

April 8th, 2010

The Honorable Gary Stevens
President, Alaska Senate
State Capitol Room 516
Juneau AK, 99801

The Honorable Mike Chenault
Speaker, Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol Room 208
Juneau, AK 99801

Cc: House Resources Committee; Senate Finance Committee

Senator Stevens and Representative Chenault:

The associations listed below represent companies that employ tens of thousands of Alaskans in high-paying jobs depending on resource development.

Each of our organizations is concerned about pending legislation that would drastically change the Alaska Coastal Management Plan (ACMP), jeopardizing long-term investment in resource development projects and costing Alaskans jobs and business opportunities. Senate Bill 4 and House Bill 74 would most certainly delay indefinitely, if not completely derail, responsible resource development across our state.

With each of our industries coping with rising unemployment in the current economy, we join in urging you not to pass any legislation that alters the current ACMP and further aggravates Alaska's serious economic challenges. We endorse the creation of a task force of affected stakeholders to evaluate concerns which have been raised about the current ACMP. The task force could make recommendations to the next legislature on how to address those concerns without giving up state sovereignty and without harming responsible resource development.

Respectfully,



Associated General Contractors



Alaska Trucking Association



Alaska Miners Association



The Alliance



Alaska Oil and Gas Association



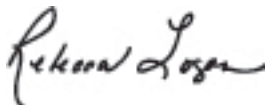
Resource Development Council



Alaska State Chamber



Council of Alaska Producers



Associated Builders and Contractors