

To: Joint Pipeline Office

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From: Daniel Treat

Attn: Janetta Pritchard

I recently attended a public meeting concerning the Glennallen to Palmer section of the natural gas pipeline. I want to express my thoughts, enthusiasm and concerns about the project. First of all I would like to express that I am pro responsible resource development and utilization. I understand that natural gas in South Central Alaska is critical. This state depends on, and will continue to depend on its natural resources, including natural gas. The proposed route between Glennallen and Palmer appears to be the best both geographically and geologically. It is on public land thus has a lower probability of negative interactions and conflicts. This fact can easily lead into underestimating both short term and long term impacts caused by the construction and maintenance of the pipeline and its corridor.

Some of the issues that should be, if not already, considered and addressed include:

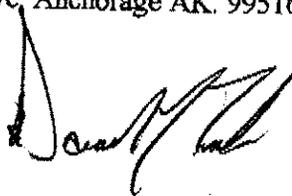
- Construction access roads and routes.
- Service and maintenance roads, routes and access points.
- Short and long term costs in maintaining the service and access roads to and along the entire pipeline corridor.
- How are the corridor and its access going to be managed and regulated?
- Is entry and use of the area going to be limited?
- Are hunting restrictions and wildlife management modifications going to be considered?
- Are the existing natural resources of the area going to be managed in accordance with the inevitable increase of user activity?

We own properties which will be impacted by the construction and maintenance of the pipe line. These impacts and effects will be realized for generations to come. We purchased our properties because of the unique recreational opportunities they provide. The value of the local areas recreational, ecological and economical resources should be weighed against the proposed route. Though not initially considered the best route, the current highway route may have less long term impact because it could be incorporated into "on going" highway improvements. The current highway could aid in the construction and maintenance of the pipe line by reducing long term costs associated with maintaining two corridors from Palmer to Glennallen. Siphon points along the line could also be of intrinsic value to local impacted communities. The rail belt route, which may be beyond the objective of this investigation, also appears to be another viable alternative. I believe that other property owners in the impacted areas are unaware of the long term impacts that will most likely accrue and are uninformed concerning access road locations. This communication laps may prove negative if the public feels that the two way communication environment has been breached. At the public meeting I requested, but have not received, information concerning access routes and locations.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts, and please keep me informed of future plans as they become available. My phone and fax number is 907-346-2661 my mailing address is 5600 E. 115<sup>th</sup> Ave, Anchorage AK, 99516

Sincerely,

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