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Resolution 25-09

WHEREAS; the community of Kobuk is one of the few communities located close to the proposed Ambler Road and potential mines and should have one of the biggest voices of input on whether it happens.

WHEREAS; the community of Kobuk suffer from high unemployment, expensive shipping and costs of groceries, fuel, and other supplies, lacks of adequate housing for all its residents, and does not have a road connection for medivacs in event of an emergency and bad weather for flying.

WHEREAS; Kobuk Traditional Council is a federally recognized Tribe.

WHEREAS; Kobuk Traditional Council is governed by a Tribal Council and is the sole entity authorized to speak on behalf of the Tribe.

WHEREAS; Kobuk Traditional Council wants the road to connect to KObuk.

LIMITED ACCESS ONLY ROAD- THE "TRIBAL" ALTERNATIVE

1. The Tribe supports a road but only if the road is limited to access by the mining companies, with controlled use of the local communities and residents for shipping goods, supplies, and fuel, as well as emergency medivacs;
2. The Tribe understands AIDEA has only asked for a road that has limited access as described above, and urges the landowners to use legal authority and impose limited access restrictions'
3. The Tribe supports AIDEA has delegated authority to its subsistence committee who has adopted subsistence mitigation measures from impacts of a road that are similar to the mitigation measures successfully used at the Red Dog Road to protect caribou and other species for over 40 years;
4. The Tribe supports its members and the community having training opportunities, hiring preferences, small business opportunities, in

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construction of the road and work at the mines or for companies supporting the mines;

5. The Tribe believes young Alaskan Native Tribal members and future generations need to have opportunities to earn a good living and support their families as well as afford to stay in the community and practice subsistence;
6. We now have to face the question of how do we continue our subsistence lifestyle without jobs, it is now so expensive as we need gas and equipment to do it with and what happens to our communities and Tribal members if a road is not built and no jobs or opportunity exists for our children and future generations.

THEREFORE, the Tribe of Kobuk supports the Ambler Access Project and Resource Development that is done with Subsistence priorities always coming first

This resolution was passed at a regular meeting held in Native Village of Kobuk on March 11, 2025, with a quorum of 7 council members present. There were 5 yays 2 nays.

President Henry Henry Sr Date: 03/17/25