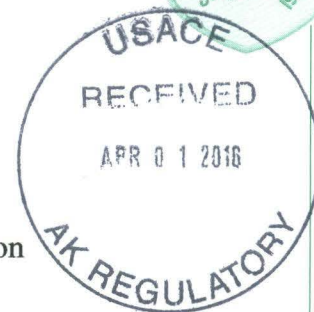


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Whereas the Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers is a private, non-profit corporation incorporated in 1982 and;

Whereas the Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers was formed to:

1. promote the establishment of a connected trail from Seward to Nome,
2. support historical societies and government agencies in the establishment, maintenance and preservation of historic sites, cabins, and other objects related to the Iditarod National Historic Trail System,
3. oversee the location, construction, maintenance and promotion of the Iditarod National Historic Trail from Seward to Crow Pass; and

Whereas the Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers:

- is the longest, continuous Trail Blazer organization in existence
- monitor and advise USFS from Seward to Girdwood
- provide on-going trail maintenance, improvements and clean-up
- is active in promoting the INHT from Seward to Nome

Whereas activities within the 1000 foot trail corridor for the Iditarod National Historic Trail should be consistent with the INHT Comprehensive Plan and;

Whereas the scenic integrity objectives and landscape character goals for the Iditarod Trail generally provide for only ecological changes in natural landscapes and complete intactness of landscape character in cultural landscapes;

Now therefore, by Resolution 2016-02, the Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers supports the Iditarod Historic Trail Alliance Resolution 16-01. We concur that the pipeline project permanently and irreversibly changes and destroys the integrity and scenic quality of the INHT in all of the affected segments. We urge the USACE to preserve the integrity of the world class Iditarod National Historic Trail corridor by managing it for its scenic, historic, and cultural characteristics consistent with the INHT Comprehensive Plan.

Signed,


Linda Sewall, Secretary

Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers

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