

ASSOCIATION OF VILLAGE COUNCIL PRESIDENTS D-2 STEERING COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION # 80-6-1

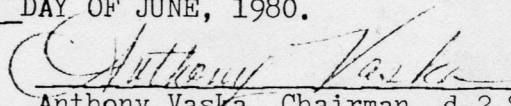
WHEREAS the Association of Village Council Presidents established the AVCP D-2 Steering Committee as its special agent for management of AVCP's d-2 positions at its special convention of February, 1978; and

WHEREAS the D-2 Steering Committee has listened to representatives of the Carter Administration, the national environmental groups, and its own staff on the issue of establishment of wilderness in the AVCP landmass of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, and strongly feels that the continuation of the AVCP policy of objections to all wilderness and wild and scenic rivers in the current National Interest Lands legislative effort is the proper stand;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AVCP D-2 STEERING COMMITTEE that the following actions take place:

1. That the President of AVCP, through letter, notify all interested parties of the AVCP opposition to wilderness and wild and scenic rivers presently being proposed by H.R. 39, and the Tsongas-Roth amendment package to S-9, and that furthermore, AVCP strongly opposes the management of the newly created AVCP area refuges as Wilderness during the Wilderness study period established by the proposed legislation in both Houses of Congress. AVCP strongly supports the management of the newly established conservation units as refuge lands.
2. That the President of AFN in his discussions with Senator Tsongas restate the AVCP opposition to his amendment proposing wilderness in the AVCP region, and deleting the Kiseralik River as a Wild and Scenic River.
3. That Jerry Gilliland, Special Assistant to the Secretary for Alaska, notify his Department of the AVCP position.
4. That special provision be made to allow for native access to their in-lieu subsurface inholdings in the newly established conservation units;
5. That special provisions be made to include the Submerged Lands amendment in any legislation passed by the United States Senate resolving the d-2 issue.
6. That the staffs of the D-2 Steering Committee and the Calista Regional Corporation worked cooperatively to achieve these above stated goals.

MOTIONED AND PASSED THIS 27th DAY OF JUNE, 1980.


Anthony Vaska, Chairman, d-2 Steering
Committee