

COMMITTEE REPORT

4/12/76

HOUSE

Mr. Speaker:

Date May 10 1976

The Committee on FINANCE has had HB 870

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

- () recommends it DO PASS
- () recommends it DO NOT PASS
- () recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)
- (X) recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR HD 870 AND THAT
CS FOR HD 870 DO PASS

() "and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE _____
COMMITTEE

() reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

() "other"

Members signing the Majority report:

<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

_____ recommends:

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[Signature] Chairman

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HB 870

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TO: Honorable Nels Anderson
Chairman, House Resources Committee
Alaska State Legislature

DATE: April 29, 1976

FILE NO: 2040.19/2040.20-2

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Jim Edenso
Deputy Commissioner

SUBJECT: Bristol Bay Regional Development
Council

Please find attached a copy of a letter received from Mr. Freeman A. Roberts of the Bristol Bay Native Association concerning the BBRDC.

The letter refers to the activities conducted by the Bristol Bay Native Association/Bristol Bay Regional Development Corporation in the Bristol Bay area. As you can see, these activities are beginning to show considerable improvement.

Attachment

BRISTOL BAY NATIVE ASSOCIATION

P. O. BOX 179
DILLINGHAM, ALASKA 99576
PHONE (907) 842-3322

April 26, 1976

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STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Jim Edenso
Deputy Commissioner
Dept. of Commerce & Economic Development
Pouch D
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Mr. Edenso:

I would like to give you a brief run-down on what we, up here in Dillingham, have accomplished through the auspices of the Bristol Bay Regional Development Council.

I have been so far successful in the rehabilitation of the Cold Storage Plant here in Dillingham. I understand a over run grant (100%) in the amount of \$650,000.00 is soon to be awarded to the City of Dillingham. A phone conversation with Mr. Clyde Courtnage assured me that the funds should be forthcoming anytime. As you know this project was given the top priority by the Council. We expect the Plant to be freezing 75,000 pounds of fish daily in the 1977 fishing season.

Andy Golia, EDA Planner, and I have been doing a lot of travelling to compile a complete list of village priorities. At present we are persuing the following:

Office Buildings for the villages of Togiak, Manokotak, Alcknagik, New Stuyahok, and Perryville. There should be an architect or engineer to visit these villages and find out the actual physical location.

Small Boat Harbors for Perryville and Chignik. I am presently gathering information on the above project. I understand funds have been earmarked for a Boat Basin in Perryville in the Boat Harbor Bond Bill, however, I will try and see what can be done about Chignik.

Bulk Fuel Storage for Togiak and Iliamna. Mr. Craig Lindh and Andy Golia were over to Togiak and talked with village leaders there. I talked with the Standard Oil people in Anchorage and received their assurances of assistance for any engineering that will be required. Also I travelled to Iliamna with Mr. Lindh and discussed their Bulk Fuel needs.

Apparently there are, at present, 29 twenty five thousand gallon tanks available at Cold Bay. Research is being done by Mr. Lindh on this.

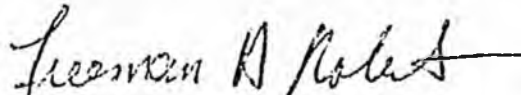
We went to Chignik and we discovered a serious Beaver problem there. Apparently Beavers are multiplying rapidly and blocking Salmon spawning streams. We brought this to the attention of the Department of Fish & Game. They have assured me that this will be looked into.

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This is about what has been happening here. As you know the BBRDC is no longer a living entity. Perhaps you would be so kind as to pass this report along to whoever it may concern in extending the life of the Council. Without Council support very little would have been accomplished.

Very truly yours,

BRISTOL BAY NATIVE ASSOCIATION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Freeman A. Roberts".

Freeman A. Roberts
Economic Planner

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MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TO: Honorable Nels Anderson, Chairman
House Resources Committee

DATE: March 9, 1976

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Jim Edenso, Deputy Commissioner
Department of Commerce & Economic
Development

SUBJECT: Bristol Bay Regional Development
Council

The Bristol Bay Native Association, which has served as the primary contractor to the Council since its inception eighteen months ago, is prepared to resume developmental activities to implement the recommendations of Bristol Bay, Its Potential and Development, and Bristol Bay, the Fisheries and the People, the two planning reports issued by the Council.

BBNA under contract will follow the following work program:

- 1) Strongly urge that federal legislation establishing future land use, carry a provision that specifically guarantees traditional users the right to traditional usage on federally withdrawn lands,
- 2) Urge the Bureau of Indian Affairs to establish a Regional Office in Dillingham,
- 3) Request Congress to authorize and appropriate funds under PL 93-638, the Indian Self-Determination and Indian Educational Assistance Act, to allow small villages to hire a village leader and establish a village administrative office,
- 4) Encourage the U.S. Forest Service to make an inventory of timber resources of Bristol Bay and determine the maximum sustainable yield,
- 5) Strongly urge the Forest Service Laboratory in Juneau to evaluate the grazing potential of forest lands in the Bristol Bay region when funds are available,
- 6) Urge the Soil Conservation Service to make an Environmental Impact Statement of the effect of reindeer herding in Bristol Bay including an estimate of the holding capacity,
- 7) Seek funds from EDA to conduct a manpower assessment and training program to support a reindeer industry,
- 8) Strongly urge that specific legislation be enacted guaranteeing traditional usage of the land for designated state restricted lands, for example, the proposed Wood-Tikchik State Park,
- 9) Develop bi-lingual and bi-cultural curriculums in educational facilities of the region which include industrial and commercial training,

- 10) Urge the Department of Labor to develop a training program for vocational skills needed in construction and in possible oil and gas development,
- 11) Develop a projected construction schedule and prepare funding applications for upgrading airports in Bristol Bay villages; Priority will be given to those villages needing airfield improvements in order to develop their business potential,
- 12) Methodically contact and urge the Department of Fish and Game to develop and initiate projects to replenish the stock of salmon,
- 13) Ask the Department of Fish and Game to evaluate the impact of reindeer herding on the game resources of Bristol Bay,
- 14) Complete application forms to enable the Department of Public Works to build a boat harbor at Perryville and Chignik so that local fishermen can fish on a year-round basis,
- 15) Lay preliminary ground work to establish a boat harbor also at Naknek and South Maknek.
- 16) Work with the University of Alaska to develop training programs which are designed to develop entrepreneurial and management talent among Bristol Bay residents. This training must be conducted in Bristol Bay,
- 17) Urge the University to consider establishing an Agricultural Experiment Station in the Bristol Bay region,
- 18) Encourage and demand that the Tourism Management Program of the University of Alaska be utilized in the Bristol Bay region,
- 19) Contract petroleum firms and urge them to continue to train Bristol Bay residents to operate oil-related equipment,
- 20) Continue to work closely with village corporations and the Bristol Bay Native Association to alert them to possible profitable opportunities arising from Bristol Bay Native Corporation activities in the minerals and energy area,
- 21) Consider working with Bristol Bay fishermen and processors to develop a promotional campaign to promote Alaska seafood,
- 22) Aid the economic development planner on the Bristol Bay Native Association staff in gathering complete information on all funding sources,
- 23) Develop additional strategies to stimulate local initiative, which entails a follow-up on the village priorities listed in Bristol Bay, the Fishery and the People.

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- 24) Identify location, capacity and operating condition of sawmills in the Bristol Bay region,
- 25) Assist the villages in feasibility studies of local lumber mills or log mills,
- 26) Evaluate and consider conducting a manpower training assessment of the Bristol Bay region to determine the productive capacity for arts and crafts,
- 27) Examine the advantages of developing a marketing system for arts and crafts in cooperation with existing arts and crafts marketers,
- 28) Promote the private establishment of retail outlets for arts and crafts in cooperation with lodges and other tourist-related facilities,
- 29) Request that Alaska Natives Arts and Crafts (ANAC) present a training program for village craftsmen,
- 30) Encourage the study and possible development of a specialty products industry for salmon,
- 31) Encourage further study of the development of a possible ground-fishery,
- 32) File application for office-municipal facilities in five Bay villages.
- 33) Follow through with the Economic Development Administration on the the force account contract to modify the existing cold storage facility at Dillingham.

This will be more than enough to keep one person busy full-time through FY-1977.

It will insure that the two reports, with their comprehensive recommendations, completed under the original State appropriation do not "just gather dust," but are implemented by the people residing in the region.

Three applicants have indicated interest in pursuing the above work program. Any indications of continuation of the Council to June 1977 would greatly aid in attracting the best qualified development specialist from Bristol Bay. This Department will work closely with the BBNA representation to insure the efforts toward the above 33 point work program are productive.

COMMITTEE REPORT

5/18/76

SENATE

5/26/76

Date

Mr. President:

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committee
- reports it back without recommendation
- AND attaches a report of its intent
- (other) Individual recommendations

MEMBERS SIGNING THE MAJORITY REPORT:

<u>Bill Kay</u>	<u>DO PASS</u>	<u>R. Poland - Do Pass</u>
<u>John R. Smith</u>	<u>✓</u>	
<u>_____</u>	<u>✓</u>	
<u>_____</u>	<u>✓</u>	

MEMBERS NOT CONCURRING IN THE MAJORITY REPORT:

Genie Chance recommends: none

_____ recommends: _____

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Bill Kay
Chairman

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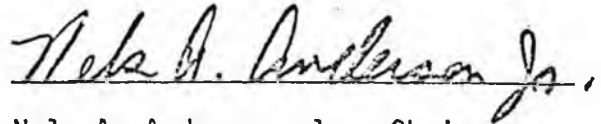
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