



SITKA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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April 11th, 2019

Senator Stedman
State Capitol, Room 518
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Stedman,

I am writing you on behalf of Sitka Economic Development Association (SEDA) to express SEDA's support for modifying the Quitclaim Deed filed in the Sitka Recording Precinct between the State of Alaska and the City and Borough of Sitka described as follows:

TOWNSHIP 56 SOUTH, RANGE 64 EAST, COPPER RIVER MERIDIAN

Section 2: W1/2E1/2, W1/2;
Section 3: E1/2, E1/2NW1/4, excluding U.S. Survey 3551, 3665;
Section 11: E1/2, NW1/4;
Section 12: S1/2NW1/4, SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4, S1/2SE1/4;
Section 13: E1/2, N1/2NW1/4;
Section 24: NE1/4;

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Section 18: N1/2, SW1/4, NW1/4SE1/4;
Section 19: SW1/4NE1/4, W1/2, SE1/4
Section 20: S1/2S1/2;
Section 21: S1/2SW1/4;
Section 26: NW1/4SW1/4, S1/2SW1/4, SW1/4SE1/4;
Section 27: NW1/4NW1/4, S1/2NW1/4, S1/2;
Section 28: All;
Section 29: All;
Section 30: N1/2NE1/4, N1/2S1/2NE1/4;
Section 33: NE1/4NE1/4;
Section 34: NE1/4, N1/2NW1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, NE1/4SE1/4;
Section 35: N1/2, N1/2SW1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, SE1/4;
Section 36: W1/2NW1/4, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4;

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Section 3: NW1/4NW1/4, W1/2NE1/4NW1/4;
Section 4: N1/2NE1/4, E1/2NE1/4NW1/4;

SEDA is requesting that Deed be modified to include the ability for the CBS to sell or lease portions of this property for private use.

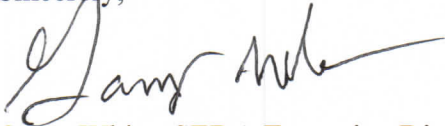
SEDA has been marketing CBS property for economic development opportunities for the past 19 years. There has been interest from private developers to establish a water bottling facility on the described property above. The ability to develop the subject property would bring private investment dollars and local jobs into the community. The demand for property and business development has grown stronger than the remaining properties available for development in the adjacent Gary Paxton Industrial Park.

The current deed restriction limiting use to only public use and access creates uncertainty if every square foot of the property must follow this requirement or not.

The ability to develop the adjacent tide and submerged lands would also be helpful in continuing to create job opportunities.

SEDA is a non-profit organization with a mission to foster a business climate of family wage jobs, and enhance the quality of life for Sitkans. We believe a modification of the subject deed would be beneficial in bring new job and investment into Sitka.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Garry White", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Garry White, SEDA Executive Director