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NARRATORS: FELIX J. WALKER, SR. AND JIMMY WALKER INTERVIEWERS:
KAREN BREWSTER AND CLAIRE ALIX PLACE: SCAMMON BAY, ALASKA
DATE:6/30/04 NOTE: 8 MM VIDEOS. RE: WOOD COLLECTING, I.D., WALRUS
HUNTING

PART 1

00.00.01

Claire and Karen are on the shore with Felix Walker, Sr. They talk about and look at different kinds of driftwood.

They talk about what they use the different kinds of wood for, such as houses, boats, fish racks.

00.12.40

Felix Walker finds an edible plant on the beach and explains how it can be used in cooking.

Felix Walker is looking for a piece of wood ideal for bow and arrow.

00.23.10

Grandson Jimmy Walker joins the group and brings a new kind of driftwood.

PART 2

00.00.01

Felix Walker continues to examine driftwood and identify different kinds of trees. Jimmy Walker carries driftwood down the beach.

Claire and Felix look at a kind of wood called avureliq [sp?]. It is a mix of hickory and something else [?]. It is often used for fish racks and posts. The inside of this kind of wood is good for bow and arrow.

00.05.00

The team is sailing down the coast with samples of driftwood.

00.07.10

The team is at a different location on the shore, examining driftwood. Felix Walker explains why a particular piece of wood is good for bow and arrow. It has no notches or cracks and it contains avurelgut [sp?], which is dry wood.

00.10.00

Felix points to a piece of wood that he calls "Money-Money". He can make spoons out of it. It is called mamunaq [sp?] or maskunaq [sp?]. They also refer to it as tasheroq [sp?].

00.14.30

They look at a piece of driftwood that has unachak [sp?] in it.

00.21.15

Claire and Karen are with Felix Walker at his fish camp on July 1st. The camp's place name means "Welcome to Ine's [sp?] camp". They talk about Felix' woodcarving and he demonstrates how he works.

00.34.00

Felix uses a kapun [sp?] to make the surface of the wood smooth.

00.39.30

Claire asks if Felix remembers any songs or stories about using driftwood. He says that he was too young to really remember that. And he already told them some stories earlier.

00.44.00

He uses wood for steam baths and fire baths and those are really different treatments for the body.

00.50.30

Claire has a list of words for wood that she would like Felix to look at and to comment on whether he knows the kinds of wood and what they are used for. [They go over the list – see film to identify the words]