

EXCERPT FROM RECORDED INTERVIEW OF ANESIA NEWYAKA TALKING ABOUT
STINKWEED

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JUDITH MORRIS: Did your mom ever go out and collect wild plants for you to eat like in springtime?

ANESIA NEWYAKA: Yeah, for taakuk. (phonetic) Wild -- I mean brush, you know, hang them and dry them out for winter.

JUDITH MORRIS: And what would do you with them, then?

ANESIA NEWYAKA: We used them for --

JUDITH MORRIS: Oh, for --

ANESIA NEWYAKA: -- steam.

JUDITH MORRIS: For the steam bath or -- ?

ANESIA NEWYAKA: Yeah.

JUDITH MORRIS: The plants that you --

ANESIA NEWYAKA: Yeah. Whatever we hurt, we steam it right there.

JUDITH MORRIS: And what do they call that kind of plant?

ANESIA NEWYAKA: Taakuk.

JUDITH MORRIS: Taakuk.

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