

Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants Tribes and Intertribal Consortia Fact Sheet **Tyonek Native Corporation**

Selected Grant Recipient

Name: Tyonek Native Corporation

Project Location: Tyonek, AK

Project Title: Tyonek Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Project

EPA Information

Region: EPA Region 10

Highlights

- Renovates 2 existing buildings into recycling facilities.
- Diverts approximately 12 tons of solid waste annually, including metals, e-waste, plastics, and tires.
- Creates 1 full-time recycling technician job.

Grant Funding: \$1,500,000

The Tyonek Native Corporation will increase recycling for a remote Alaska Native Village and promote awareness through outreach and education programs. The project will renovate two existing buildings for sorting and storing materials for reuse and recycling, purchase supplies and equipment for recycling and backhaul, conduct a waste audit, and update the solid waste management plan. This program will promote a cleaner environment and better health for the community, reduce pollution, and increase community stewardship.

SWIFR Grants for Tribes and Intertribal Consortia

The Save Our Seas 2.0 Act provides investments in recycling to support the implementation of the National Recycling Strategy and build a circular economy for all. This funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing for more efficient resource use and less environmental impact from waste materials. The SWIFR grant funding can be used to develop or update post-consumer materials management plans; establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate, and quality of materials collected.

