

Chris Rose is the founder and Executive Director of Renewable Energy Alaska Project (REAP), a non-profit coalition of over 75 diverse energy stakeholder organizations working to increase the development of renewable energy and promote energy efficiency across Alaska. REAP has been instrumental in helping to establish and fund clean energy programs and projects across Alaska, including the creation of the state's Renewable Energy Fund in 2008, the Emerging Energy Technology Fund in 2010, Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy legislation in 2017 and the formation of the Railbelt's first regional Electric Reliability Organization in 2020. Before establishing REAP in 2004, Mr. Rose had a private law practice for over a decade that included work in remote Northwest Arctic villages and the mediation of a variety disputes around the state. He has written a monthly opinion column for Alaska's only statewide newspaper, served on various statewide boards and committees and is currently the chairman of the state's Renewable Energy Fund Advisory Committee. Since 2008, that Fund has granted over \$270 million to 80 renewable energy projects that today are displacing the equivalent of 30 million gallons of diesel fuel each year. Mr. Rose also served on climate action advisory committees for Governor Sarah Palin and Governor Bill Walker. He lives 65 miles northeast of Anchorage, where he and his partner grow flowers and food on a small farm. In his free time he loves to cook, walk in the Alaska wilderness and visit ancient cultures around the world. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Iowa with a B.A. in Political Science and a Certificate in Global Studies and received his law degree from the University of Oregon, with a Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law.