

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) in a dark, starry sky. The aurora displays vibrant green and yellow-green bands of light. Below the sky, a dark, rocky coastline is visible with several large, light-colored rock formations in the water. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

# **CAP Implementation Workshop 2018 Hong Kong, China**

# Indigenous Language CAP Alerts

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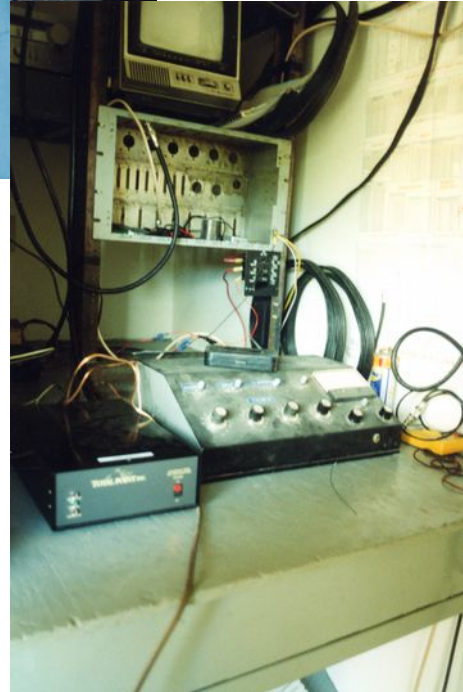
# Background

**Commercial broadcaster in northern Canada since 1997**

**Great Grandfather was the first International member of SMPTE standards in 1918**

**Manufacturer of CAP equipment for Canada's radio and television industry**

**Champion of open source with CAP client for broadcast**



# History





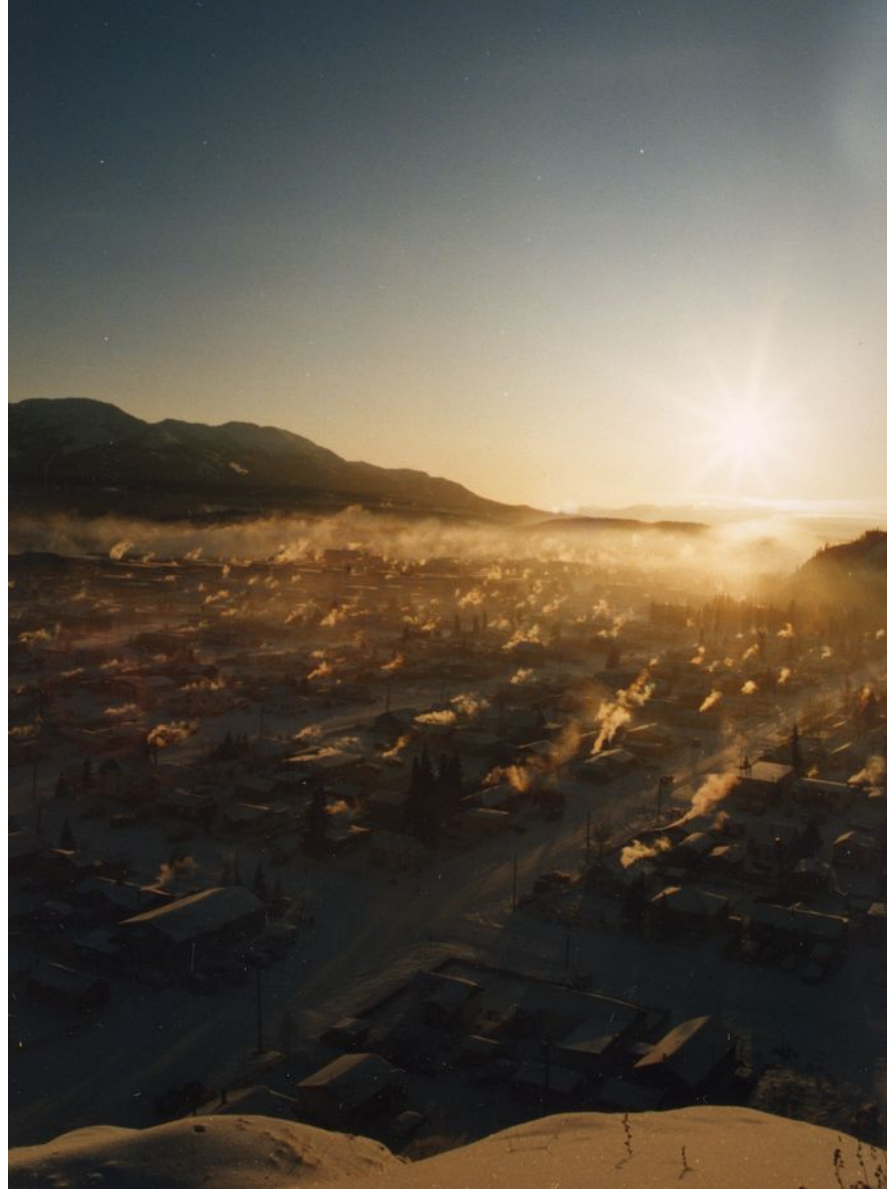


# CJUC Radio Whitehorse YT

**CJUC 92.5 FM**

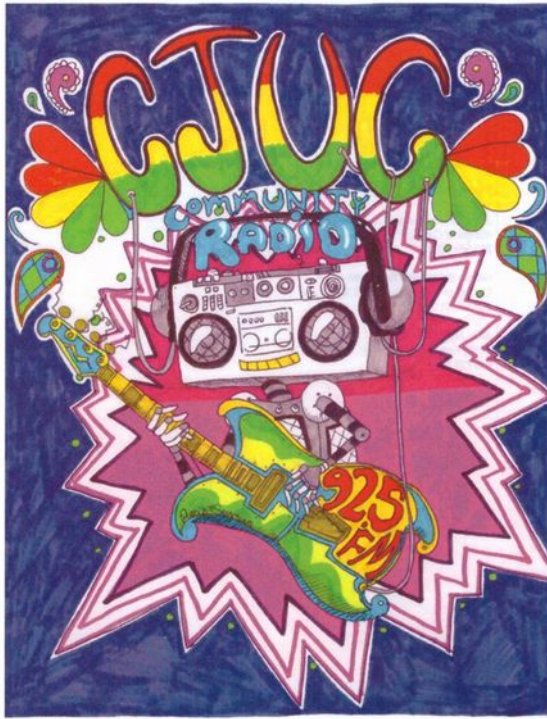


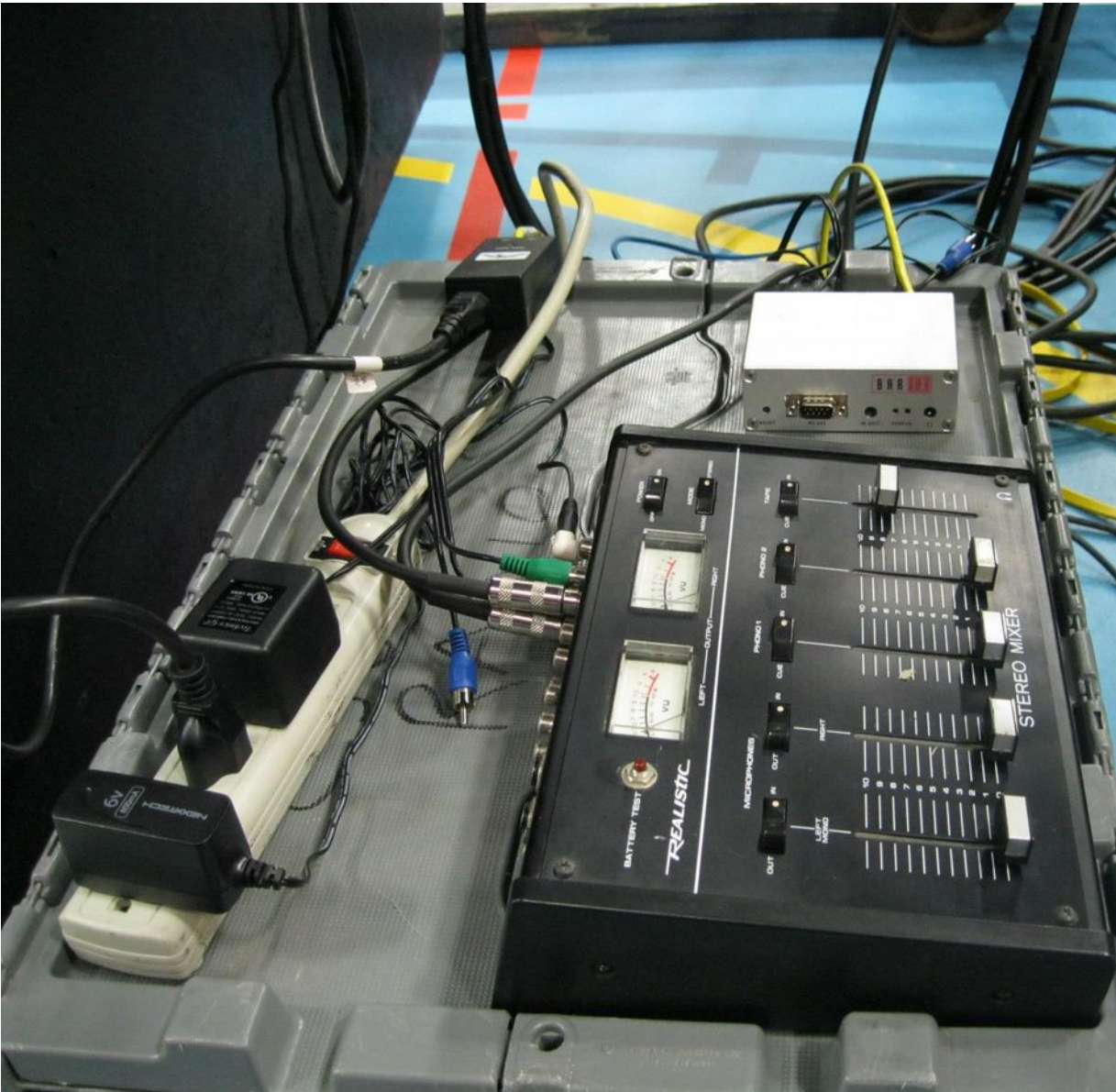












# CAP in Canada

Text, Audio and Image Support for Radio and Television recently including Cell Broadcast for mobile

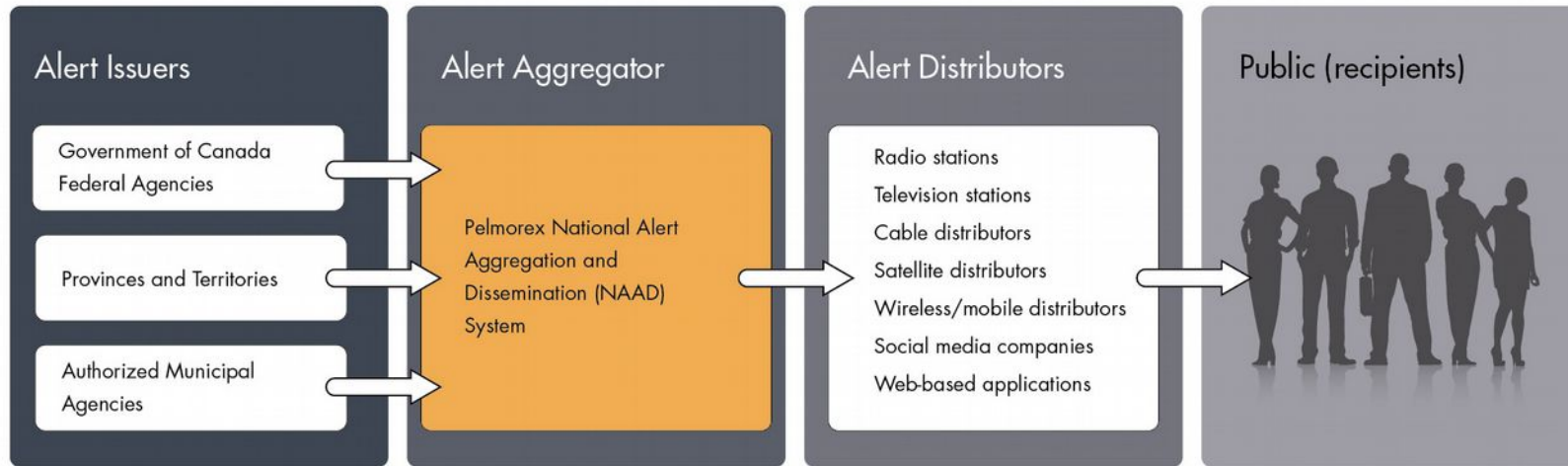
CAP-CP Profile for English and French

Support for Indigenous Languages, although presently unused

Pelmorex NAAD distributes CAP feeds by TCP/IP socket, C Band or 2 KU band satellite.

*Note. In Canada it is not permissible to receive broadcast intrusive alerts via RSS.*

# National Public Alerting System (NPAS)



## Alert Timeline

1

An emergency management organization (**Issuer**) decides to issue an alert.

2

An authorized **Issuer** enters the alert into the **NAAD System**.

3

The **NAAD System** ensures quick and secure delivery of alerts to the **Distributors**, exactly as provided by the **Issuer**.

4

The **Public** receives alerts through various channels and responds appropriately to the emergency or situation.



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of Canada

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# Examples of Alerts

Aggressive Wild Animals

Extreme Cold and Blizzards

Extended Power and Telecommunications Outages

Evacuation notifications for Fire, Floods and Landslides







# Open Souce CAP Client

Emergency Alerting is a cornerstone of Radio and Television automation

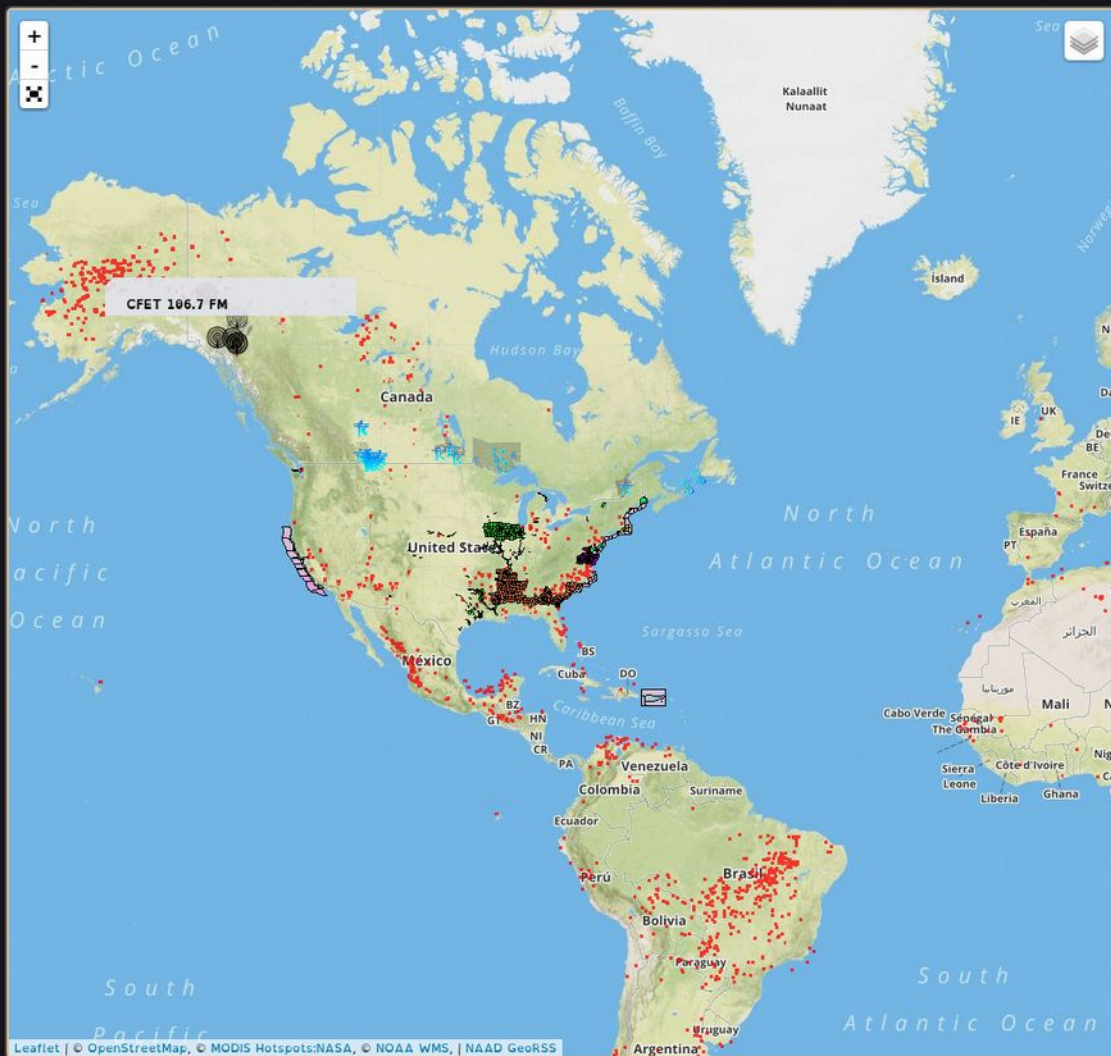
Used internationally on every continent, except for Antarctic

Runs on generic PC equipment including the 35.00 USD Raspberry PI



# Raspberry PI





Openbroadcaster

OB Player (Active)

MODIS Hotspots

Fire Hotspot

NAAD Alerts(CAN)

event type symbol

- Air Quality
- Rainfall
- Squall
- Freezing Drizzle
- Freezing Rain
- Snowfall
- Blowing Snow
- Winter Storm
- Blizzard
- Fog
- Wind
- Cold Temperature

NOAA Alerts (USA)

notification symbol

- Air Stagnation Advisory
- Areal Flood Advisory
- Areal Flood Warning
- Areal Flood Watch
- Ashfall Advisory
- Blizzard Warning
- Blizzard Watch
- Blowing Dust Advisory
- Blowing Snow Advisory
- Brisk Wind Advisory
- Coastal Flood Advisory
- Coastal Flood Statement
- Coastal Flood Warning
- Coastal Flood Watch
- Dense Fog Advisory
- Dense Smoke Advisory
- Dust Storm Warning
- Excessive Heat Warning
- Excessive Heat Watch
- Extreme Cold Warning
- Extreme Cold Watch
- Extreme Wind Warning
- Fire Weather Warning
- Fire Weather Watch
- Flash Flood Statement
- Flash Flood Warning

media playlists

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Artist	Title	Time
a Jefferson Starship	Fire	04:47
a Jimi Hendrix at Woodstock	Fire	03:42
a The National	Fireproof	02:58
a Arcade Fire	Neon Bible	02:17
a Arcade Fire	Intervention	04:19
a Arcade Fire	Black Wave-Bad Vibrations	03:58
a Arcade Fire	Ocean of Noise	04:54
a Arcade Fire	The Well And The Lighthouse	03:57
a Arcade Fire	[Antichrist Television Blues]	05:10
a Arcade Fire	Windowsill	04:16
a Arcade Fire	No Cars Go	05:44
a Arcade Fire	My Body Is A Cage	04:47
a Arcade Fire	Black Mirror	04:13
a Arcade Fire	Keep The Car Running	03:29
a Groove Armada	Fireside Favourite	04:20
a Capercaille	The Price Of Fire	04:05
a The Wilders	Settin' The Woods On Fire	02:22
a Sleepy John Estes	Fire Department Blues	03:06

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° Sitka

**RAINFALL WARNING IN EFFECT**[\(LINK TO SOURCE\)](#)

Description: rainfall warning in effect

Expires: 2015-01-26T15:32:00-08:00

Originated from CAP Alert:

Environment Canada, 2015-01-25T23:32:00-00:00,

2.49.0.1.124.6de6d887.2015

Area: Central Coast - inland sections

☐ Contrast☐ Watercolor☒ OpenStreetMap☒ MODIS Fires - Past 24h☒ MODIS Fires - Past 48h☒ NOAA Alerts (USA)☒ NAAD Alerts (CAN)☐ Clouds☐ Snow☒ Precipitation**Openbroadcaster**

OBS Player

(Active)

OBS Player

(Emergency)

**MODIS Hotspots**

Fire Hotspot

**NAAD Alerts(CAN)**

event type

symbol

Air Quality



Rainfall



Squall



Freezing Drizzle



Freezing Rain



Snowfall



Blowing Snow



Winter Storm



Blizzard



Fog



Wind



Cold Temperature

**NOAA Alerts (USA)**

## Alerting System Tests

### Active Alerts

**Cancel**

**Sender**

Times Played

## Headline

Test -this is a scheduled test of the yukon emergency measures organization's emergency public alerting system no action is required this is a test only  
This is a scheduled Test of the Yukon Emergency Measures Organization's emergency public alerting system No Action is required This is only a Test. There is No threat of an emergency or disaster in progress at this time. If this had been an actual emergency or threat. You would hear instructions that would assist you to protect you and your family. No Action is required. This is only a Test.

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Terminal - cfet:/opt/obplayer
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
6.33.05 001BCBB4B8B.9BC8.65A2.2ACB.675DD7D2B1AF.xml
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[Sep 16 2015 22:45:27 UTC] [debug] received alert B04BEF53-A633-A158-C39F-FE9512
69FAF1 (2015-09-16T15:45:15-07:00)
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[Sep 16 2015 22:45:47 UTC] [player] now playing track ?: Emergency Alert - B04BE
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ion: 8s type: 'audio' source: alerts)
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alerts)
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# UNESCO Year of the Indigenous Languages

- 7 thousand Languages spoken worldwide
- 370 million Indigenous people in the world
- 90 countries with Indigenous communities
- 5 thousand different Indigenous cultures
- 2680 languages in danger

*Source UNESCO <https://en.iyil2019.org/>*

# Indigenous Nations in Canada

- 634 groups; First Nations, Inuit and Metis
- 60 Regional Dialects with 20 spoken
- Handful will survive Cree, Ojibway and Inuktitut
- Inuktitut\Inuinnaqtun in remote arctic communities spoken by 30% of house holds



**Nuxalk First Nation**

**CKNN 91.1 FM**  
**Bella Coola, British**  
**Columbia**











**QUIET**

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91.1 FM Bella Coola  
**nuxalk**  
RADIO.COM

Lhulhamktulhs ala  
ts'ktaliwalh alh ti  
s-kulhulmcilh t'ayc  
n wa sulutilh ats.

# Challenge

- Not everyone is located near a cell base station or has a smartphone phone
- Equipment manufacturers do not support indigenous dialects
- Alerts understood by indigenous people in remote communities
- TTS engines do not presently support indigenous languages



# Kitikmeot Radio Network Cambridge Bay, Nunavut

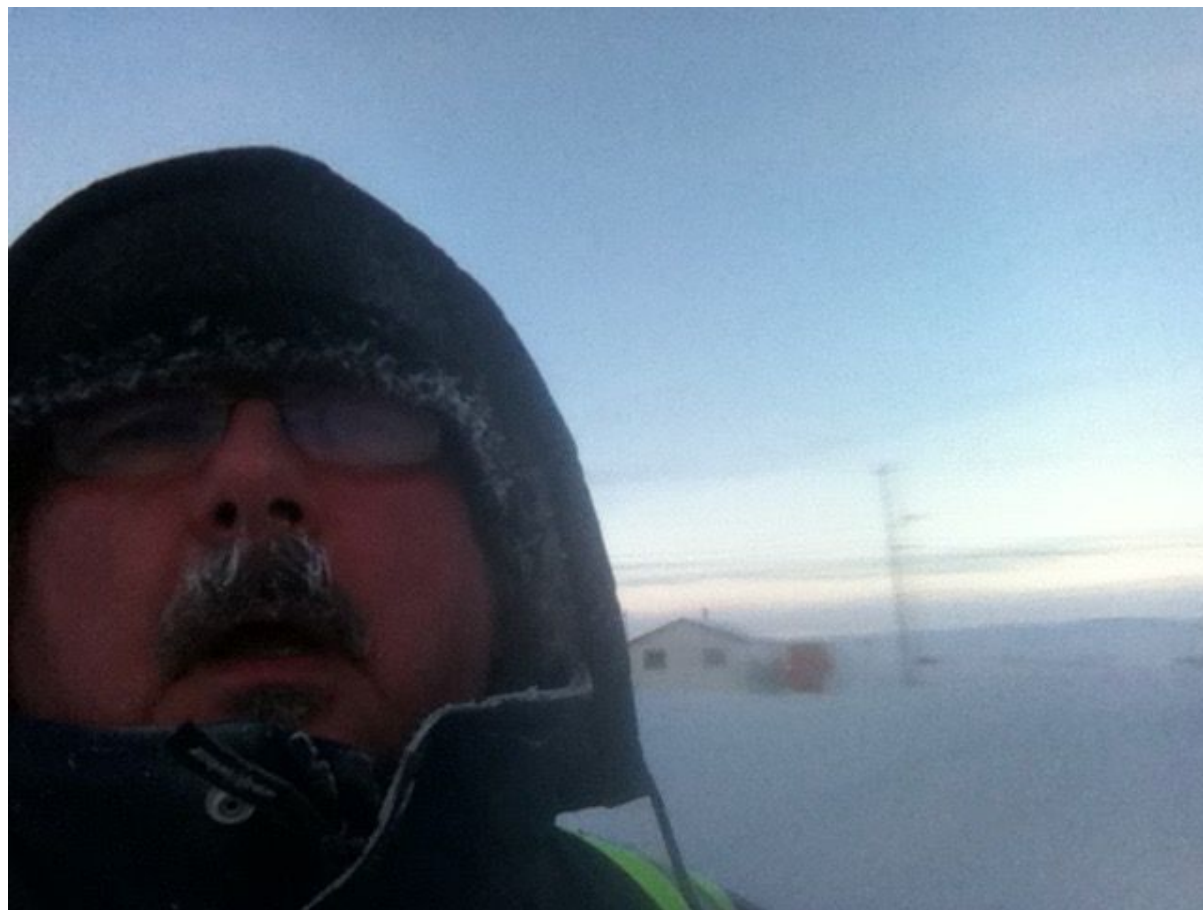
























# Solution

- 20 phrases recorded by community members
- Framework for other countries and languages
- Available as open source for communities to utilize

# Workflow Example

- 1) Equipment is configured to associate available languages with alerting area. IE Tlingit with Tagish Area, Nuxalk in Bella Coola.
- 2) Valid CAP message is received matching alerting area polygon
- 3) Starts with standard alerting tones
- 4) Artificial Intelligence associates the message in CAP alert with available recorded phrases
- 5) Canned message plays in regional dialect “A severe blizzard is happening in your area, stay tuned for more details”
- 6) Regular detailed message follows in English\French.





# Resources

observer on GitHub

obplayer on GitHub

Support Site

DIY Maker Space Instructions

# Get Involved

Do you have an idea to make open source CAP emergency alerting better?

Have some coding skills? Want to learn?

We want to hear from you!

Contact us

[www.openbroadcaster.com](http://www.openbroadcaster.com)



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**Thank-You!**