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Any charges reported in these statements are accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent until or unless proven guilty.

Troopers

Feb. 9 — Alaska State Troopers were notified of a death in Noorvik. According to investigation, Alfred L. Coffin, 59, of Noorvik, passed away of natural causes while cutting firewood. Coffin's family was present at the time of the report. The State Medical Examiner's Office was notified and Coffin's remains were released to his family.

Feb. 15 — Alaska State Troopers received a report from Kivalina that Willard Adams, Jr., 28, of Kivalina, was overdue from a snowmachine trip between Kotzebue and Kivalina. Search and rescue teams launched from both communities. Just after midnight on Feb. 16 a Northwest Arctic Borough Search and Rescue unit found Adams south of Kivalina in a shelter cabin. Adams had reportedly run out of fuel and then sought shelter. An uninjured Adams was transported to Kivalina.

Feb. 19 — Howard J. Ferreira, 38, of

Noorvik, was arrested for first-degree harassment, fourth-degree assault and on an arrest warrant for failing to appear in court. The original charge he was meant to appear for was failure to register as a sex offender. Ferreira was arrested after the Noorvik VPO received a report that Ferreira had allegedly inappropriately touched a 13-year-old girl, placing her in fear. He was held on no bail and has six months to serve. Ferreira was transported to the Kotzebue Regional Jail.

Feb. 22 — Norman M. Greist, 28, of Selawik, was arrested for third- and fourth-degree assault on a law enforcement officer. The Ambler Village Police Officer reported that Greist had attacked him after the VPO had responded to a call for service. When he arrived at the residence, Greist allegedly attacked him, strangling and beating the officer. The VPO was able to escape, and responding Alaska State Troopers arrested Greist and transported him to the Kotzebue Regional Jail. Alcohol was a factor in this incident.

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public hearing the merits of amending the existing ordinance, its members heard emotional testimony from Roberta Leavitt.

Leavitt told the Assembly that the ordinance and proposed amendment were well-intentioned. But like many well-intentioned acts enacted by governments, she said, there were unintended side-effects to the Native preference hiring ordinance. Leavitt said some Native families on the North Slope include a non-Native as a spouse or significant other. In those families where the Native member is content or forced to stay home with children and the non-Native is the nominal breadwinner, or when the household requires two incomes, the hiring preference ordinance can affect profoundly the non-Native and, indirectly, his or her family.

"How are they going to be able to support their children?" Leavitt asked. "Think about the children, too, who are Native." She told the Assembly that the Native preference hiring ordinance, as written, discriminates indirectly against these families. "That wasn't the vision of the North Slope Borough," she said. Leavitt noted that during recent debates about the rates for potable water Adams had challenged the administration of Mayor Benjamin Nageak to listen to its constituents. She asked Adams and the Assembly to do the same for her concerns and to consider tailoring the ordinance to address them.

But when the Assembly adjourned the public hearing and it returned to discuss and vote on the amendment during its regular session, not one member referred to Leavitt's testimony. The vote to amend the ordinance was swift and unanimous.



Kiana Airport Improvements Public Meeting

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) are proposing a project to improve safety and efficiency issues at the Bob Baker Memorial Airport (IAN) in Kiana, Alaska. The proposed improvements being considered include:

- Options to extend the Runway to 4,000 feet in length
- Grade and Resurface the Runway
- Find a Long term Solution for relocating the Apron
- Improve Drainage
- Develop a Material Site and Haul Route

DOT&PF is conducting a public meeting to present the project during this early stage of design and the environmental assessment process. Please come and learn about the proposed project actions and provide your comments regarding potential impacts. Project team members will be available to discuss the project, answer questions, and document public comments. Your input at this time is important.

Join us for a public meeting:

WHEN: Monday March 4, 2013, 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Kiana School, Kiana, AK

An environmental analysis of the proposed project is underway to comply with the conditions of the National Environmental Policy Act. This project is being developed in accordance with the following special purpose regulations including: Sections 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act; Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act; Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act; and Executive Orders 11988 (Floodplain Protection), 11990 (Wetlands Protection), and 12898 (Environmental Justice).

Persons wishing to submit written comments may deliver them at the meeting, or send them to the following address by March 29, 2013: R. William Cole, P.E., 2301 Peger Road, Fairbanks, AK 99709 or e-mail your comments to rodney.cole@alaska.gov.

It is the policy of the DOT&PF that no person will be excluded from participation in, or be denied benefits of any programs, services or activities we provide based on race, religion, color, gender, age, marital status, ability, or national origin. This policy will be implemented regardless of the funding source, including Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Highway Administration and State of Alaska funds.

The State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, and/or special modifications to participate in this public meeting should contact R. William Cole at 907-451-5107 or TDD 907-451-2363, no later than 10:00 am March 4th to make any necessary arrangements.



modern day HUNTERS

NANA Career Fair! March 1, 2013, 9:00a-3:00p Kotzebue Middle High School

Hunt for opportunities at this annual event organized by NANA's Shareholder Employment and Development Department in partnership with Northwest Arctic Borough School District. This annual event brings over 40 exhibitors to you to offer information on careers, education, training and more.

Students participating can be entered for a drawing to win an electronic tablet or Beats by Dre earphones! Adults, don't feel left out! You will also have a chance to win a 7 inch Google Nexus pad! Stop by the NANA Shareholder Employment and Development table for details on how to enter.

NANA Shareholder Employment & Development thanks our partner, Northwest Arctic Borough School District and also all of our exhibitors for participating.

Like us on Facebook- for news, updates and opportunity announcements! You can also find us on Twitter and LinkedIn.

Don't miss out on our Annual Meeting Career Fair in Kiana on March 18th. Ask how to win a drum of stove oil!

Questions? Shareholder Employment & Development Department: shed@nana.com or 1-800-478-2000.





Kiana Airport and Safety Area Improvements

Project No. 63179

Public Open House

March 4, 2013 5:30 P.M. Kiana School, Kiana, AK

Public Meeting Summary

Project Team Attendees:

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DOT&PF	R. William Cole, P.E.; Project Manager	rodney.cole@alaska.gov
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DOT&PF	Brittany Russell, Env. Impact Analyst	brittany.russell@alaska.gov
USKH Inc.	Marcus Geist, Environmental Analyst	mgeist@uskh.com

Meeting Summary:

The public open house meeting was held to discuss the Kiana airport improvements being considered by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. Community members were invited to record their names on sheets near the room entrance and were encouraged to take comment sheets if they wanted to provide written comments to the project manager. After approximately 15 minutes of greeting community attendees and informal gatherings viewing project posters; Bill Cole, P.E., DOT&PF, opened the meeting by introducing the project team. He continued by describing the project's purpose and need with a request for community comments detailing their needs related to this project. After some initial community comments, Marcus Geist from USKH described the NEPA process steps. He highlighted this key public input opportunity as the project is still in a preliminary design phase without having selected a single preferred alternative. He also described the initial field surveys and informal agency consultations that had occurred during the fall of 2012. Marcus concluded with an anticipated timeline of project actions mentioning future opportunities for public involvement.

After these presentations, questions were answered by the project team in a group format. Meeting attendees are identified on the attached sign-in sheets. The meeting concluded at approximately 6:45 pm when all community questions had been addressed. Some attendees remained additional 15 minutes for informal conversations with the project team members. Although paper comment sheets were distributed at the meeting to attendees, no written comments were received by the project team that evening. Community members were encouraged to submit specific comments to the project manager.

<u>Bill Cole, DOT&PF</u> introduced the project, discussing the following:

- Existing runway limits type and loads of aircraft serving the village.
- Seek to increase apron setback distance
- Drainage improvements

Marcus Geist, USKH Inc. presented on the NEPA Process:

- NEPA overview the Act is over 40 years old, yet it is still offers a way to inform decision making
- Final Result of activity will be an Environmental Assessment document
- Emphasized importance of public comments at this point as project is in design phase, input is a key component
- Described field studies conducted over past summer/fall: Wetlands (August), Cultural Resources (August), and Subsistence interviews (September)
- Discussed initial site screening using agency datasets to examine contaminated sites (ADEC) as well as fish and wildlife habitats (ADF&G and USFWS)
- Mentioned that many of the comments were specific to particular locations, commenters may choose to mark up maps so their local knowledge can be captured with greater accuracy

Comments/Questions/Answers:

<u>Bill Cole, DOT&PF</u> facilitated the question and answer session. The following comments, questions, and responses were received from the community throughout the meeting and are summarized by topic below.

Purpose and Need

- **Comment:** Kobuk River has gotten more shallow each year hindering barge traffic, although 2012 had unusually high water
- **Comment:** In 2011, a Crowley barge hit a sand bar in the lower river
- **Comment:** Kiana has had limited aerial fuel deliveries, planes only arrive partially loaded due to the runway length
- Comment: During the past year approximately 6 Hercs landed at Kiana bringing materials for NWIHA – Northwest Inupiat Housing Authority and ANTHC - Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium
- **Question:** How can the community increase the project's score?
- **Response:** DOT explained that the project has a high AIP score, but it is a contingency project which is pending funding to proceed. For each 5% of the project cost matched by the community, then it would add 1 point to the project's score. Additionally, the community can provide specific comments related to the project's purpose and need.
- **Comment:** With a 4000 foot runway, the airport could accommodate Beechcraft 1900 aircraft and be able to fly both the boys and girls basketball teams together to games.
- **Comment:** Current gravel sources are very limited; area flooded this past year, should we send photos?
- Response: Yes, send photos to document current gravel access road and site.

Design/funding

- **Question:** Would DOT consider a skewed runway alignment oriented Northwest to Southeast to achieve the 4000 foot length and desired apron setback?
- **Response**: Yes, DOT has begun a preliminary investigation of the cut/fill requirements of such an alignment
- Question: Would project use a year round road or a winter haul route to the materials site?
- Response: DOT is requesting an all-weather road in its discussions with FAA
- **Comment:** Tribe is working with DOWL HKM on the road design and should be able to share recent survey work with DOT
- Response: DOT would appreciate that information
- Question: Is extending the existing apron still part of the project
- **Response**: Yes, it is. DOT is seeking options that increase the setback distance between the runway and apron.
- Question: What is the current project cost?
- **Response**: The minimum cost is \$13 million for the 600 foot extension, apron work, and drainage improvements. This is a very preliminary cost
- **Question:** If project costs increased, would the project be pushed further into the future on the schedule?
- **Response:** Yes, it would likely slip further out on the planning horizon. Additionally, DOT mentioned that there is an \$8.8 million proposal for the materials site road from FHWA (Federal Highway Administration) that is in the 2015 STIP (State Transportation Improvement Plan). This project, if advanced would greatly aid the airport project, increasing construction efficiency and decreasing costs, however, this project's funding status is contingent on the federal budget status. We'll know more by the conclusion of the FY2013 budget at the end of September.
- **Question:** What would the \$8.8 million do for the project? Does the \$13 million include the winter haul route? Where did the \$8.8 million estimate originate?
- **Response:** The amount for the haul road is a preliminary engineering cost estimate based upon the anticipated number of bridges, culverts, and overall length of road. It is not a detailed design and would be refined in the future.

Airport Improvements/Operations

- **Comment:** There are significant drainage problems on the far eastern end of the airport, north of the runway and just west of the existing landfill road, a lake forms there in the spring, he thinks that the culvert and drainage need to be fixed
- Response: DOT will address drainage issues throughout the airport site
- Question: What about the runway lights? Specifically, would DOT manage the REILs (runway
 end identifier lights) as the FAA's current procedures (such as chartering a flight to change a
 light bulb) are inefficient?
- **Response:** Yes, FAA has detailed procedures for those lights.
- **Comment:** There is very limited space when clearing snow from the runway threshold around these lights. Please consider snow removal needs in new design.
- **Comment:** Concern that extending the existing apron to the west without an additional taxiway would route turning aircraft in front of existing hangar which would generate considerable dust



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

PUBLIC MEETING

STATE OF ALASH

SIGN IN SHEET

PROJECT NAME: Kiana Airport Runway and Safety Area Improvements (No. 63179)

DATE: March 4, 2013

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Mallott rolls out education program in news conference

BY RICHARD MAUER

Byron Mallott said Saturday that if elected governor in November he would lower the state's student loan rate and forgive education loans for students who stay in Alaska.

At an outdoor news conference near West Anchorage High School, Democrat Mallott also said he would push "forward funding" of education so local school districts could better plan their programs. He said he would promote technology and high-speed Internet in state schools.

"Education has been my highest priority as a gubernatorial candidate," Mallott said, his voice barely audible above the noisy traffic passing by the school.

Mallott's campaign also announced

Saturday it had picked up the endorsement of retired Anchorage School District super-intendent Carol Comeau.

The news conference, on a sidewalk across from West High near the Hillcrest Drive overpass, was attended by a cluster of supporters, including Mallott's wife Toni, a retired elementary school teacher, Mallott's running mate state Sen. Hollis French, Anchorage school board member Patrick Higgins and Democratic House candidate Marty McGee. Two reporters showed up.

Mallott's aides handed out written material on his education program that criticized Republican Gov. Sean Parnell for polices that "hurt kids and classrooms," but in his remarks, he spoke without notes and didn't mention Parnell's name

In his written statement, Mallott noted that state education loans were running at higher interest rates than those for cars or homes -- between 7.3 and 7.8 percent. Democratic lawmakers tried to bring down those rates in the last two years, but they



Byron Mallott said that if elected governor he would lower the state's student loan rate

couldn't move the Legislature.

In response to a question, Mallott said he would push to fully fund the state's base student allocation, the per-student alloca-tion provided to local school districts. The BSA was a major issue in the last legislative session when Republican majorities in the House and Senate produced the first raise in the allocation since 2011, but which still fell far short of catching up to inflation.

Mallott said education funding should be the top priority of state government even when faced with lean budgets. "It's just critical to build Alaska, building our leadership, creating success both in life and in work for every Alaskan," Mallott said.

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Notice of Public Scoping Meetings

Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline (ASAP)
Utility Grade Natural Gas Transportation Pipeline

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Alaska District, intends to prepare a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) to identify and analyze the potential impacts associated with the construction of the proposed ASAP utility grade natural gas transportation pipeline. The DSEIS will focus on project changes proposed after completion of the Final Environmental Impact Statement in October 2012. The revised ASAP Plan of Development is available at: http://asapgas.agdc.us/documents.html

The public scoping meetings provide an opportunity to express your views and identify issues to be addressed in the DSEIS. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Corps requests any comments you may have about potential impacts and to discuss proposed alternatives associated with the construction of the proposed ASAP utility grade natural gas transportation pipeline. Fourtheen public scoping meetings will be held from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. on the following dates and locations, with exceptions indicated in

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	Healy, Monday, August 18, 2014; Tri-Valley Community Center, Usibelli Spur Rd, Healy, AK 99743	Fairbanks, Tuesday, September 2, 2014; Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble St, Fairbanks, AK 99701
	Nenana, Tuesday, August 19, 2014; Nenana Native Village Tribal House, PO Box 369, Nenana, AK 99760	Wiseman, Wednesday, September 3, 2014; Community Center of Wiseman, Wiseman, AK 99701
	Cantwell, Wednesday, August 20, 2014; Cantwell Community Hall, Cantwell, AK 99729	Minto, Thursday, September 4, 2014; (Tentatively scheduled at Minto Lake View Lodge), Lake View Rd, Minto, AK 99758
	Talkeetna, Thursday, August 21, 2014; Talkeetna Alaska Lodge, 23601 Talkeetna Spur Rd, Talkeetna, AK 99676	Anaktuvuk Pass, Wednesday, September 10, 2014 (to be held 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.); Anaktuvuk Pass Communi- ty Center, Anaktuvuk Pass, AK 99721
	Willow, Monday, August 25, 2014; Willow Community Center, PO Box 1027, Willow, AK 99688	Barrow, Wednesday, September 17, 2014; Inupiat Heritage Center, PO Box 69, Barrow, AK 99723
	Anchorage, Tuesday, August 26, 2014 (to be held 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.); UAA Consortium Library, Room 307, Anchorage, AK 99508	Nuiqsut, Thursday, September 18, 2014; Kisik Community Center, PO Box 89148 Nuiqsut, AK 99789
	Kenai, Wednesday, August 27, 2014; Quality Inn, 10352 Kenai Spur Highway, Kenai, AK 99611	
	Seward, Thursday, August 28, 2014; KM Rae Building at UAA-Seward Campus, 125 Third Ave, Seward AK 99664	

Please check the project Web site at http://www.asapeis.com for potential updates to scoping meeting dates and locations

The Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register on August 1, 2014, and a link to it can be found on the project Web site at http://www.asapeis.com

Comments can also be submitted to the Corps via mail to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, CEPOA-RD, P.O. Box 6898, JBER, AK 99506-0898 or email at: sease-is-summents@usace.army.mil. We request that you include in your comments: (1) Your name, address, and affiliation (if any); and (2) Any background documents to nts as you think necessary.

THE DEADLINE FOR PROVIDING COMMENTS IS OCTOBER 14, 2014.



Lorre Ward retired as postmaster in Kotzebue last month. She served a total 20 vears for the United States Postal Service.

Lorre Ward retires as Kotzebue's postmaster

BY JILLIAN ROGERS

After nearly 25 years with United States Postal Service in Kotzebue, Lorre Ward has retired. It's a whole new world of gardening and sleeping in for Ward, who worked as the postmaster for the past nine years of her two-and-a-half-decade stint.

Her job as both a clerk and the postmaster was always busy, she said.

"We worked hard. I worked with a lot of hard-working people," she said last week from Kotzebue. "It takes up all your energy and all your attention while you're work-

ing."

Working in the rural locale was an allconsuming position, with residents from the region often ordering everything from food and clothes and furniture via bush orders. We won't even get to the Christmas

And with gaining popularity of online shopping, the job got busier and busier.

"Things are changing all the time," Ward said. "They're updating and modernizing and we changed to suit the needs of the

When she first started, the whole process of receiving, delivering and sending out the mail was done manually, with pen and paper, she said.

But keeping up with technology was part of the job and it's what Ward did, and did well. And people in the community knew they could count on seeing Ward there day in, and day out.

The biggest challenge, she said, was waiting for the mail to come in. Since every letter and parcel is delivered via plane, it was all weather dependent.
"Weather can affect mail coming and

going because everything comes in by air."

Ward said there no plans for a big trip just yet, but instead she is taking some time to relax, enjoy her family and her garden.

"I'm relaxing and getting a lot of personal things done," she said.



Kiana Airport Improvements Project Update **Public Meeting**

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) propose a project to improve safety and efficiency issues at the Bob Baker Memorial Airport (IAN) in Kiana, Alaska. Proposed improvements include:

- Extend the runway 600 feet for a total length of 4,000 feet
- Skew runway end 24 3.5 degrees north

- Grade and resurface the runway

 Expand the apron away from active airspace
 Improve drainage (e.g., replace culverts, reestablish the north drainage ditch)

 Develop a material site and haul route
- Designate snow storage area
 Existing navigational aids will be shifted to accommodate the runway re-alignment
 Obtain necessary right-of-way for airport improvements

DOT&PF is conducting a public meeting to present project updates. Please come and learn about the proposed project updates and provide your comments regarding potential impacts. Project team members will be available to discuss the project, answer questions, and document public comments.

Join us for a public meeting: WHEN: Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. WHERE: Kiana School, Kiana, AK

Persons wishing to submit written comments may deliver them at the meeting, or send them to the following address by October 2, 2014: Chris Johnston, P.E., 2301 Peger Road, Fairbanks, AK 99709 or e-mail your comments to chris.johnston@alaska.gov.

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Kiana Airport Improvements DOT&PF Project No. 63179

September 4, 2014 Meeting Summaries: City & Tribal Council Meeting

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Public Meeting #3

Project Team Attendees:

Organization	Name
DOT&PF	Al Beck, Project Design Chief
DOT&PF	Bruce Dianoski, Design Engineer
DOT&PF	Jeff Roach, Transportation Planner
DOT&PF	Nanette Pineault, Right of Way Agent
DOT&PF	Evan Rainey, Right of Way Agent
DOT&PF	Owen Coskey, Environmental Impact Analyst
DOT&PF	William Giltner, Maintenance Electrician
Stantec	Kacy Hillman, Environmental Analyst

On Thursday, September 4, 2014 two meetings were held to discuss updates to the Kiana Airport Improvements Project presented during previous meetings. Previous meetings were held in the community on January 10, 2013 and March 4, 2013.

The Kiana City Mayor was contacted to schedule a public meeting at a time and place convenient for all. The first meeting, held at noon at the Kiana City Office, was with the mayor, city council members, and tribal council members able to attend. The second meeting, held at 5 pm at the Kiana School, was with the general public. The public meeting was noticed in the Arctic Sounder and the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner. In addition, public meeting notices were displayed at different public locations around Kiana. Sign-in sheets for both meetings are attached to this meeting summary. The format of both meetings was informal open house to allow for a variety of two-way conversations. Both meetings had a brief introduction of the project elements, which Bruce Dianoski, DOT&PF Design Engineer, and Al Beck, DOT&PF Project Design Chief, presented. The following information was presented orally while referencing display maps:

• Extend the runway 600 feet for a total length of 4,000 feet

- Skew runway end 24 3.5 degrees north
- Grade and resurface the runway
- Expand the apron away from active airspace
- Improve drainage (e.g., replace culverts, reestablish the north drainage ditch)
- Develop a material site and haul route
- Designate snow storage area
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- Obtain necessary right-of-way for airport improvements

Bruce explained that these improvements are supported and driven by the FAA and would help bring the Kiana Airport to FAA safety standards while helping protect public safety.

Kacy Hillman, Stantec Environmental Analyst, presented the wetland delineation findings for the airport and material site areas referencing wetland display maps and encouraged questions. Kacy noted any comments about the proposed project would be helpful to have in writing and were encouraged to leave comments on the provided forms. As part of the NEPA process their comments would be incorporated into the EA.

Owen Coskey, DOT&PF Environmental Analyst, noted the agency scoping and public scoping timelines.

Al Beck solicited sharing sensitive areas and/or migration corridors to avoid and noted to mark the areas on one of the maps that can be incorporated into the design.

Bruce noted it is essential to gather public comments to incorporate into the design process and to leave written comments on the provided comment forms or share thoughts with the design team during the meeting. The meeting was then opened up to comments and questions.

The following table summarizes the primary issues raised by the participants during both meetings. The table also summarizes responses the design team offered after listening to the concerns expressed and considering how responsive the design could be to the issues raised while still meeting FAA safety requirements.

Comment Received	Response
Will the runway be skewed?	The runway would be skewed 3.5 degrees north at the 24 end.
Will the apron be expanded?	The apron would be expanded away from the runway.
Will there be two taxiways?	No, the existing taxiway would remain as-is.
Who would the ownership of the material site road go to after construction is complete?	The material site road would be relinquished back to the property owner (NANA).
There are no known fish present in the area of the material site or road. Culverts would only need to be 48 inches diameter.	Thank you for your comment. We will need to complete consultation with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to determine culvert requirements.
The creek running along the eastern edge of the material site area doesn't run in the late summer and when it does it only 4 feet deep and you can jump across it.	Thank you for your comment.
Why did the cost increase from 13 to 15 million?	The project design was refined which in turn refined the cost.
Have landowners within the project area been approached yet?	Landowners will be contacted after the environmental document and design is complete.
Why are you looking at the current alternative to extend the runway length?	Larger aircraft (1900's or DC6's) could use the new runway length. The apron expansion and runway skew would keep airspace minimums and increase the offset for potential future aircraft needs.
The airport apron is getting congested.	The apron expansion should help with this issue.
There is no regular barge service. Please try to get 4,000-foot length	The proposed project would extend the runway 600 feet for a total

runway.	4,000-foot runway.
The offset will help the airport, current airport drainage is not good.	Part of the proposed project is to improve drainage.
Most necessities for the store, etc. are flown in. Barges are only used for connexes and other large items.	Thank you for your comment.
The landowner at the end of the runway skew wants to sell. I (Mayor of Kiana) am willing to assist with speeding up the process of landowner negotiation for the project.	Thank you for your comment. Landowners will be contacted after the environmental document and design is complete.
What is the current funding for the project?	This project is contingent for 2015, and may not get funding till 2016. The project is high on the Airport Improvements Program funding list and will be funded in 2016 unless another project scoring trumps this project.
The material site road could help further traditional use for berry picking, wood cutting, or dump sites. Any more we have to go further away to gather berries.	Thank you for your comment.
The 7-mile road at Noorvik is good for subsistence use. There may be good material left from the material site to construct Pioneer Road. Can we negotiate with NANA to get a good price?	We won't be able to facilitate that negotiation and we won't know what material will be left from the material site.
Will the contractor bid on the entire package (runway, material site, and road)?	Yes, the contractor would bid on the entire project package.
Will local hire be used to cut brush, haul dirt, etc? The city dozer can be rented.	DOT encourages local hire and many contractors use local hire where available. The contractor will be responsible coordinating with the community for hires. Thank you for your comment.
I'm pleased FAA decided on a year-round road instead of an ice road as ice roads cause environmental damage. I've seen this happen on the	Thank you for your comment.

North Slope.	
The Buckland Airport was fixed solely using volunteers time and money and I was hoping that would happen here to get the project done more quickly.	Thank you for your comment. If people want to volunteer their time to help they can work with the contractor.
When the final decision is made how are the landowners going to be contacted?	Landowners will be contacted after the environmental document and design is complete. When those are complete DOT&PF ROW agents will contact landowners.
I'm concerned for the location of the taxiway kicking up rocks on parked planes on the apron.	Thank you for your comment. FAA has standard minimum distances between runways and parked planes on the apron and the Kiana Airport currently meets these standards.
I'm concerned for foot traffic walking past the apron area. Could you build a road around the apron for access to the apron on the west side?	Thank you for your comment. We will look into this and see if it might be feasible.
Is the goal to bring in bigger airplanes? I'm concerned for blasting and throwing rocks.	Thank you for your comment. Bigger planes may come in due to the increased runway length.
You could extend the apron south to the road to make the apron bigger.	This would present a safety issue being too close to residential homes.
There's a lot of dust in the summer.	Thank you for your comment. Oil was just recently used to control the dust on the runway and after construction a dust palliative would be used on the runway.
We need the runway and apron paved, with a heated apron.	Thank you for your comment. Cost, need, and maintenance considerations are factors considered for paving a runway. Also, the type of aircraft that are needed to service a community is a factor that is considered. At this time there is not an identified need to pave the Kiana runway.
Is there usable material at the existing runway/apron area for the	Yes, we believe 60% of the material needed can be used from this area.

project?	
There is a shallow spot in the middle of the runway that ruined a plane. What will the length of the new runway be?	Thank you for your comment. We are aware of the shallow spot, potentially formed from bad sub-base material along with poor drainage and will be fixed as part of the project. The new runway would be 4,000 feet long.
What will the new length allow?	Larger aircraft (1900's or DC6's) could use the new runway length.
What is the criteria for paving?	Cost, need, and maintenance considerations are factors considered for paving a runway. Also, the type of aircraft that are needed to service a community is a factor that is considered. At this time there is not an identified need to pave the Kiana runway.
Will FAA require new NAVAIDS?	The current PAPIs and REILS can be used.
What is gained by this project?	Offset distance would be gained and the ability to service larger aircraft. The same approaches would be used as are currently. Also, aircraft would be able to access the runway in worse weather conditions than currently.
Pioneer Road and gravel source would be an added benefit for the community. We could relocate the landfill and close the current landfill. Also, it would create new growth/activity-gravel is the primary building block.	Thank you for your comment. The material site and road would be relinquished back to the property owner (NANA) upon project completion. Use of the road and material site will need to be discussed with them.
The road and material site will save a lot from barging material.	The material site and road would be relinquished back to the property owner (NANA) upon project completion. Use of the road and material site will need to be discussed with them. The local material source will be a significant cost savings for the project.
We would like a new western taxiway.	This will all depend on funding and current funding does not allow construction of a new taxiway.

Will there be a stormwater plan? Erosion is a problem here.	Yes, a stormwater pollution prevention plan will be completed and implemented by the contractor.
The culvert on the east end by the graveyard is not taking care of drainage and it is coming into town. Lots of water comes off of the runway, it's a simple fix but needs to be taken care of.	The project includes drainage improvements around the runway (e.g., replace culverts, re-establish north drainage ditch).
When will the draft EA be complete?	The draft EA will be complete in the coming months and we will incorporate comments into the document.
What is the ROW acquisition timeframe?	Landowners will be contacted after the environmental document and design is complete. When that is complete DOT&PF ROW agents will contact landowners. Native allotments will depend on BIA's timeframe.
Will the material site road be able to be used in the winter during construction?	That will be up to the contractor.
So you haven't contacted the property owners?	Landowners will be contacted after the environmental document and design is complete. When that is complete DOT&PF ROW agents will contact landowners.
Have you run into problems on projects where Native allotments hold a project up?	Yes, it happens from time to time and usually depends on BIA's workload to process.

Owen Coskey's contact information was provided to all members of the public contacted and encouraged each to call or email him if they have additional issues that should be addressed in the final design.

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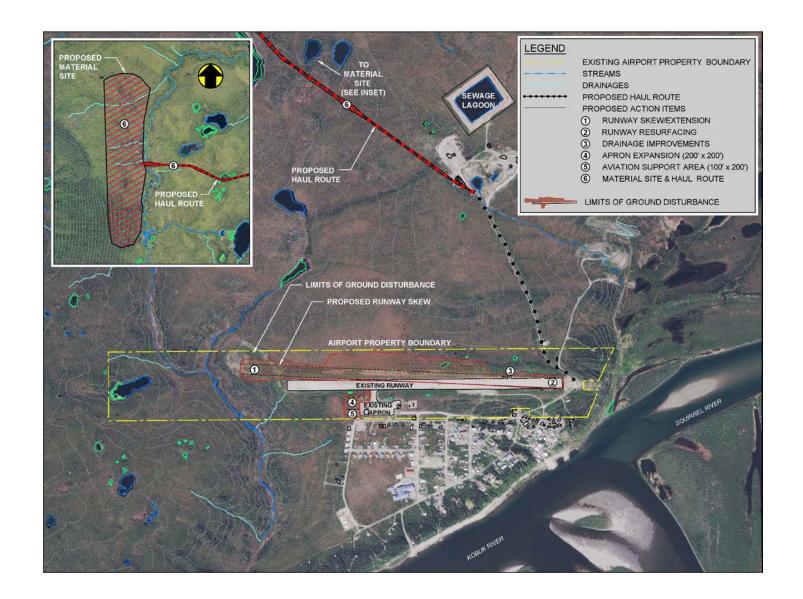
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Sullivan joins high-profile fisheries debate

Dan Sullivan achieved something I have been trying to accomplish as a fisheries writer for more than a quarter of a century: he gave long legs to media stories about Alaska's fisheries and, more importantly, it attracted unparalleled recognition of the seafood industry nation-

How did that come about for a fractious industry that bemoans a la comedian Rodney Dangerfield—"I don't get no

respect?"
When Sullivan's campaign announced that he would not attend a traditional Kodiak fisheries debate scheduled with all U.S. Senate candidates in late May, he said

it was due to a military obligation.

Then, after winning the August primary, and despite months of advance notice, Sullivan's campaign abruptly brushed off a fisheries face off against incumbent Sen. Mark Begich set for Oct. 1. Sullivan had no other commitment, his manager said, his travel schedule was just "too busy."

The fish gurry immediately hit the fan. Press releases from opposing factions started flying, newspaper, radio, TV and blog headlines screamed that Sullivan dissed Alaska's largest workforce and simply didn't give a crappie. The story even outran the 24-hour news cycle and for weeks it stayed in the news and on peo-

ple's minds. (Still is.)
Enter Sen. Lisa Murkowski. Word quickly spread on the fish vine that she advised Sullivan that a "no show" was a really bad move and to reconsider. He did, and Murkowski, who can talk fish with the best of them, schooled him for two weeks in a total immersion kind of way. Murkowski even accompanied Sullivan to Kodiak a day before the fisheries debate to

make an even bigger splash.
It paid off fairly well. Sullivan held his own against Begich, who is a passionate fisheries whiz, as well as chairman of the U.S. Senate subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and U.S. Coast

It was a first opportunity for Alaskans to hear Sullivan's ideas and opinions on fishery-related issues. As a result, he fielded the most questions from the media panelists, along with hard balls from Begich. No one could pin Sullivan down on his

position on the Pebble Mine. Claiming that he "has never come out in support of the mine," he resorted to the tiresome talking points of "not trading one resource for another" and "supporting the process." Begich has come out strongly against the proposed mine, and echoed the words of the late Ted Stevens that Pebble is "the wrong mine in the wrong place."

Begich pressed Sullivan to answer

"yes" or "no" on his support of oil and gas ploration leases set to become available in federal waters off Bristol Bay in 2017, an area dubbed "the nation's fish basket."

"I'd look at the science and see what the federal agencies are doing to balance resource opportunities in the state. When I see the science and the recommendations would make the decisions," Sullivan

responded.
"These leases have happened before and we bought them out based on the science,"

retorted Begich, who opposes the idea. When asked by Begich if he acknowledges climate change, Sullivan said, "Yes, but as for the causes, the science is still out. would not be for a one-siz- fits-all solution. We've got to get the science right before we take some big action that will further limit or hurt our fisheries."

The Kodiak fisheries debate, which is

always broadcast statewide, was also covered by Japan Broadcasting Corp., C-Span, National Public Radio, Associated Press, KTUU, KTVA, and Alaska Dispatch News.

House raucous

Following U.S. Senate candidates Begich and Sullivan to the fish debate stage were Alaska Congressman Don Young and Democratic challenger Forrest Dunbar. It was the first time the two candidates had met face to face, and Dunbar was clearly prepared to take on the 42-year House of Representatives veteran.

Young set an argumentative tone by quibbling over debate protocols, referring to 30-year-old Dunbar as "naïve" and "immature," and often glaring at and interrupting moderator John Whiddon, a decorated retired U.S.C.G. helicopter pilot who has pulled off some of the hairiest res cues on record in the Bering Sea. (He didn't

The audience gasped when Young glibly announced that he had not bothered to



prepare any questions for Dunbar as part of the debate format. But it did not take him long to get serious once he realized how well prepared, knowledgeable and articulate his opponent is on Alaska's fisheries.

Young and Dunbar agreed on many issues, such as the need to make sure fishing

futures exist for young Alaskans, and the need to reduce Chinook and halibut bycatch by trawlers.

"The Gulf is where most of the problem lies, not the Bering Sea," Young pointed out. "It can be done with excluder panels and modern technology. If they don't clean up and do it better, someone else will do it

Likewise, they saw mostly eye to eye on: the need for better seafood labeling, stopping fishing pirates on the high seas, opposing genetically modified fish and offshore fish farming, home porting more vessels in Alaska and increasing resident and corporate involvement, and that ocean "assification" (Young's term) is a threat to Alaska's fisheries.

Dunbar is strongly opposed to the Pebble Mine, whereas Young said, "It is the state's land and it has control over the resources. Let the state do its job."

No one can discount Young's knowledge and caring for Alaska's seafood industry. He helped write and pass laws in the 1970s that "Americanized" our nation's fisheries, by booting foreign fleets to beyond 200 miles from U.S. shores. He also is credited with pushing through an international ban on the use of miles of driftnets on the high seas.
But his condescension of Dunbar did

not reflect well on Alaska's lone Congressman.

"Why do you think in your young years that you can better represent Alaska," Young asked his competitor. Dunbar, who is from Eagle and Cordova and has a Yale law degree, responded that he was an intern in DC for Frank Murkowski and another legislator.

"I have more experience than you did when you went to Washington, D.C.. And I grew up in this state and represent Alaska values," Dunbar said.

"Sounds good, looks good, but it doesn't quite pass the smell test," Young retorted. You are a very ambitious young man, but

you don't know the ropes. What I have done is represent and fight for all Alaskans

When Dunbar questioned Young about past ethics violations and referred to his "lack of clout" in Congress, Young upraided him saying: "Right now you are a young man all fired up and wanting to make an impression. Attacking a Congressman for 42 years is wrong and demeans the office. You ought to be ashamed of yourself."

Fish watch

Many Alaskans are surprised to learn that salmon fishing goes on in Southeast Alaska almost year round. Trollers there are heading back out for winter king salmon on Oct. 11 in a season that can run all the way through April.

Southeast's pot shrimp season opened Oct. 1 with a region-wide harvest of about half a million pounds. Crabbers also began dropping pots that day for the fall Dungeness fishery. The total Dungie catch this year could top 6 million pounds. Dive fisheries for sea cucumber and urchins also got underway Oct. 1 in Southeast and

A little more than 1 million pounds remain for Alaska's halibut fleet out of a nearly 15 million pound catch limit. Prices at major ports remained in the high \$6 and over \$7 range for fishermen. Weekly landings have been less than 500,000 pounds over the past month.

Sablefish prices also are through the ceiling, topping \$4.25 for under three pounders and \$7.55 for 7 ups.

The Alaska pollock fishery wrapped up nearly a month early in the Bering Sea. At nearly 3 billion pounds — that's a lot of fish sticks.

Fleets are also targeting cod, flatfish, and many other types of groundfish.

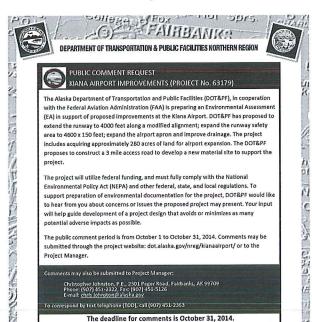
In the Central and Western Gulf, trawl,

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Gulf trawlers also are back out on the water for the final pollock fishery of the

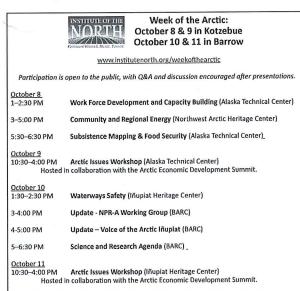
The Aleutian Islands golden king crab fleet is tapping away at its 6 million pound quota. Catches for Bristol Bay red king crab and Bering Sea snow crab should be

Laine Welch has covered the Alaska fish beat for print and radio since 1988. Visit her Web site at www.alaskafishradio.com.



The deadline for comments is October 31, 2014.

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ADAMS

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whaling," said Adams, 31, last week

Adams went out with captain George Ahmaogak Sr.'s crew last Monday, Sept. 22, on a calm morning.

The boat was around 20 miles offshore from Point Barrow when something in the water caught Adams' eye. She looked to her left and saw movement

under the water's surface. Sure enough, moments later, a whale breached and the chase was on.

The crew pursued the behemoth for about 30 minutes before they were close enough

"We followed it for a while and it came right up, right next to the boat and I threw the harpoon," Adams recalled.

The whale turned toward the boat just before the bomb attached to the well-placed harpoon went off.

You have to throw it hard enough so the trigger rod will hit the muktuk," she explained. "You try your best to kill it as fast as you can. Sometimes that doesn't happen, but we were blessed this time because all it took was one bomb and it died."

The whale died quickly, proving that the throw was well executed. The Ahmaogak crew's whale measured in at 27 feet, six inches. But before celebrating commenced, the crew tied the front fins together, attach-

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Edalee Ahmaogak serves the community last week in Barrow.

ing a float, then used thick rope to tie the tail to the boat. A second boat was in the water to assist with the trip home. After the whale was secure, a prayer was said and a call to shore was made to let the community know they were heading home successful.

Even then, Adams said, it took a while for it to sink in that she had just taken her first whale. It took the crew nearly six hours to tow the whale home.

"I think it took a while for it to set in for me because that was my first time throwing a harpoon," she said. "It's very rare, I know that. I don't know if I'm the first one but I know it's rare for females to even get in the

Adams has been whaling for six or seven years during the fall hunt, so she's knows how important the entire crew is for a successful hunt.

"You can't get close enough to a whale without a good driver," she said. "I give a lot of credit to the driver... but we talked and we both said we couldn't have done it without the good Lord."

By the time the whale was brought to town and the meat, muktuk and organs were harvested, it was getting dark. A large portion of the whale goes to the captain who hands it out at Thanksgiving and Christmas, while the rest is divided up and given out to the crew and the rest of the community. Locals line up outside the captain's house the day after to collected a portion of the

bounty.
As of Monday, a total of four whales had been landed in Barrow; three on Sept. 22

and one on the evening of Sept. 24. Eight strikes will open up next week and the fall whale hunt will continue until the allotted number of strikes are used up.
"It's a good time to see the community

come together, that's what we do during whaling," Adams said. As for her favorite part of the whale, she

likes it all, she said. And while the whaling season is over for her for now, she's got plenty of hunts ahead.

"Whaling is year round, you get ready for it all year long," she said. "What I do is go hunting all summer—seal hunting, walrus hunting, caribou hunting...
"Thappen to have no brothers, so I had to

find some way to help the family out."



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General Public Notice North Slope Borough Absentee Voting for the October 7, 2014 Regular Election

Any qualified voter may vote by absentee ballot in the NSB Regular Election if they expect to be away from their precinct on the day of the election on October 7, 2014 or if they will not be able to vote in their precinct the day of the election because of health reasons.

Absentee ballot applications may be filed in person, by mail or by fax to the North Slope Borough Clerk's Office. The mailing address is PO Box 69, Barrow, AK 99723 and the fax number is (907) 852-0229. Once an application is received, filed and the address verified by the election official, the election official will either mail or personally deliver an absentee ballot to the address provided in the application.

NSB Code Section 1.28.230 Application for Absentee Voting: When Filed

Not more than 15 calendar days before an election (September 22, 2014) and, to allow sufficient time for delivery of the requested absentee ballot, not less than five (6) business days (September 30, 2014) before the election for which the absentee ballot is sought.

Any voter entitled to cast an absentee ballot may by mail or by fax; file a written application with the Borough election official between September 22, 2014 and the last day to accept a written application for an absentee ballot is September 30, 2014. Absentee ballots which are filed by mail must be postmarked on the Borough Election Day October 7, 2014, and must be received by the Borough Election Official no later than October 13,

On September 22, 2014, absentee ballots will be available in all eight (8) precincts across the North Slope Borough. Voters can contact the following individuals to obtain a North Slope Borough absentee ballot:

Anaktuvuk Pass	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 661-3928
Atqasuk	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 633-6815
Barrow	NSB Clerks Office Administration (907) 852-0360	n Building
Browerville	NSB Clerks Office Administration (907) 852-0360	n Building
Deadhorse	NSB Clerks Office Administration (907) 852-0360	n Building
Kaktovik	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 640-6128
Nuiqsut	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 480-6028
Point Hope	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 368-2630
Point Lay	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 833-2438
Wainwright	Deputy Assistant to the Mayor	(907) 763-209

September 18, 25, October 2, 2014 Date: Jeannie Brower, CMC, Borough Clerk



PUBLIC COMMENT REQUEST KIANA AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS (PROJECT No. 63179)

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To correspond by text telephone (TDD), call (907) 451-2363

The deadline for comments is October 31, 2014.

Notice: Kiana Airport Safety Improvements project

Kiana Airport Safety Improvements DOT&PF Project Number: 63179

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF), in cooperation with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), proposes to improve safety and efficiency of the Bob Baker Memorial Airport (Kiana Airport) in Kiana, Alaska. Existing facilities at the Kiana Airport include a 3,400-foot runway with a deteriorating surface, a deficient 100-ft. by 500-ft. apron, a snow removal equipment building, a private general aviation hangar and ageing lighting systems.

The purpose of this project is to improve safety and efficiency of the Kiana Airport by bringing the airport to FAA standards. This project is needed because of Kiana's remote location: Goods and services can only be delivered to the community by barge or aircraft, with barge access being unavailable or severely restricted much of the year. Lengthening the runway would allow for larger aircraft to access Kiana, increasing cost efficient transportation of passengers and cargo.

The proposed safety and efficiency improvements include: Runway skew and extension; Runway, Taxiway, and Apron Resurfacing; Apron Expansion; Drainage Improvements; Material Site and Haul Route Development; Navigational Aids and Lighting; Right-of-Way Acquisition; and Dust Control.

This project has been developed in accordance with the following special purpose regulations including Sections: 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act; 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 7 of the Endangered Species Act; and Executive Orders 11988 (Floodplain Protection); 11990 (Wetlands Protection); 12898 (Environmental Justice); 11593 (Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment); and 13112 (Invasive Species).

Questions or comments regarding the project can be sent to:
Richard Stumpf, P.E., Engineering Manager
Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities
2301 Peger Road, Fairbanks, AK 99709
Telephone Number: (907) 451-2285, Fax Number: (907) 451-5126, or by email at rj.stumpf@alaska.gov

Persons with a hearing impairment can contact the Department at our Telephone Device for the Deaf; number (907) 451-2363. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment -including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Please submit your comments by May 31, 2015.

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Hello,

Attached is a flyer for the upcoming meeting next week. We would greatly appreciate it if you could post this around town for us.

Thank you!

Bruce Dianoski, P.E. AK DOT&PF NR Aviation Design (907) 451-2227

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

Public Meeting Notice

Kiana Airport Improvements Project



AKSAS # 63179

Date: May 15, 2015

Location: Kiana School

Time: 5:00 PM

PROPOSED MATERIAL SITE

AK DOT/PF is presenting the Draft Environmental Assessment Document for Public Review and Comment

Contact: RJ Stumpf,
Engineering Manager
Engineering Design Services
2301 Peger Road
Fairbanks, AK 99701
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Appendix 1 Public Involvement Records

KIANA AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT / AKSAS 63179



Kiana Airport Safety Improvements

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Event: Public Meeting
Date: Friday, May 15, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Kiana School, Kiana, Alaska

The deadline for comments is Sunday, May 31, 2015.

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DOT&PF complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids, services, and/or special modifications to participate in this public meeting should contact the RJ Stumpf no later than 10:00 am March 8th to make any necessary arrangements.

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De Bord, Daniel

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Cc: leslie.grey@faa.com; Dianoski, Bruce T (DOT); Coskey, Owen A (DOT); Stumpf, RJ (DOT);

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Good morning all

First I want to thank you all for all your hard work to better our runway in Kiana. My Name is Brad M Reich I worked the Kiana runway for 13 years and we

Have always had issues with drainage and soft spots that should be a real concern especially a few years ago one of our local pilots losing a nose gear. This

Soft spot is been there ever since I have been there it right before the taxi way on the runway about 400 ft, but even the safety areas in the spring just don't have enough good material its always soft.

I am hoping we can get this improvement sooner than later because

- 1. Safety Having better material so runway isn't soft and have chances of an Accident
- 2. Having a long enough runway to land in bad weather
- 3. To have an Apron big enough to house all the airlines that go to Kiana in bad weather days
- 4. Being able to have larger Airlines come to Kiana to help with Projects in Kiana like Housing, Public services & safe travel for Passengers.

Again thank you for looking out for the better more safe ways to be able to fly into Kiana, Alaska Have a great day all.

From: De Bord, Daniel [mailto:daniel.debord@stantec.com]

Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 4:59 PM

To: william.ashton@alaska.gov; jewel_bennett@fws.gov; curtis.jennifer@epa.gov; jim.dau@alaska.gov; matthew.eagleton@noaa.gov; jeanne.hanson@noaa.gov; james.magdanz@alaska.gov; jim.menard@alaska.gov; Brad Reich; louise_smith@fws.gov; ted_swem@fws.gov; shannon_torrence@fws.gov; oha.revcomp@alaska.gov; judy.bittner@alaska.gov; michelle.hale@alaska.gov; james.rypkema@alaska.gov; steve.machida@alaska.gov; jack.winters@alaska.gov; megan.marie@alaska.gov; jeanne.proulx@alaska.gov; ben.ellis@alaska.gov;

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Dear Interested Stakeholder.

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Sincerely,

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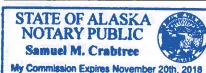
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this $\frac{29}{}$ day

of May , 20 15

Notary Public in and for the State Alaska.

My commission expires November 20, 2018



PROJECT NAME: Kiana Airport Runway and Safety Area Improvements (No. 63179)

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