

Roads and Highways Advisory Board Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Dan Hall, Chair Anchorage, Alaska

Beth Fread Palmer, Alaska

John Fuglestad Anchorage, Alaska

Andrew Guy Anchorage, Alaska

Kodi Long Wasilla, Alaska

Jason McComas-Roe Fairbanks, Alaska

Aves Thompson Anchorage, Alaska

Roads and Highways Advisory Board Resolution

A Resolution Supporting Alaska DOT&PF Contracting Activities for Winter Response

Whereas: the State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is responsible for snow removal along DOT&PF owned and managed transportation corridors;

Whereas: snow removal along our transportation corridors is critical for safe and efficient vehicle driving conditions, as well as for pedestrians and other non-motorized users:

Whereas: DOT&PF is challenged with workforce shortages due to lack of equipment operators available for snow removal efforts;

Whereas: DOT&PF has been challenged with several extreme winter events in both 2022 and 2023 that have overwhelmed State resources;

Whereas: DOT&PF has successfully contracted winter event response and snow removal services during the winters of 2022 and 2023;

Therefore, be it resolved: the Alaska Roads and Highways Board supports the use of contracted resources for snow removal during times of workforce challenges and for extreme weather events that overwhelm in-house resources;

Be it further resolved: the Alaska Roads and Highways Board encourages DOT&PF to pursue innovative contracting methods to secure contract resources to ensure adequate response to extreme weather events or for snow removal during workforce shortages.

Signed:

Dan Hall, Roads and Highways Advisory Board Chair

4-19-23

Date