

WHEREAS, the currents that flow through the town at such periods damage property, pollute drinking water sources, and otherwise cause untold hardship upon the people of the community; and,

WHEREAS, Federal Government installations such as the Civil Aeronautics Administration's airfield located 1½ miles south of Nenana, and the Alaska Railroad at Nenana would be protected against future erosion, if timely steps are taken to save the town; and,

WHEREAS, the desired flood control could be effectuated through building of a short canal which would cut off the bend above mentioned and enable the river to approach the town and flow past on a straight line; and,

WHEREAS, such project would also restore the river at Nenana to continuous use for marine ways and dock installations necessary to the operation of boats in supplying upper and lower Yukon settlements with cargo brought to Nenana by the Alaska Railroad;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist respectfully urges that immediate plans be made to effectuate flood control for the protection of Nenana and vicinity by means of a canal cutting off the bend of the Tanana River directly upstream from the townsite of Nenana, with the construction stage of the project to follow as soon as possible.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor February 19, 1949.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 7

TO THE HONORABLE CHARLES F. BRANNAN, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE; THE HONORABLE PHILIP B. FLEMING, ADMINISTRATOR, FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY; THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE IN CONGRESS FROM ALASKA; THE HONORABLE H. A. STODDART, DIVISION

ENGINEER, PUBLIC ROADS ADMINISTRATION; AND THE HONORABLE B. FRANK HEINTZLEMAN, REGIONAL FORESTER, UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE:

Your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Nineteenth Regular Session assembled, respectfully submits:

WHEREAS, it has been announced that as soon as the present highway connection around Turnagain Arm is completed, the Kenai Peninsula portion of the Alaska Railroad is to be abandoned; and,

WHEREAS, work on the highway link indicates such completion will be accomplished during 1950; and,

WHEREAS, the condition of the road through the National Forest area north of Seward to connect with the new link is so poor as to afford Seward no reliable connection by road with the rest of the Territory; and,

WHEREAS, the announced plans for abandonment of the railroad will leave Seward entirely dependent upon this highway through the National Forest;

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that sufficient funds be allocated for forest highway construction in Alaska to permit relocation, widening and improvement of the highway through the Chugach National Forest north of Seward to Turnagain Arm before the end of the 1950 construction season.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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