



Date: January 29, 2018

To: Martha Barberio, Economic Development Director

From: Doug Desorcie, Community Events Coordinator

Re: Arctic Eagle update

The City of Valdez will be hosting a military exercise called Arctic Eagle February 20-25<sup>th</sup>. There will be approximately 200 military personnel attending from all over the lower 48. The Community Events Coordinator has been in contact with the Arctic Eagle representative on needs while they are in Valdez. The Arctic Eagle Representative has asked the City to coordinate a vendor market on the 25<sup>th</sup> so that the Military Personnel can purchase local Alaska goods. The Market would run from 11a-4pm on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> and vendors have been preliminary contacted on their interest and availability. The venue is either going to be the old Whitney Museum area or the Civic Center. The VCVB has also been contacted and they will be passing out visitor information to individuals as well they will have a table at the market. There also has been discussion in regards to a reception with appetizers during the market. A meeting is scheduled with Arctic Eagle organizers on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> to finalize all the details.