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Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

Subject: Support for State of Alaska DOT&PF Project 33241 – Cape Blossom Road [Parent and Final Construction]

Dear Commissioner Anderson,

On behalf of the Native Village of Kotzebue, we are writing to express our strong support for the State of Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) Project 33241 – Cape Blossom Road [Parent and Final Construction]. This project is a crucial infrastructure improvement that will enhance transportation access, economic development, and community sustainability in our region.

The completion of Cape Blossom Road will provide a reliable transportation corridor between Kotzebue and the Cape Blossom deep-water port site, significantly improving regional connectivity. This project is essential for addressing the high cost of goods and services in our community by enabling more efficient freight transportation, reducing reliance on costly air and barge shipments, and facilitating economic growth opportunities.

Furthermore, the road will improve access for subsistence activities, strengthening food security and cultural traditions for the people of Kotzebue. It will also provide critical infrastructure to support emergency response services, ensuring a safer and more resilient future for our residents.

We appreciate the efforts of the State of Alaska DOT&PF in advancing this project and urge its continued prioritization and funding. The Native Village of Kotzebue fully supports the Cape Blossom Road project and looks forward to its successful completion.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to reach out if you require any further information or support regarding this important initiative.

Sincerely,


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The Qikiqtagruṅmiut, forever sovereign, will live our Iñupiaq way of life for all generations.