

# Nelson Lagoon Tribal Council

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After many years our present breakwater has finally succumbed to high tides and extraordinary winds. 2011 has played havoc with our shore line, not only on the Lagoon side, but the Bering Sea side. As one can see the damage at the Lagoon point is threatening two homes and threatening the entrance to the village.

We are requesting emergency funding to replace the existing breakwater. I know there have been a number of feasibility studies done over the years by the Corp of Engineers and other agencies, but there have been no results that came out of the studies. For the money that went into these studies, this village could have had a breakwater.

We are now faced with a scenario of losing homes and losing more of our village. This is a dire situation which needs to be addressed now. We need help now. We cannot emphasize enough the urgency of our present situation. Again, we are asking for emergency funding.

Please review the attached pictures. Please contact Mark McNeley for further information. Mark is the EPA Director for Nelson Lagoon. His telephone number is: 989-4070 or 989-2217. The Council office number is; 989-2204.

Residents of Nelson Lagoon  
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