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Re: Sawmill Drive, Atigun Drive and Salcha Way Intersection Development

Dear Mr. Nylund

The intersection at Atigun Drive and Salcha Way has become an increasingly busy intersection.

In 2013 Atigun Drive was improved and the connecting Rudolph Street developed this increased the traffic flow on the southern end of Atigun Drive and the connecting Salcha Way.

For years Southcentral Trailer Park at the corner of Atigun Drive and Salcha Way filled in the ditch with snow during the winter and in 2015 filled in the ditch with gravel creating another access into the trailer park. This access at times does create a hazard.

If Airport Industrial Park ever gets developed the traffic on Atigun Drive will become overwhelming.

The extension of Sawmill Drive was looked into back in 2010 due to issues with the intersection back then. A design was created back then just to resolve the intersection issues and need to extend the sewer system up Sawmill Drive.

In connecting the Sawmill Drive to Atigun Drive this will also improve fire and police access to all the trailer parks and homes in the area.

I am happy to hear that the issue is being presented to city council and support this improvement to the city.

Sincerely,

Allen Minish, PLS, PE