



Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council
General Restoration, Habitat Enhancement, Habitat Protection, and Facilities Projects
Quarterly Project Reporting Form

**Detailed instructions for each section below are given in Section II. Quarterly Project Reports in the Reporting Policy on the website, <https://evostc.state.ak.us/policies-procedures/reporting-procedures/>*

Project Number: 22220608

Project Title: Port Graham Habitat Enhancement

Principal Investigator(s):

Jon E. Shepherd - Port Graham Corporation (PGC)

Kyle Graham - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

Nathan Lojewski - Chugachmiut

Patrick Norman - Native Village of Port Graham (PGVC)

Reporting Periods and Due Dates:

<i>Reporting Period</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
February, March, April	June 1
May, June, July	September 1
August, September, October	December 1
November, December, January	March 1

Submission Date: June 1, September 1, December 1, or March 1

Project Website: NA

Please check all the boxes that apply to the current reporting period.

Project progress is on schedule.

Project progress is delayed

Budget reallocation request.

Personnel changes.

N/A all principal investigators remain actively involved in project planning and implementation.



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1. Summary of Work Performed:

In quarter 4 the Port Graham Subsistence Access and Habitat Restoration team met to discuss field season outcomes, began design processes for fish passage culvert replacements, connected with additional partners, began writing 2023 scope of work, and shared progress with community shareholders.

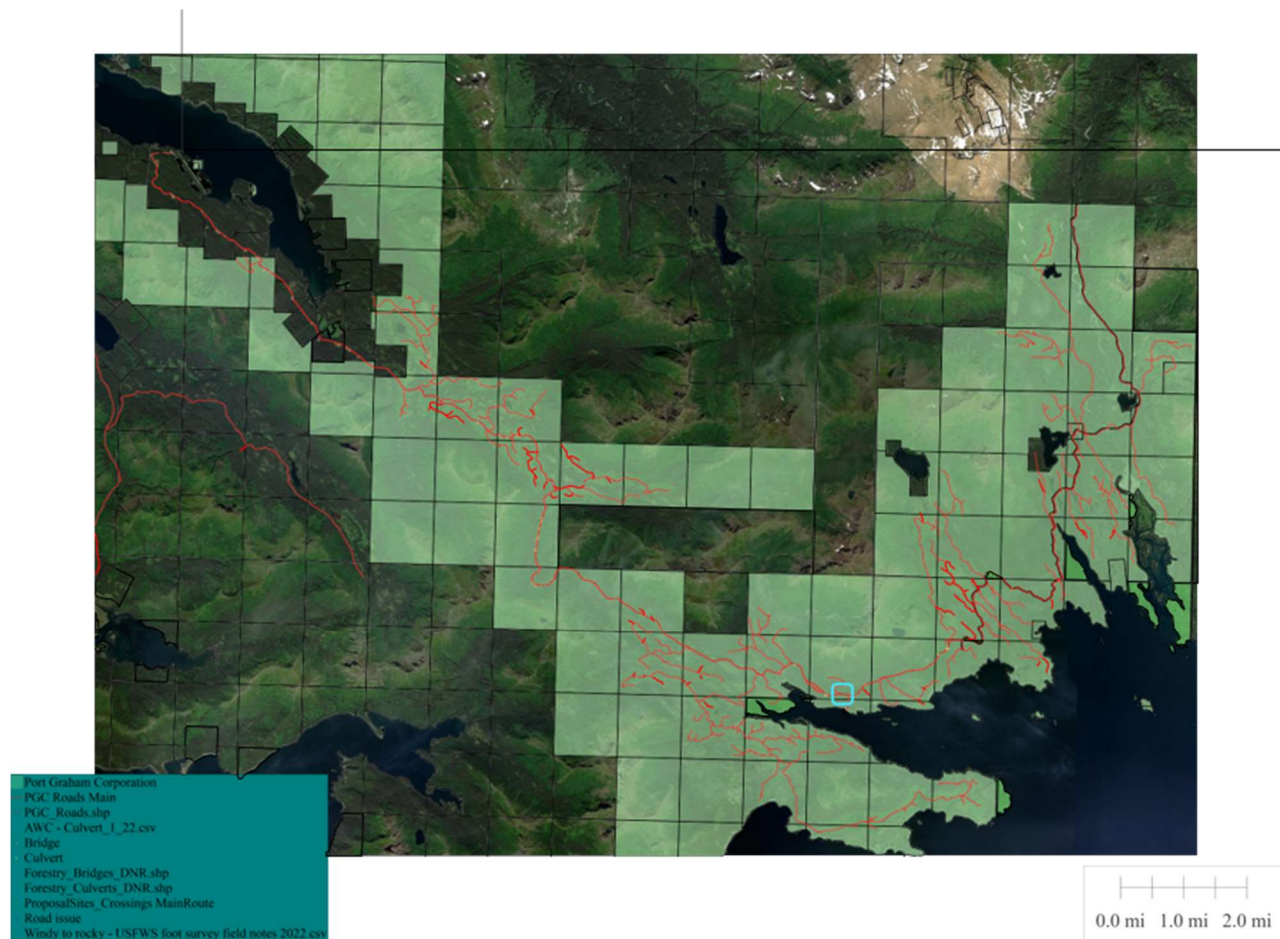


Figure 1: Road Overview and location of 2023 stream crossing construction project (circled in blue)

In December and January, two all-partners meetings were held at the Port Graham Corporation offices to share field reports, discuss goals for the 2023 field season, and coordinate efforts amongst partners. Both the Native Village of Port Graham and the Port Graham Corporation are working on different sections of the same road and coordination of these efforts are mandatory and ongoing.



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The following outline and table outlines the plan and progress for Q2 – Q4 in greater detail.

Scope of work Q 2- Q4:

1. Communications
 - a. Develop an operational partnership
 - b. Continued communications with Port Graham
 - i. Discussions with staff from the Port Graham Village Tribal Council
 - ii. Public meetings as needed in Port Graham, Alaska
2. Clear roads of vegetation and debris
3. Perform temporary road maintenance as needed to support clearing roads.
4. Document road condition and related maintenance issues.
5. Oversee the design of 5 stream crossings and develop a prioritization plan.

Task	Deliverables (FY22) (Q2-Q4)	Progress Through Q4 2022	Expected completion dates
Coordinate partner planning meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly meeting minutes • Two community meetings • Operational partnership with USFWS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Post-field season reports complete - Two all-partners planning and logistical coordination meetings completed - Weekly meetings between USFWS and PGC completed and ongoing - USFWS biologists and engineers meeting biweekly with PGC and contracted engineers to complete 5 concept and 2 complete designs for stream crossings. 	All project years, ongoing
Project management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logistical coordination between project partners • Hire project manager 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project managers hired in spring 2022 - Open and frequent communication maintained between FWS and PGC project officers -Communication is fluid and ongoing - Staffing change at FWS, Kyle Graham remains PI on project 	All project years, ongoing
Road Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Images and maps of road system • Updated road condition report • Project prioritization plan • Site assessment reports on the currently 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PGC flew over the entirety of the road system capturing aerial imagery of road issues and construction priorities in Q3 -USFWS did a foot survey of the road system to document road issues and stream crossing data in Q3 - Data shared amongst all project partners, ongoing. - PGC has website data portal available 	Ongoing, on track



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	inaccessible Windy and Rocky Bay roads	and data sharing is active and ongoing	
Clear roads of vegetation and debris – to Windy Bay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to sites for construction years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equipment was rented and vegetation clearing and minor road restoration began from the pass towards Windy Bay - Clearing began September 1st and completed once snow accumulation blocked access at the pass 	Complete to Scurvy Creek, ongoing 2023
Perform temporary road maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access for Native Village of Port Graham community members and project staff and equipment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Three sites between the pass and Windy Bay received some fill and/or lumber to create temporary passage for equipment to clear road of vegetation - Three potential entry points for construction equipment have been identified via the Village of Port Graham, Windy Bay Landing and at Picnic Harbor. All three points of entry have been cleared of vegetation for boat, ATV, and/or helicopter access for construction years. 	Complete in Q3, ongoing in 2023
Purchase equipment and supplies for project implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase field supplies for laborers and project partners • Purchase safety equipment • Purchase camp supplies • Purchase road clearing supplies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field supplies and equipment purchases and mobilization is ongoing - Landing for helicopter has been cleared at Rocky Bay Lodge allowing supply drop off - Bear deterrents delivered to field sites - Vegetation clearing increased safety immeasurably in the event of an emergency evacuation - Project partners now have experience and ideas for FY23 equipment and supply needs 	All project years as needed
Support USFWS in collection of habitat assessment and hydrologic data.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction and restoration site prioritization list • Five fish passage culverts designed and ready for construction • Future funding proposals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Initial site selection and survey complete. - Priority sites selected for 2023 construction and survey at all-partners meetings in December. - 2023 stream crossing construction project completed to 35% design, expected completion April 2023 	All project years, ongoing



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2. Abstract:

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3. Coordination and Collaboration:

In the fourth quarter, the USFWS, PGC, the Traditional Native Village of Port Graham (NVPG), Chugachmiut continued to work together to achieve project goals and objectives. All project partners worked together to achieve field work objectives, select priority stream crossings, and develop plans for the 2023 field season. PGC and USFWS project managers meet on a weekly basis to discuss next steps, updates, share data, and set meetings with additional project partners.

The partnership is intentionally and strategically collaborating with NVPG about the ongoing bridge construction replacing 3 bridges utilizing the Tribal Transportation program with the Federal Highways Program. The partnership is strategically selecting sites and dividing up project objectives to avoid duplication and promote strategic fiscal and logistical efficiency.

4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations and Comments:

No comments at this time.

5. Budget:



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Budget Category:		Proposed FY 22	Proposed FY 23	Proposed FY 24	Proposed FY 25	Proposed FY 26	5- YR TOTAL PROPOSED	ACTUAL CUMULATIVE
Personnel		39,640	39,640	39,640	39,640	39,640	198,200	\$32,476
Travel		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	15,000	\$5,521
Contractual		1,791,722	1,333,007	1,333,007	874,291	579,876	5,911,903	\$728,642
Commodities		500	500	500	500	500	2,500	\$1,111
Equipment		0	0	0	0	0	0	
Indirect Costs	Rate =	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SUBTOTAL		1,834,862	1,376,147	1,376,147	917,431	623,016	6,127,603	\$767,751
General Administration (9% of subtotal)		165,138	123,853	123,853	82,569	56,071	551,484	\$0
PROJECT TOTAL		2,000,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,000,000	679,087	6,679,087	\$767,751
Other Resources (In-Kind Funds)		450,000	1,767,376	1,767,376	0	0	3,984,752	

The USFWS utilizes the cooperative agreement process to develop annual budgets, scope of work, and accountability for project objectives and financial management. In Q4 project partners focused on field work, data organization, and project planning for the 2023 field season.

No additional direct charges were acquired in Q4. In Q1 FWS and PGC will amend the scope and budget of the cooperative agreement for the 2023 field season. This contract will be captured in the “Contractual” line of the budget.

The “contractual” column represents the current cooperative agreement between the USFWS and PGC (\$493,358) and the contract developed for survey and design (\$235,284) for road washouts and stream crossings. In Q1 project partners will develop year two scope of work and budget for the cooperative agreement process for work to begin seamlessly in spring 2023.

The majority of expenditures in Q4 were personnel and contractual expenses. USFWS personnel coordinated and attended partner meetings, provided technical assistance on site selection and habitat assessment, and oversaw stream crossings design team. PGC had a very successful quarter organizing data, planning project activities, and coordinating partners. Contracted hydrologist and engineers completed began drafting design documents and preparing construction cost estimates for 5 sites and have completed 35% design on 2023 project.