

CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA

RESOLUTION NO. 21-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ,
ALASKA, SUPPORTING RETENTION OF REGIONAL STAKEHOLDER
COMMITTEES FOR STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE ALASKA
REGIONAL CONTINGENCY PLAN

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), U.S. Coast Guard, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has requested public comment on proposed revisions to the Alaska Regional Contingency Plan (RCP); and

WHEREAS, the RCP is of critical importance to the City of Valdez for purposes of oil spill prevention and response; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez, other Alaskan communities, the citizens of Alaska, and, Alaska's pristine environment are legally entitled to be protected from oil spills; and

WHEREAS, the City of Valdez is fully committed to protecting the economic and environmental wellbeing of its citizens and all Alaskans; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the RCP would change the established stakeholder engagement mechanism used during oil spills to allow the use of Multiagency Coordination Committees rather than Regional Stakeholder Committees; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the RCP unnecessarily creates confusion regarding how stakeholder engagement with Incident Command during spill response should occur; and

WHEREAS, the utilization of Regional Stakeholder Committees during oil spill response facilitates the exchange of crucial information between Incident Command and local stakeholders that would not occur through the utilization of Multiagency Coordination Committees.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ, ALASKA THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated in this resolution as if set forth fully herein.

Section 2. The City of Valdez directs that the comments, attached hereto as Appendix A, be submitted to ADEC on or before August 6, 2021, along with a copy of this Resolution.

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PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
VALDEZ, ALASKA, this ____ day of _____ 2021.

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Sharon Scheidt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheri L. Pierce, MMC, City Clerk