

Kenaitze Indian Tribe
P.O. Box 988, Kenai, Alaska 99611-0988
Resolution No. 2016 - 38

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE SELECTION OF G-SOUTH AS THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE
STERLING HIGHWAY MP 45-60 PROJECT AND SUPPORTING THE JUNEAU CREEK ALTERNATIVE**

Whereas, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe is a federally recognized tribe reorganized under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended for Alaska in 1936, and in accordance with the Tribal Constitution the territory of the Kenaitze Indian Tribe shall extend to all lands and waters of the central and upper Kenai Peninsula; and,

Whereas, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe has jurisdiction to the fullest extent possible over all lands and people within its territory; and,

Whereas, the Kenaitze Indian Tribe is responsible for the social, cultural, political, and economic progress of its members and people within its territory; and,

Whereas, the social, cultural, and economic wellbeing of the Kenaitze Indian Tribe and those it serves is directly tied to the long term health of the Kenai River and the life it supports; and

Whereas, Since time immemorial the Kenaitze Indian Tribe through unwritten law, social custom, and cultural traditions and practices, places the protection of the Kenai River and the life it supports; as a tribal responsibility of the highest order; and,

Whereas, on December 11, 2015 DOT&PF and FHWA announced the identification of the G-South Alternative as the preferred alternation for the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 Project; and,

Whereas, the G-South Alternative does not adequately protect the Kenai River; and,

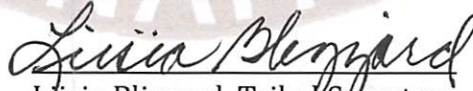
Whereas, the Juneau Creek Alternative bypasses all crossing of the Kenai River; and,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Kenaitze Indian Tribe opposes the selection of the G South alternative as the preferred alternative for the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 Project; and supports the selection of the Juneau Creek Alternative as the preferred alternative for the Sterling Highway MP 45-60 Project.

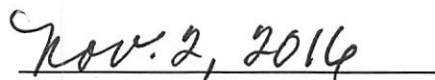
Certification



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Kenaitze Indian Tribe



Lusia Blizzard, Tribal Secretary
Kenaitze Indian Tribe



Date