

RESOLUTION 09-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE ALASKA COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR FUNDING A COMMUNITY-WIDE WORKSHOP FOCUSING ON OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT AND FOR BASELINE STUDIES TO DEVELOP MITIGATION STRATEGIES FOR POTENTIAL IMPACTS FROM OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough provides assistance to six communities in the district consisting of Akutan, Cold Bay, False Pass, King Cove, Nelson Lagoon, and Sand Point; and,

WHEREAS, the Minerals Management Service has proposed a Federal Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sale in the North Aleutian Basin in 2011 (Lease Sale 214). The lease sale area is located in the Bering Sea, offshore of the Aleutians East Borough (AEB) communities; and,

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough has taken an active role in the Lease Sale 214 Planning Process and is assisting the Minerals Management Service in drafting the Environmental Impact Statement as a cooperating agency; and,

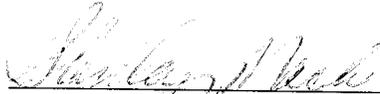
WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough seeks to prepare affected AEB Communities for Lease Sale 214 and obtain their input to ensure community needs, concerns and interests are addressed by facilitating a Community Environmental Education and Outreach Workshop; and,

WHEREAS, the Aleutians East Borough seeks to perform baseline studies to develop mitigation strategies for potential environmental impacts to fish and wildlife habitats and health from oil and gas development; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Aleutians East Borough Assembly to support the following grant application proposals submitted to the Alaska Coastal Impact Assistance Program for funding:

- Community Environmental Education and Outreach Workshop
- Baseline Health and Socioeconomic Assessment
- Baseline Water Quality Assessment
- Assessment of Potential Impacts of a Proposed Liquid Petroleum Gas Production Facility to be Located in Balboa Bay
- Investigation of the Impacts of Oil and Gas Seismic Exploration on Fish and Shellfish to Determine the Need For Additional Research into Effects to Species of Concern

DATED THIS 24th DAY OF April 2009.



Stanley Mack, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tina Anderson, Clerk