Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI)

- 1 of 12 regional ANCs
- Southcentral Alaska region
- Lands around Cook Inlet
- Anchorage-based
- Southcentral Alaska’s largest landowner
Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI)

• Diversified investor and developer
• Interests and investments in:
  • Energy and infrastructure
  • Oil and gas
  • Oilfield services
  • Hospitality and tourism
  • Telecommunications
  • Environmental remediation
  • Government contracting
  • Private equity and venture capital
  • Real estate development and management
Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI)

• Owned by more than 7,600 Alaska Native Shareholders

• Supports network of key non-profits in Anchorage providing health care, education and social services to Alaska Native population
Alaska Native Corporations

- Created by Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971
  - Codified at 43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.
- Established 12 regional corporations
- Established more than 200 village corporations
- Land entitlement of 44 million acres
- Capitalized with $1 billion
- Regional corporations own mineral estate
- Village corporations own surface estate near village location
The Twelve Regional Corporations

- Ahtna, Incorporated
- The Aleut Corporation (TAC)
- Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (ASRC)
- Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC)
- Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC)
- Calista Corporation
- Chugach Alaska Corporation (CAC)
- Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI)
- Doyon, Limited
- Koniag, Incorporated
- NANA Regional Corporation (NANA)
- Sealaska Corporation
Doing business with an ANC

You should know:

• The general history, culture, regional hub of the regional corporation you are approaching

• The general land ownership pattern in your area of interest

• Whether the surface estate is owned by the regional corporation or one of its villages

• General timing and procedure for securing land use or exploration rights
Doing business with an ANC

You should do:

• Communicate openly and frequently
• Plan in advance
• Review publicly available data, e.g. corporation’s website and annual report
• Visit leadership in communities near your area of interest
• Hire locally
• Be patient and prepared
Doing business with an ANC

You should **avoid**:

- Assumptions
- Rushing a decision
- Confusing regional corporations for village corporations or Tribes
- Assuming one entity can speak for or bind another
- RS 2477 or other ill-defined, undefined or non-consensual access routes
- Assumptions
Doing business with an ANC

You should understand:

• We understand the seasonal nature of your exploration and development work
• We know about permitting
• We know your motive
• We know our respective regions
• We often have non-public technical data about resources on our lands
• We have long-standing relationships with individuals and businesses serving our regions
• We can help you achieve your objective
Doing business with an ANC

You should also understand:

• We must balance monetary and non-monetary objectives
• We must coordinate with and respect our village corporations and tribes and their respective leaders
• We tend to have a long-term view of development
CIRI lands

- Largest landowner in Southcentral region
- >1.3 million acres of subsurface estate
- >600,000 acres of surface estate
- Mineral-prospective lands
- REE anomalies near or on CIRI estate
REE potential on or near CIRI lands
Doing business with CIRI

Key points:

• Mining access, exploration and leasing inquiries are handled by Land and Resources Department

• We have several unique land and access arrangements for historical reasons

• Some requests may require CIRI Board authorization to be granted—plan accordingly on timing

• CIRI has a history of direct involvement in hard rock resource exploration in Alaska