## **Dear Community**

We are excited to share with you a project we are working on to help Southeast communities avoid landslide tragedies. Attached is the draft of the Southeast Alaska Landslide Reduction Strategic Plan. Or if you prefer you can view the plan online <a href="here">here</a>.

The Southeast Alaska Landslide Information and Preparedness (SLIPP) is a community of practice that is working on landslide issues. While we cannot yet stop landslides, we hope we can save lives and preserve infrastructure by sharing what we learn about the science and planning for response and mitigation. SLIPP is made up of representatives from Tribes, municipalities, federal and state agencies and academic institutions. It's open to all.

This <u>DRAFT Landslide Strategic Plan</u> was put together with input from conversations and meetings with representatives from Tribal governments, municipal planners, the National Weather Service, the U.S. Geologic Survey, the US Forest Service, the State of Alaska(Department of Transportation, Division of Geologic and Geophysical Services), Sitka Sound Science Center, Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida), University of Alaska, University of Oregon, Oregon State University, and Sustainable Southeast Partnership. The SLIPP Steering Committee made up of representatives from many of these groups steered the process.

The idea is to create a plan that prioritizes landslide-related activities that need to be done immediately (1-3 years), soon (3-5 years) and plan for the future (beyond 5 years) so that we can protect our communities, utilize existing resources and come together efficiently and effectively.

But we cannot do this in a vacuum. We need YOUR help. We ask that you review this document and provide feedback on the priorities and activities. Please provide your feedback through this form We hope you can find time to share this with your colleagues, Tribal members and municipal leaders so that we can be sure to get as much input as possible. Once the feedback is incorporated into this plan, we are hoping to use it as a blueprint for moving forward.

Sincerely,

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