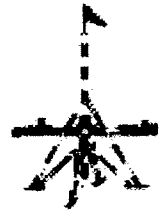




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Sen. Kookesh
State Capitol Room 11
Juneau AK, 99801

7-Feb-11

Re: Request for Statutory Language Change

Dear Senator,

The City of Nenana requests that legislation be submitted for approval to add a section to AS 46.07.080 as identified below.

Current Language

AS 46.07.080 Definitions

In this chapter

- 1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of environmental conservation.
- 2) "village" means an unincorporated community that has between 25 and 600 people residing within a two-mile radius, a second class city, or a first class city with not more than 600 residents.

We request that the second section be revised as follows

- 2) "village" means an unincorporated community that has between 25 and 600 people residing within a two-mile radius, a second class city, or a first class or home rule city with not more than 600 residents.

The City makes this request in order for the community to be specifically eligible for Village Safe Water capital improvement programs.

Nenana has previously applied and been approved for a grant from VSW for an extensive renovation of our failing water and sewer system. At some point after the grant was awarded, it was brought to our attention that it was a mistake as Nenana, being a Home Rule City, was not eligible under the current language. We therefore request that this language change be submitted so as to restore our grant eligibility.

Please contact me with any questions you or your office may have. I am happy to share the history and background information with you and your colleges.

Sincerely,

Jason P. Mayrand

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Mayrand', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mayor/ Administrator

City of Nenana

Cc; Rep. Dick, Sen. Coghill