

ARCTIC ECONOMIC COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS: ARCTIC STEWARDSHIP

The AEC has established four Working Groups based on the selected business areas set by the Arctic business community. The AEC's current Working Groups are Infrastructure: Maritime Transportation, Connectivity, Responsible Resource Development and Arctic Stewardship. The Working Groups consists of industry experts from across the Arctic. The Working Groups are open to all AEC members and invited external experts.

The way the Working Groups conduct their work:

- Analyze the current business climate in the Arctic
- Incorporate the five overarching themes of the AEC
- Define actionable recommendations and variables that will raise the standard of economic development in the Arctic
- Execute, Report, Review

The five overarching themes of the Arctic Economic Council:

- 1. Establishing strong market connections between Arctic states
- 2. Promoting stable and predictable regulatory frameworks
- 3. Encouraging public-private partnerships for infrastructure investments
- 4. Facilitating knowledge and data exchange between industry and academia
- 5. Disseminating traditional indigenous knowledge, stewardship and focus on small businesses

Working Group: Arctic Stewardship



Chair: Jennine Jordan, USA



Jennine Jordan serves as Vice President/Ethics and Compliance Officer at Gana-A'Yoo, Limited. In this role, she works with the Operations team and is an active member of the Business Development team. Bringing a voice to Indigenous people on policy issues is important for Jennine. She serves on the Arctic Economic Council on behalf of the Arctic Athabascan Council (Alaska).

Jennine earned a Master of Public Policy and Master of Dispute Resolution degrees from Pepperdine University and graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University Arizona with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She holds a graduate-level certificate in Alaska Native Executive Leadership from Alaska Pacific University and she is PMP certified. She is a 2011 Native American 40 Under 40 award recipient from the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development.

Jennine is Athabaskan and Inupiaq Eskimo raised in Anchorage and her family is from Unalakleet, Alaska.

Membership:

The Arctic Stewardship Working Group will consist of representatives from, or recommended by, the AEC. The Working Group will collaborate with other Arctic Stakeholders.

Scope of the work:

The Arctic Stewardship Working Group aims to provide the necessary framework for being good business partners in the Arctic. The Working Group will examine and publish guidelines on appropriate engagement with indigenous residents and communities with respect to traditional knowledge, stewardship and small and medium enterprise development. It will also address guidelines or standards that determine the concept of "good stewardship".

The Working Group will also focus on Traditional Knowledge (TK) and its use. Traditional knowledge is an asset that can add value to projects in the Arctic. Non-Arctic stakeholders looking to do business in the Arctic or partner with Arctic businesses can benefit from the appropriate attainment and use of traditional knowledge.

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