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Subject:	Rocky River Road

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Please support resolution R-2015-047 to open the Rocky River Road from Kachemak Bay to the Gulf of Alaska. I have lived in the Homer area for 12 years and used to hike and bike up the road, now it is impassible. I have never been able to get to the Gulf of Alaska on this historic route. It would be a great, local training exercise for the ANG Engineering Battalion

Kevin Walker Kachemak City Subject: Attachments: FW: Rocky River Road Repair Smaller Aerial Map of Seldovia to Gulf of Alaska 2014.jpg; Rocky River VISION STATEMENT PDF.pdf

From: Bagley, Dale Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 9:46 AM To: Blankenship, Johni <<u>JBlankenship@kpb.us</u>> Subject: FW: Rocky River Road Repair

Hi Johni

Could we have this email and attachments give to the Assemblymembers. Thanks

Dale

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I am appealing to you as an assembly member to support the repair and placing the Rocky River Road corridor back into service with a resolution from the assembly to the Governor. We need to get folks talking about the possibilities of re-establishing this transportation corridor to attract more visitors to the Lower Kenai Peninsula. It would be great if we could have access again to Rocky River and Picnic Harbor via the old State of Alaska logging road along with access to Red Mt. The Governor could engage the Army National Guard Engineering group to reestablish this road as a demonstration their capabilities? It would take minimal amount of public money and be done in no time.

Rocky River Road Repair

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MISSION STATEMENT:

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OUR REASONING:

This vision and mission will stimulate the social wellbeing of those of us who live in this remote region of Alaska, and provide all walks of life easier and more affordable access to State and Federal Park wilderness areas.

To date only an elite minority has been able to visit the gulf-side of the Kachemak Bay State Wilderness Park and the Kenai Fjord National Park. Easy access is cost-prohibitive for the common person. Opening the Rocky River Road once again to the gulf will provide direct access to these areas.

EXAMPLES OF ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND POSSIBLITIES:

1) Direct road access to remote commercial fishing grounds.

2) Stimulation of commercial fishing support businesses:

a) canneries and value-added plant stimulation b) additional deck-hand opportunities for locals c) boat launch business

d) product trucking

e) new ground-fish marketing

3) Recreational guide opportunities:

- a) hiking and kayaking within the parks
- b) biking or transporting tourists to the parks
- c) commercial boat touring through new access
- d) access to new charter-boat fishing grounds

4) Any number of other countless ideas for new businesses as a result of this access, as well as stimulation to existing businesses and livelihoods.

The realization of this vision and mission will lead to a healthier more robust and vibrant lifestyle for the remote communities of our Lower Cook Inlet region here on the tip of the Kenai Peninsula.

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