

Roads and Highways Advisory Board Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

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Roads and Highways Advisory Board Resolution

A Resolution Supporting Alaska DOT&PF Use of Federal Aviation Administration Equipment Expansion

Whereas: many rural Alaska communities are underserved, disconnected from the contiguous highway system, and suffer from a high cost of living;

Whereas: the State of Alaska is investing in rural community transportation infrastructure in new ways, such as ice roads, resiliency programs, and other community road programs associated with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act;

Whereas: the State of Alaska's airports are a critical lifeline to rural Alaskan communities throughout the State, and has invested in snow removal equipment and buildings to store that equipment in as part of the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program;

Whereas: there is a recognized benefit to the State of Alaska subdivisions, and Alaska Tribes, in utilizing this equipment for purposes beyond an airport's boundaries, to support multi-modal transportation infrastructure;

Therefore, be it resolved: that the Alaska Roads and Highways Advisory Board encourages the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to find ways to utilize Airport equipment in rural communities to support multimodal activities, while ensuring airport maintenance activities are prioritized;

Be it further resolved: that the Alaska Roads and Highways Advisory Board supports required changes and authorizations to the Federal Aviation Administration / Airport Improvement Program requirements that restrict the use of airport equipment off airport, to benefit Alaska's overall transportation system.

Signed:

Dan Hall, Roads and Highways Advisory Board Chair

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