



Kenai Peninsula Borough Office of the Borough Mayor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne Ogle, Assembly President
Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor 

FROM: James Baisden, Chief, Emergency Services 

DATE: August 23, 2018

RE: Resolution 2018-033, Approving a Mutual Aid Agreement between the Municipality of Anchorage and the Kenai Peninsula Borough (Mayor)

The purpose of this resolution is to formalize a mutual aid agreement between the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) and the Kenai Peninsula Borough (borough) to provide for coordination of emergency response assets between the governments in the event of a large-scale emergency or disaster striking one or more of the two regions.

This mutual aid agreement with the MOA is a vehicle that will allow the MOA and the borough to designate respective resources as cross-jurisdictional assets, facilitate deployment of emergency equipment and personnel, ensure the applicability of local liability and workers compensation provisions, and to simplify the emergency response process. With approval of this resolution, the borough can then work with the MOA and the Girdwood Fire Department on a contract to help support emergency response within the Eastern Peninsula Highway Emergency Service Area (EPHESA) highway corridor.

The administration would then negotiate the protocols and reimbursement schedules that would be used in the actual implementation of this agreement by either of the two signatory municipalities which has been the past practice with similar agreements previously in effect between the borough and other state and local entities.

The ultimate goal is to mitigate disasters more efficiently and reduce the loss of life and property and the economic impact that such disasters would have borough-wide.

Your consideration of this resolution is appreciated.