

**Bristol Bay CEDS
Workforce-Small Business Industry Meeting
October 19, 2022**

NOTES

3pm-4pm

1. **Call to Order-** Judy Jo Matson called the meeting to order at 3:04pm

2. **Introduction of CEDS committee members in attendance-** Judy Jo Matson, Bertha Pavian-Lockuk, Russell Phelps, Kristina Andrew

Kristina gave an overview of the CEDS document and benefits of leveraging the CEDS.

3. **Presentations (3:05pm)**

a. Polly Watson, Manager, Government Contracting for Bristol Bay Native Corporation, Review of the Native 8(a) Program

Polly gave an overview of what the 8a program through BBNC offers for Bristol Bay tribes and village corporations to obtain 8a contracts with the federal government. This program will help local tribes and native corporations with exploring the 8a contracts.

b. Casey Sifsof, Shareholder Development Director, Bristol Bay Native Corporation: Review from the Bristol Bay Workforce Planning Group October 13 Meeting and Next Steps

Casey gave an overview of the Bristol Bay Workforce meeting in early October 2022, which identifies the barriers faced by the workforce and employers. BBNC is holding regular collaboration meetings to identify solutions to workforce barriers. BBNC is also collecting data on the needs.

4. **Group Q & A and Discussion**

Meeting participants had questions and comments about the 8a program and Bristol Bay Workforce Planning Group.

5. **Adjournment** – Kristina Andrew Adjourned the meeting at 4pm