
TKC WPIA Letter of Support Template

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Good afternoon,

I hope you are doing well.

The Kuskokwim Corporation (TKC) is preparing an application for the USDA Forest Service's Wood Products Infrastructure Assistance (WPIA) program and is seeking the support of the City of Aniak. This federal program is designed to strengthen wood products infrastructure that utilizes material generated from forest ecosystem restoration activities—particularly on Tribal and federal lands at risk of wildfire, insect damage, and forest health decline. As part of our Harvest to Home (H2H) initiative, TKC is proposing to use WPIA funding to purchase wood harvesting equipment that will enable us to responsibly increase timber harvest capacity on TKC lands and support long-term forest and community resilience.

This project directly supports the goals of the WPIA program by:

- Increasing utilization of timber and woody biomass generated from forest management and restoration activities
- Supporting active forest management and improving forest health in the Middle Kuskokwim regio
- Reducing wildfire risk through increased removal of hazardous fuels
- Strengthening local wood supply chains and manufacturing capacity
- Creating jobs and workforce development opportunities in rural Alaska
- Contributing to long-term, locally driven housing and economic solutions

TKC is eligible to procure mobile harvesting equipment under this program—allowing us to directly implement and scale restoration-based timber operations in-region. We are requesting your support in the form of a [letter of support](#) to accompany our application. Strong letters from regional partners are a critical component of a competitive proposal and help demonstrate alignment with local priorities, partnerships, and long-term impact. For your convenience, we have attached a template letter of support that you may use or modify.

If you are willing and able to assist, please submit your letter of support by [April 17, 2026](#).

Letters can be returned via email. If you would like to discuss the project or tailor your letter to reflect your organization's involvement or perspective, I would be happy to connect. We appreciate your continued partnership and your support of sustainable economic development and forest stewardship in the Middle Kuskokwim region.

Regards,

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