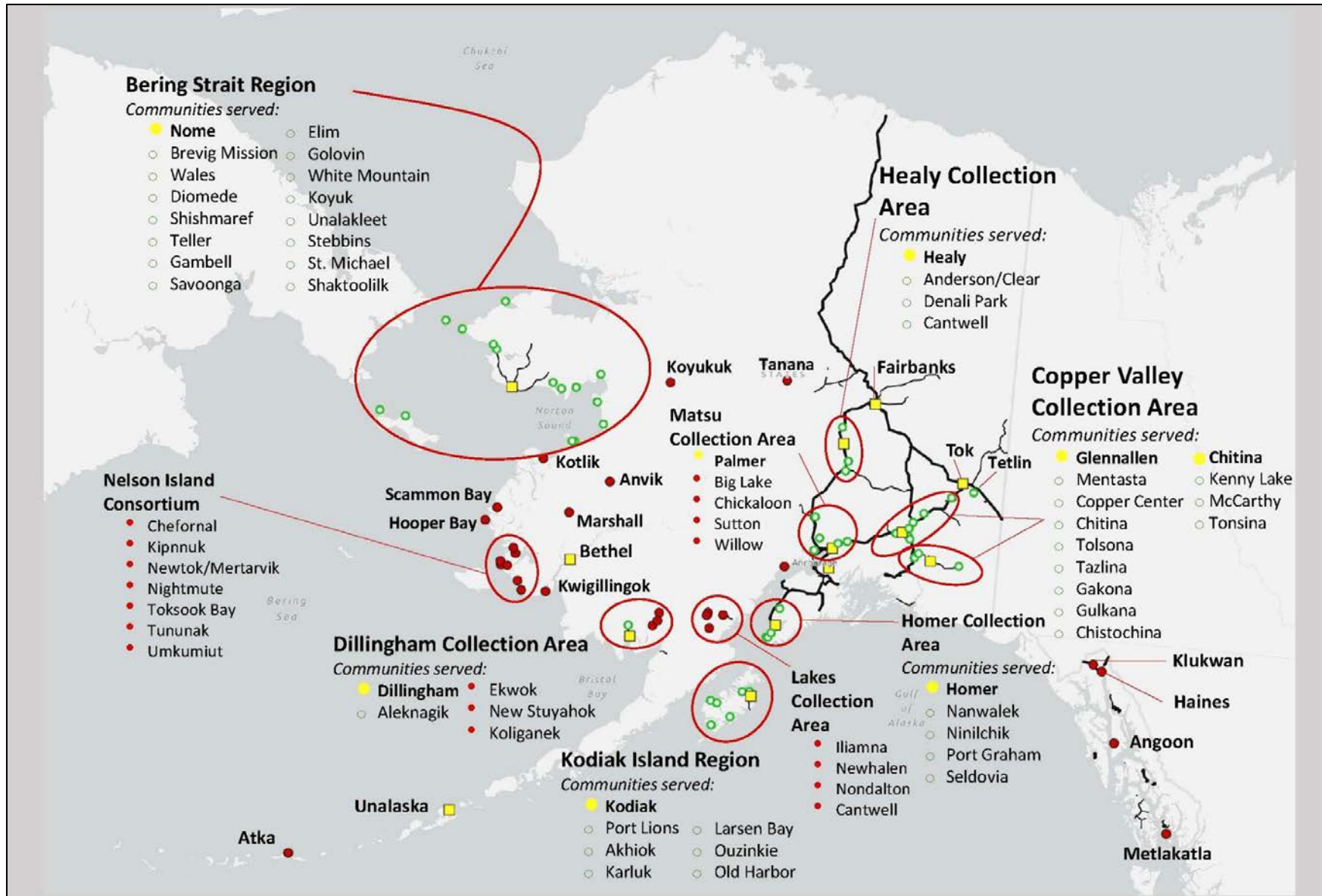
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Appendix C – Alaska Map: 2025 Communities & Service Area | 02/06/26





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Appendix D – Table: 2025 Communities & Service Areas | 02/06/26

The following Table lists communities that had the opportunity to use BAP backhaul resources in 2025.

Region	Community	Status	Region	Community	Status
Aleutians	Atka	BPA	Road System (North)	Fairbanks	Hub
	Unalaska	BAP/Hub		Delta Junction	BAP
Bering Strait	Nome	Hub		Tetlin	BAP
	Brevig Mission	Umbrella		Glennallen	Hub
	Diomedede	Umbrella		Chistochina	Service Area
	Elim	Umbrella		Chitina	Service Area
	Gambell	Umbrella		Copper Center	Service Area
	Golovin	Umbrella		Gakona	Service Area
	Koyuk	Umbrella		Gulkana	Service Area
	Saint Michael	Umbrella		Kenny Lake	Service Area
	Savoonga	Umbrella		McCarthy	Service Area
	Shaktoolik	Umbrella		Mentasta	Service Area
	Shishmaref	Umbrella		Tazlina	Service Area
	Stebbins	Umbrella		Tolsona	Service Area
	Teller	Umbrella		Tonsina	Service Area
	Unalakleet	Umbrella		Healy	Hub
	Wales	Umbrella		Anderson/Clear	Service Area
	White Mountain	Umbrella		Denali Park	Service Area
Bristol Bay	Dillingham	Hub		Cantwell	Service Area
	Aleknagik	Umbrella		Palmer	Hub/New
	Ekwok	BAP/Umbrella		Big Lake/Houston	Service Area
	Koliganek	BAP/Umbrella		Talkeetna/Upper	Service Area
	New Stuyahok	BAP/Umbrella		Susitna	Service Area
Lakes	Iliamna	BAP	Road System (South)	Sutton/Chickaloon	Service Area
	Kokhanok	BAP		Willow	Service Area
	Nondalton	BAP		Homer	Hub
	Pedro Bay	BAP		Nanwalek	Service Area
Interior	Anvik	BAP		Ninilchik	Service Area
	Koyukuk	BAP		Port Graham	Service Area
	Tanana	BAP		Seldovia	Umbrella
Interior	Kodiak	Hub	Southcentral	Tyonek	BAP
	Akhiok	Umbrella	Y-K Delta	Bethel	Hub
	Karluk	Umbrella		Chefornak	BAP/NIC SWIFR
	Larsen Bay	BAP/Umbrella		Hooper Bay	BAP
	Old Harbor	BAP/Umbrella		Kipnuk	NIC SWIFR
	Ouzinkie	BAP/Umbrella		Kongiganak	BAP
	Port Lions	BAP/Umbrella		Kotlik	BAP
				Marshall	BAP
				Newtok/Mertarvik	NIC SWIFR
Kodiak	Angoon	Umbrella		Nightmute/Umkumiut	NIC SWIFR
	Haines	Umbrella		Scammon Bay	BAP
	Klukwan	BAP		Toksook Bay	NIC SWIFR
	Metlakatla	BAP		Tununak	NIC SWIFR



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Definitions:

BAP – A community that was enrolled prior to 2025.

New – A community that enrolled in 2025.

Hub – A community that acts as a consolidation point or end destination for material managed by BAP.

Umbrella – A community that is served by a regional backhaul program run by a BAP partner organization.

Service Area – A community notified about a BAP collection opportunity at a nearby hub.

NIC SWIFR – Nelson Island Consortium communities utilizing SWIFR funds for Backhaul along with BAP technical assistance and logistics management services.



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Summary of Backhaul Alaska Shipping Activities

The table below displays a summary of all known poundage recycled by material category for the various communities the Program worked with in 2025.

Community	Shipments	E-scrap	Lead Acid Batteries	UW Lamps	Scrap & Appliances	Tires	HH Batteries	AI Cans	Glass	C&D Waste	Net Weight*	BAP Funded ¹	BAP Partial Fund ²	BAP Assist ²
Aleutians														
Atka	1	1,344	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,334			X
Unalaska	2	19,289	11,455	1,140	-	320	-	-	-	-	32,556	X		
Bering Strait														
Nome**	18	34,310	23,460	2,243	750	-	-	-	-	-	60,763		X	
Bristol Bay/Lake and Peninsula														
Dillingham**	3	13,195	1,955	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,750	X		
Copper River Valley														
Chitina	2	1,000	1,500	-	-	18,100	-	-	-	-	20,600	X		
Copper Center	1	-	-	-	-	15,000	-	-	-	-	15,000	X		
Glennallen	3	7,129	3,038	399	-	23,640	-	-	-	-	34,206	X		
Interior														
Anvik	1	1,036	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,036	X		
Koyukuk	1	-	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	3,000			X
Tanana	3	5,005	-	77	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	9,082			X
Kodiak														
Kodiak**	1	16,655	7,738	881	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,274	X		
Old Harbor	1	910	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	910	X		
Port Lions	2	455	1,955	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,410	X		
Lakes														
Iliamna	4	6,547	-	100	17,540	-	-	400	3,904	400	32,610	X		
Kokhanok	3	1,820	5,666	-	-	16,000	-	-	-	-	19,340	X		
Newhalen	2	-	-	-	6,980	7,000	-	-	-	-			X	
Pedro Bay	2	1,820	2,955	-	5,000	3,000	-	710	-	-	14,485	X		
Northern Road System														
Delta Junction	2	5,027	1,367	17	15,000	-	-	-	-	-	21,411	X		
Denali Borough	1	-	-	-	3,640	-	-	-	-	-	3,640	X		
Tetlin	3	-	-	-	6,820	-	-	-	-	-	6,820		X	
Southcentral														
Mat-Su Borough**	7	16,576	-	205	-	-	116	-	-	-	16,915	X		
Kenai Peninsula Borough**	2	5,289	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,289		X	
Tyonek	3	3,483	3,015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,498			X
Southeast														
Haines	4	4,339	3,565	-	44,520	-	2,390	-	-	-	54,814		X	
Klukwan	2	-	1,915	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,915		X	
Metlakatla	2	7,280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,280	X		
Y-K Delta														
Bethel	1	4,440	-	-	494	-	-	-	-	-	4,934			X
Chefornak	1	894	6,865	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	-	10,259			X
Hooper Bay	2	7,280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,280	X		
Kipnuk	2	4,640	-	-	9,000	-	-	-	-	-	13,640			X
Kongiganak	1	1,610	6,415	96	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	9,121			X



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Marshall	2	1,365	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,365			X
Nightmute	3	2,065	-	-	17,500	-	-	-	-	-	19,565			X
Scammon Bay	1	1,665	4,410	-	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	7,275	X		
Toksook Bay	1	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000			X
Tununak	1	-	-	-	7,000	-	-	-	-	-	7,000			X
91	180,098	87,274	5,776	190,364	41,000	3,095	1,110	3,904	400	513,021				

Notes

* Not all settlements have been received from vendors. Some quantities & totals are best estimates.

** Quantities include regional/area-wide collection efforts.

¹ **BAP Funded** includes shipments where the Backhaul AK Program funded all shipping and recycling costs.

² **BAP Partial Fund** includes shipments where the Backhaul AK Program split shipping & recycling costs with communities or partnering organizations.

³ **BAP Assist** includes shipments where communities or partnering organizations funded all shipping and recycling costs & where the Backhaul AK Program provided technical assistance and managed shipping logistics.



The following pages provide photos and description of the work from select BAP communities conducted during the 2025 backhaul season:

Aleutians – Collection Event

- Unalaska

Bristol Bay

- Dillingham

Lakes

- Kokhanok
- Newhalens

Kodiak – Collection Event

- Kodiak

Southeast

- Angoon
- Haines
- Klukwan

Northern Road System – Collection Events

- Chitina
- Delta Junction
- Copper Center
- Glennallen
- Mat-Su Borough (Big Lake, Talkeetna, Sutton, Willow)

Y-K Delta

- Cheforak
- Hooper Bay
- Kongiganak
- Nightmute
- Scammon Bay
- Toksook Bay
- Tununak



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Unalaska, AK – Public Collection Event - BAP and the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska (Q-tribe) partnered again to cohost their 5th annual collection event. Leading up to the event, Q-tribe has continued accepting pallets of e-scrap collected dropped-off throughout the year by the City of Unalaska's landfill staff. In addition to this E-scrap recycling opportunity, the Qawalangin Tribe provides year-round collection of general recyclables (cardboard, aluminum cans, plastic bottles, etc.) for the general public.



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Unalaska, AK - Much of the backlog of E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and fluorescent lamps was shipped out during the prior year's collection event. However, the collection event still saw a steady stream of drop-offs over the course of 3 days.





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Unalaska, AK - The 2025 event resulted in a completely full 40ft container, packed with over 30,000 lbs of E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and fluorescent lamps. Thanks to the Matson freight donations over the last 5 years, over 200,000 lbs of recyclables have been backhauled thru these annual collection events.





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Dillingham, AK – Regional HazMat & Backhaul Best Practices Training

In partnership with BBAHC and the University of Alaska – Bristol Bay Campus, the BAP provided a Hazardous Materials and Backhaul Best Practices training for environmental workers within the Bristol Bay Region. 15 trainees representing 8 communities attended.





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Dillingham, AK - As part of the training, participants received hands on packaging practice of lead acid batteries and e-scrap at the Dillingham landfill. In addition to the e-scrap that is dropped off by Dillingham residents, BBAHC receives and stores incoming e-scrap from the outlying communities at the landfill. Later in the season, BBAHC facilitated the loading and shipping of 2 – 20ft containers of e-scrap.





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Dillingham, AK - An additional optional 1-day refrigerant recovery class was also included in the regional training. 7 trainees attended and received both classroom and hands-on instruction regarding refrigerant recovery techniques and best practices relevant to rural landfill settings.





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Kokhanok, AK – BAP Site Visit - Kokhanok was a new BAP enrollee in 2026. An initial site visit was conducted in early summer where BAP staff advised on preparing items for backhaul later in the season. Village of Kokhanok staff were able to load and ship 3 – 20ft containers of e-scrap, lead acid batteries, and tires.





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Newhalen, AK – BAP Site Visit - The Newhalen Tribal Council continued with their backhaul activities in 2026. BAP staff visited to advise on preparing material for this season's backhaul. BAP and Newhalen Tribal council cost shared to backhaul 2 – 20ft containers of tires, appliances, and lead acid batteries.





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Kodiak, AK – Public Collection Event - Thanks to Matson's support, BAP and the Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA) held their 5th annual collection event. KANA continues to operate a regional backhaul program where the communities located off the road system ship recyclables to KANA (in Kodiak) for consolidation and storage throughout the spring and summer. At the culmination of the backhaul season, KANA and BAP cohost a public collection event where E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and UW lamps dropped off by the public are combined with the stored materials received from the offroad communities and subsequently shipped to Tacoma, WA for recycling.





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Kodiak, AK - The Kodiak Collection Event is a 2-day event open to the general public. However, the day prior to the event dedicated to sorting and repackaging E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and fluorescent lamps received throughout the spring & summer from the off-road communities served by KANA (Old Harbor, Uuzinkie, Larsen Bay, Port Lions, Akhiok, and Karluk).





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Kodiak, AK - This year's collection saw a downturn in the amount of pallets shipped in from the outlying communities. However, that reduction was countered by a significant upsurge in material dropped off during the collection event's open hours.





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Kodiak, AK - KANA's capacity to support the outlying communities was supplemented by Matson's donation of a 45ft shipping container. The donation allows KANA to store incoming pallets as well as backhaul supplies & PPE. KANA is furthering their long-term commitment to supporting the off-road communities' recycling efforts through...

- Traveling to communities to assist in packaging/preparation of backhaul materials
- Coordinating HHW shipments to the City of Kodiak for management through the Kodiak Island Borough
- Hosting backhaul & HazMat regulation trainings for Environmental staff (in conjunction with Backhaul Alaska Program)
- The purchase a forklift for offloading landing craft and use during collection events.





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Kodiak, AK - By the event's end a completely full 40ft container, packed with nearly 30,000 lbs of E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and fluorescent lamps was ready for backhaul. Over the last 5 years, roughly 144,000 lbs of recyclables has been backhauled thru these annual collection events.





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Angoon, AK – BAP Site Visit - BAP conducted an initial site visit to Angoon to inventory potential backhaul materials as well as the City of Angoon and the Angoon Community Association (Tribe) in furthering their recycling and backhaul programs. A backhaul of scrap metals is being planned for the spring of 2026. BAP anticipates a return visit in spring of 2026 to provide refrigerant recovery training for City and Tribal staff in preparation for their scrap metal backhaul.



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Haines, AK – E-scrap and Scrap Metal Collection Events - Haines Friends of Recycling (HFR) is a nonprofit organization that provides borough-wide recycling services, including dedicated collection event dates for e-scrap and scrap metal respectively. HFR utilized freight donations from AML for most recycling shipment. BAP provides logistics management and onsite assistance (including refrigerant recovery services) to help further HFR's efforts.





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Haines, AK – Mud Bay Lead Acid Battery Backhaul - The community of Mud Bay (part of the Haines Borough) includes many households that reside off-grid, relying on alternative energy systems for power. Many of these households have begun to upgrade/changeout their systems from lead acid, Ni-Cad, & Ni-Fe batteries to Lithium-Ion batteries. BAP helped residents haul batteries across the bay (there is no road access) and facilitate the recycling of the old batteries.





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Klukwan, AK – Lead Acid Battery Haul out - Chilkat Indian Village (CIV) staff delivered lead acid batteries collected from residents of Klukwan Village to the Haines recycling center. CIV staff were also trained in preparing lead acid batteries for shipment. The CIV lead acids batteries were shipped to battery vendors in Washington.



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Klukwan, AK – Refrigerant Recovery Training - BAP provided a followup refrigerant recovery training for Chilkat Indian Village staff in preparation for a 2026 appliance backhaul. Staff who were unavailable during the previous year's training were able to attend this year's. Unfortunately staff turnover delayed the appliance backhaul to 2027.



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Chitina, AK – Areawide E-scrap, Universal Waste items, and Appliance Collection

The first Backhaul Alaska Program (BAP) collection event of 2025 was held in Chitina Alaska. The event, cohosted by the Chitina Tribe, was held at the Chitina Gas Station with permission from the Chitina Native Corporation. After the large response to the 2024 collection event in Glennallen and discussions with the Copper River Native Association (CRNA), the BAP opted to conduct a collection in Chitina to better serve the communities of Chitina, Kenny Lake, and McCarthy – the goal being community members wouldn't have to haul items all the way to Glennallen and this event would relieve the volume dropped off at the subsequent Glennallen collection event.



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Chitina, AK - Similar to the Glennallen Collection Event, BAP staff accepted E-scrap, lead acid batteries, fluorescent lamps, and household appliances for recycling.



Chitina Tribal Council staff provided pickup service for elders and other tribal members as well as assisted in the loading & offloading of large appliances.



BAP staff provided onsite refrigerant recovery services for all refrigerant containing appliances dropped off during the event. CRNA transferred all collected E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and fluorescent lamps to the Glennallen Collection Event site (which would occur a couple days later).



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Chitina, AK - The event saw a large positive response from Chitina, Kenny Lake, and McCarthy. Community members were very appreciative of the opportunity to drop-off their recyclables without having to haul them to Valdez or Glennallen. Many individuals noted the items they dropped off had been in storage (or staged on their property) for 10+ years...just waiting for an opportunity such as this to dispose of them. Due to the large volume taken in at the event (container was at capacity by early morning on the 2nd day) and the request for an additional collection event by partners and community members, BAP hopes to conduct a similar collection event during summer of 2026. Thanks to Matson's freight donation, the area was able to backhaul roughly 20,000 lbs of E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and old appliances.





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Delta Junction, AK – Public Collection Event - Building off the success of the previous year, BAP and the City of Delta Junction partnered to cohost their 2nd Collection Event targeting E-scrap, lead acid batteries, fluorescent lamps, and household appliances. Green Star of Interior Alaska (GSIA – one of BAP’s Regional Coordinators) also assisted with the Collection Event.





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Delta Junction, AK - Similar to the previous year, a refrigerant recovery training was provided for City Landfill Staff (at no cost) a day prior to the public collection event. Landfill staff were instructed on how to operate their equipment and properly recover refrigerant from appliances received at the landfill.





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Delta Junction, AK - For this year's event, BAP invited GSIA to assist at the event. GSIA staff donated their time and use of a rented trailer to allow for expanded backhaul capacity during the event.



At the conclusion of the event, GSIA loaded & transported all collected E-scrap, fluorescent lamps, and lead acid batteries to their recycling facility in Fairbanks.



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Delta Junction, AK - The 2025 event saw a significant increase of materials from the previous year. BAP will continue working with the City of Delta Junction to further bolster their capacity to collect and eventually backhaul these event materials. Thanks to Matson's freight donations over 28,000 lbs of material has been backhauled from the 2 collection events.





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[Kluti-Kaah, AK \(Copper Center\) – Areawide Tire Recycling Event](#) - Over the past few years, the Copper River Native Association (CRNA) mentioned their member communities have been requesting an opportunity to manage the junk tires within their respective communities. BAP and CRNA began coordinating a scrap tire collection event for the communities of Gakona, Gulkana, Tazlina, Mentasta Lake, and Kluti-Kaah/Copper Center.





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Kluti-Kaah, AK (Copper Center) - The Native Village of Kluti-Kaah, located in Copper Center, agreed to provide a staging area within their maintenance yard as well as a 2 staff to assist with loading the container.





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Kluti-Kaah, AK (Copper Center) - Each community delivered scrap tires to the collection site throughout the day and assisted with the offloading & stacking within the Matson container.





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Kluti-Kaah, AK (Copper Center) - An estimated 15,000 lbs of tires were received and subsequently shipped to a vendor in Washington for recycling through this collection event. This year's tire collection served as a test-case to determine the volume received by the CRNA member communities. BAP and CRNA are assessing if a similar collection open to the general public (i.e. inclusion of Glennallen & surrounding communities) can be coordinated in the coming years.





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Glennallen, AK – Regional E-scrap, Universal Waste items, and Appliance Collection

2025 was the 4th year BAP partnered with CRNA and ROAR to conduct a regional collection of backhaul materials. In addition to E-scrap, lead acid batteries, and UW lamps. 2 days after the Chitina Collection Event, CRNA member communities (Gakona, Gulkana, Tazlina, Mentasta Lake, and Kluti-Kaah) began dropping off E-scrap, lead acid batteries, fluorescent lamps, white goods, refrigerators, and freezers at the ROAR recycling site in Glennallen. The 1st day of the 3-day collection event was reserved for CRNA villages with the following 2 days being open to the general public (region-wide).





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Glennallen, AK - CRNA coordinated volunteers, outreach, and drop-offs from the surrounding communities. Nearly 20 volunteers (most from CRNA member communities) assisted with offloading vehicles, sorting & packaging recyclables, and loading shipping containers.





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Glennallen, AK - Similar to previous years, appliance drop-off was also open to the general public. A public turnout resulting in the collection of over 150 refrigerators, freezers, and other white goods. BAP staff performed onsite refrigerant recovery services so each appliance could be recycled as scrap metal.



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Glennallen, AK - the Matson Caring for Alaska Program also donated southbound shipping out of the Port of Anchorage for this collection event. Adding an event in Chitina prior to the Glennallen Collection Event did little to alleviate the influx of material. Both Matson containers were at capacity by the end of the 2nd day – many community members are looking forward to the opportunity to recycle next year. As a result of the event, over 32,000 lbs of recyclables were backhauled.





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Mat-Su Borough Collection Events - For the 3rd consecutive year BAP, Valley Community Recycling Solutions (VCRS), and the Mat-Su Borough Solid Waste Division collaborated to conduct a series of “tour-stop” collection events with the goal of providing an E-scrap and fluorescent lamp recycling opportunity in 4 underserved Mat-Su communities.





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Mat-Su Borough Collection Events - Similar to the previous year, pop-up collection events were held at the Susitna “Y” (i.e. Talkeetna Spur turnoff) and the Willow, Big Lake, and Sutton transfer stations.





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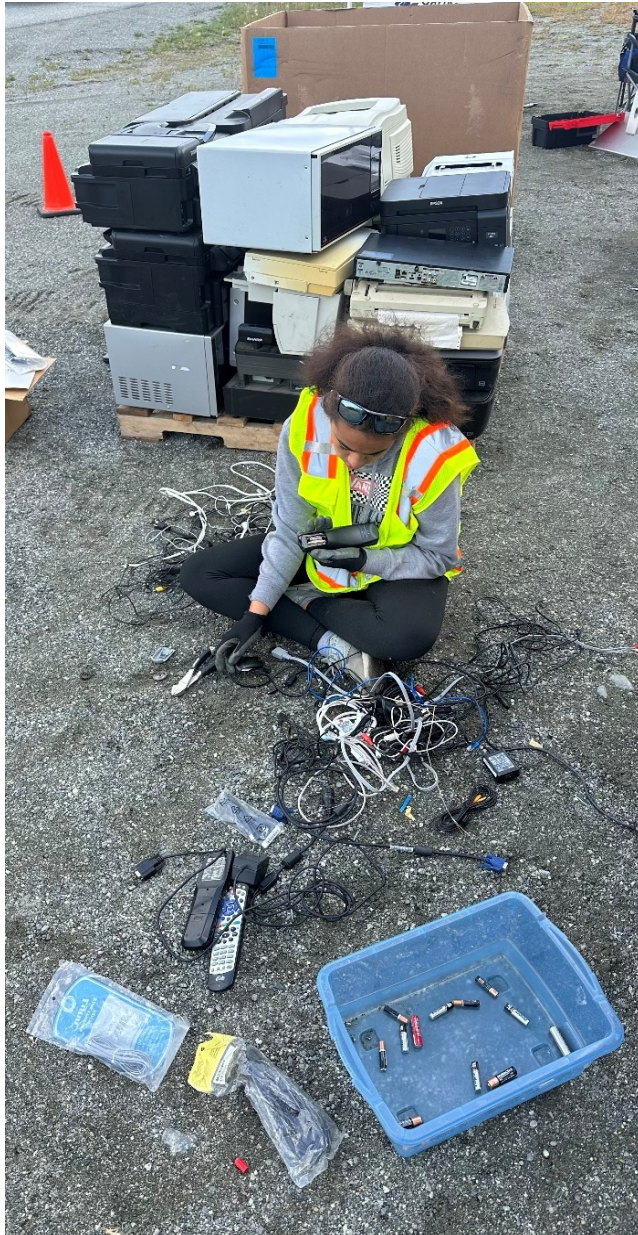
Mat-Su Borough Collection Events - VCRS coordinated with local recycling groups to provide volunteers for each collection event. General recycling opportunities (paper, plastic, cardboard, etc.) are only offered on limited days and hours each month at each outlying transfer station. The event days were scheduled to coincide with the days each transfer station accepts general recyclables.





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Mat-Su Borough Collection Events - Matson's freight donations allow for BAP to offer these recycling opportunities to community member who would otherwise have to drive a long distance to recycle their E-scrap and fluorescent lamps. Over 60,000 lbs of material has been recycled through these collection events over the last 3 years.



Additional assistance was provided by the Chickaloon Native Village's (Nay'dini'aa Na') Traditional Council. Staff and use of heavy equipment was donated to assist with the final loading at the Sutton Collection Event.



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Chefornak, AK – NIC SWIFR Project - After the 2nd Nightmute site visit, BAP staff traveled to Chefornak. Working with Chefornak Environmental Department staff and laborers, backhaul materials were gathered from storage sites, packaged, and loaded in a 20ft container. AML's fall's barge picked-up the container and delivered it to a Washington recycler. Roughly 10,000 lbs of lamps, e-scrap, lead acid batteries, and appliances were included in the shipment.



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Hooper Bay, AK – BAP Site Visit - BAP staff traveled to Hooper Bay to assist Hooper Bay Village Council staff to empty out the storage connexes being used to house e-scrap. 16 pallets of e-scrap were packaged and loaded in 2 – 20ft containers prior to BAP staffs' departure. The 2 containers were picked up by AML later in the season and shipped to Washington for recycling.





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Kongiganak, AK – BAP Site Visit - BAP staff traveled to Kongiganak with basic supplies (ex: shrink wraps, labels, etc.) to assist in the preparation of 1 – 20ft container of e-waste and lead acid batteries. The load subsequently shipped out on the fall barge resulting in the recycling of roughly 9,200 lbs of material.





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Nightmute, AK – NIC SWIFR Project - BAP staff made 2 trips to Nightmute to assist both Nightmute and Umkumiut tribal staff prepare and load 3 – 20ft containers filled with e-scrap and appliances. This onsite assistance was done in cooperation with the Nelson Island Consortium's SWIFR project.





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Scammon Bay, AK – BAP Site Visit - BAP staff worked with Scammon Bay IGAP staff and assess the community's storage areas and developed an efficient plan prepare a 20ft container for its scheduled departure in August. BAP staff also assisted in the packaging and loading of backhaul materials. Approximately 7,200 lbs of e-scrap, lead acid batteries, and appliances were backhauled to Washington for recycling.





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Toksook Bay, AK – NIC SWIFR Project - BAP staff traveled to Toksook Bay to assist in preparing a 20ft container for backhaul. There, staff were able to assist in identifying a AML owned container available for southbound shipment. Working with Toksook Bay IGAP staff, the container was emptied (of northbound goods), moved to a more convenient staging location, and then loaded with roughly 7,000 lbs of scrap appliances.





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Toksook Bay, AK – NIC SWIFR Project - Once finished in Toksook Bay, BAP staff borrowed Toksook Bay IGAP's ATV and drove to Tununak to assist them in loading a 20ft container of backhaul materials. With the help of the 5 IGAP laborers the crew was able to fill the container in less than two hours with roughly 7,000 of scrap appliances.

