



Earth in Transition



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A decorative header at the top of the slide features a central white globe with a blue and green landscape below it. This globe is flanked by two identical rectangular panels, each showing a blue sky, green hills, and brown ground. The entire header is set against a dark blue background.

Global Climate Change

SER's Working Group, the Indigenous Peoples Restoration Network Convened a historic one-one day gathering of indigenous experts to discuss Ideas and share expertise on how TEK can address global climate change

Invited TEK experts and practitioners included 40 indigenous leaders and activists from the Arctic and Subarctic regions; Africa, Central Asia, and Australia; the South Pacific/Indian Ocean islands, South and Central America, and the Caribbean.

Impact of Climate Change on Arctic Communities



In my presentation, I pointed out that “permafrost is becoming impermanent. Glaciers are retreating 15 percent every decade. Spruce beetles are decimating forest areas. Hunting areas are being closed. Snows are disappearing.



Changing our Way of Life



Here in Alaska, “Elders can no longer predict the thickness of the ice so people are falling through the thin ice.” The entire culture and way of life of our people and others who rely on hunting, fishing and foraging to survive is threatened”.



Adapting to change

Global climate change is affecting Indigenous peoples environment, culture and physical survival

“Scientist and TEK practitioners agree that we are only just beginning to feel its effects, and that we can expect more dramatic changes” (SER).