

The Role of Research in Economic Development

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Economic development

Licensing of technology/processes/plants

Intellectual property protection

Inventions with commercial potential

Research

Economic Development



- When an Alaskan company licenses new technology it gets a competitive advantage...
- It can increase its revenue.
- It can create new, sustainable jobs.
- When an Alaskan company licenses new technology consumers get products and services that are:
 - better quality;
 - lower cost; and/or
 - more efficient.
- When an Alaskan company licenses new technology it builds a strong relationship with the University that:
 - Leads to the company having access to cutting edge research. This leads to better technology, more competitiveness in business, and better products.

Research to Inventions



- The University of Alaska has over 50 research centers that span a wide variety of fields, including, but not limited to agriculture, biology, computing, fisheries, ocean science, geophysics, mineral science, energy, and engineering.
- These research centers have produced many new technologies.
- Viable technologies are protected and commercialized.
- Research is done on technology owned by others. In many cases the value of improvements are shared.

Inventions to Businesses



The Role of OIPC

- The best way for university research to be valuable to a company the intellectual property must be protected and available to be licensed by the business.
- OIPC was established to streamline the process from invention to commercial licensing.

The Role of the Nanook Innovation Corporation (NIC)

NIC was established to work directly with businesses licensing university inventions.

The Role of Nanook Tech Ventures (NTV)

- Create and support start-up companies.
- Hold equity in companies.
- Manage consulting contracts.

OIPC's Process:



Step I: Applied and Basic Research and Development

- Faculty perform \$114 Million in research annually.
- Invent potentially ~15 technologies annually with commercial potential.

Step 2: Consultation with the OIPC

- OIPC assess whether intellectual property exists, and determine the scope of the intellectual property.
- OIPC, in conjunction with the business sector, determines whether the invention has commercial potential.

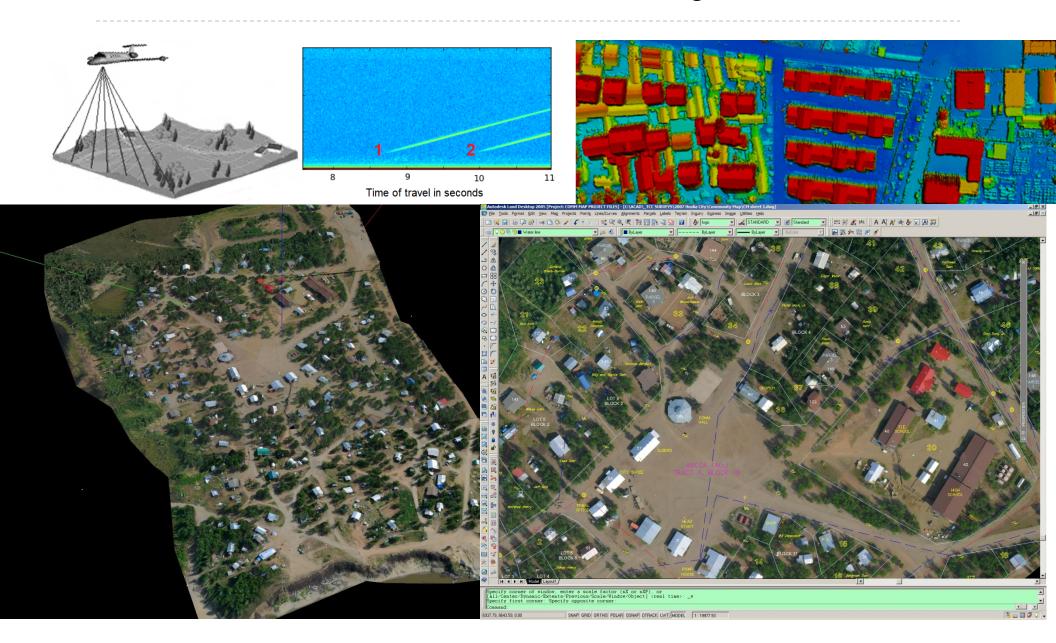
Step 3: Assignment to NIC for commercialization

Step 4: Assignment to NTV for business creation

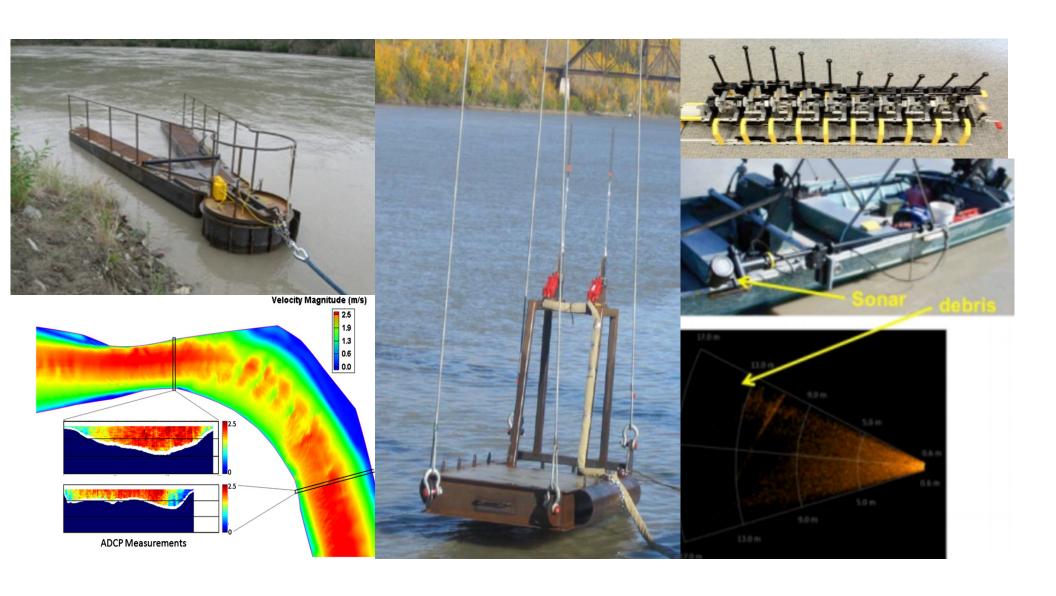
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How you can help



- \rightarrow Research \rightarrow \rightarrow Economic development
- Support small businesses through:
 - Mentoring and coaching
 - Networking and establishing corporate relations
 - Connecting financial resources
- Help us connect research with local and regional businesses who may be interested in new, competitive technology.



Questions?



Intellectual Property and Economic Development.

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