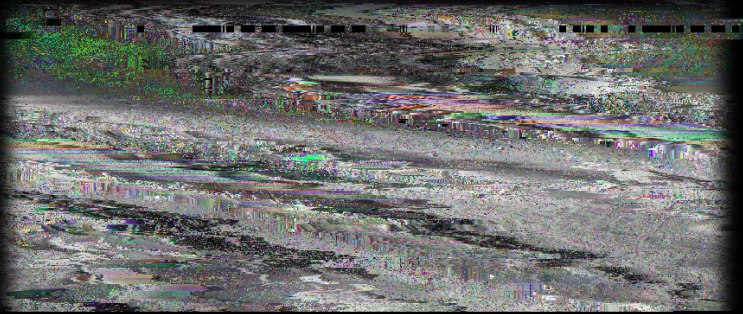


## Partnering with the state for economic recovery



UA is requesting funding from the state's ARPA discretionary funds for critical economic investments

### ARPA Investment Areas for Economic Development

- Critical Minerals and Rare Earth Elements
- Oil and Gas Recovery
- Drone Program
- Mariculture, North Pacific Fisheries, Arctic and Pacific North Ocean Sciences
- Health
- Alternate Energy

These are areas in which the university has a deep base of expertise and the state has identified as priorities. Investments into existing areas of expertise at UAA, UAF and UAS will help us meet state and national needs and build a stronger foundation for Alaska's long-term economic growth.

The University of Alaska (UA) remains focused on delivering high value programs to meet Alaska's workforce needs and on partnering with the State on economic recovery.

Alaska has great potential to expand industry sectors in large scale mariculture, environmentally sound rare earth mineral extraction, alternative energy, and especially in drone advancement and technology. Expanding our health care programs is also essential.

Separate from the State funding request, UA is requesting funds from the state's discretionary federal funds from the American Recovery Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF) to invest in these areas critical to Alaska's economic recovery. With these one-time investments, UA will gain national prominence and have a significant positive impact on the state. These investment areas will be sustained without additional/future state funding.

In addition to these areas of ARPA investment, through university resources augmented by federal funds and philanthropic giving, UA will focus priority attention on Arctic strategic and defense initiatives, the Alaska Native Success Initiative, overall enrollment initiatives and increasing teaching professionals.

