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... NOT WITHSTANDING SUCH LAWS AS ANILKA 1110B, ITS 2477 AND THE "ALASKA STATE ~~ROAD~~ ACTS ^{THAT} ~~GUARANTEE~~ ACCESS TO THE PEOPLES OF ALASKA ON CERTAIN ROADWAYS SUCH AS OURS, THERE ALSO EXIST BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THIS EARTH AND OUR NATION A DEMOCRATIC ENDEAVOR TO CONSIDER ONE ANOTHER, THEIR NEEDS, FAMILIES AND TRADITIONS — EMPLOYED IN GOOD WILL, RED CROSS, CHURCHES, BREAD LINES, WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

AS A WILDERNESS FAMILY FROM DAY ONE ^{WE} EXEMPLIFY "TRADITIONAL ~~AND~~ ^{AND} SUMMARY ^{OF} THE ROAD ITSELF EXPRESS THE HISTORIC AND PERSONALITY OF A ROAD THAT PIONEERED THIS COUNTRY THE LAST FRONTIER A LAND OF EXTREMS, HARDSHIPS AND DANGERS, BLOOD, TEARS AND LAUGHTER OF ITS PEOPLES. — TO WIPE OUT ITS PEOPLE AND ACCESS, WOULD NOT ONLY MAKE IT VIRTUALLY UNENJOYABLE FOR 99.9% OF THIS COUNTRY'S PEOPLES, BUT WOULD AS IN THE CASE OF "CRACKS COUR", RID THE WILDERNESS OF SUCH ~~SCENIC~~ BEAUTY AND FLAVOR OF LOVE, THAT ITS TRUE NATURE AND MEANING WOULD BE LOST.

MY APPLICATION IS THEREFORE BASED ON THE NEED FOR PRESERVATION AND CONTINUATION OF THE AGE OLD ROAD ACCESS AND FOR THE PEOPLE THAT TRAVEL ^{ON} IT, IN THAT TRADITIONAL AND CUSTOMARY WAY.

According to HISTORY, TRADITION AND LAW I DON'T BELIEVE THAT PERMITTING IS IN ANY ^{ON} VALID ALTERNATIVE, BUT FOR THE SAKE OF GOOD WILL AND NEIGHBORSHIP I SUBMIT THE SURPRISING INFORMATION YOU ASK FOR, HOPING FOR ALL SAKES THAT THIS ISN'T A DEVISIOUS DEPLOYMENT OF STALL TACTICS, BUT THAT YOUR LETTER DOES HAVE INHERENT IN IT A TRUE DESIRE TO HELP AND WORK WITH US.

ALOT OF THESE QUESTIONS YOU ASK ABOUT FOR US TO CLARIFY SEEM REDUNDANT, BUT I WILL OFFER MY BEST SHOT AT THEM ^{SO} THAT YOU CAN UNDERSTAND ALL ASPECTS, ESPECIALLY THE NEED FOR EMERGENCY ACCESS.

60 yds possibility in a few muddy places during the rainy season, the route is very obvious.
has been used for almost a hundred years continuously till present, where on this obvious road way for drainage
I laughed when you said the application didn't provide sufficient info to allow you to address the request
When I first talk

WHEN I FIRST TALKED TO ROB ARNOLD, HEAD OF NPS IN AK AND HIS legal
Adviser CHRIS BOCKMAN THEY EMPHATICALLY DECLARED THAT THERE WAS NO APPLICATION
AT ALL - TOLD ME TO WRITE IT DOWN AND SEND IT. J.P. ALSO IN HIS
PERPLEXITY OVER IT SUGGESTED THAT I DO THE SAME - I DID
THEN I RECEIVED A FORM AND APPLICATION FROM NPS - AND RESPONSE
WAS COMPLETE AND THOROUGH - IT WAS YOUR FORM - NOT ~~THE~~ OURS.
NOW YOU WANT MORE INFO AM I CORRECT?
Here does my best summary -

Here goes my best SHOT AT MEETING YOUR NEEDS IN HOPES THAT
you have this opportunity TO LISTEN AND ACT ACCORDINGLY - AND
you won't Prove Yourself TO BE A "STONEWALLER" (A STONEWALLER
is in my definition a person who acts in such a deceptive manner,
THAT IMPORTANT ISSUES ARE NOT ACTED ON, BUT PUT OFF BY MORE AND MORE
supercilious and senseless rhetoric, designed TO evade the REAL ISSUES AT
hand)

Q. How many trips? ~~10-12~~ IT WILL TAKE 4 TRIPS OF FOOD, ^{FOR} ANIMALS, ^{AND} FEED, AND ANOTHER 4-5 TRIPS TO PROVIDE Food, Building Supplies, Tools, saw mill, PERSONAL emergency NEED FOR 17 PEOPLE, CLOTHING, WINDOWS, INSULATION, ROOFING materials, bedding AND MANY PERSONAL ITEMS, SUCH AS SOAKS AND UNDERWEARE.

Q WHEN? THESE TRIPS MUST OCCURE IN THE 10th AND 11th MONTHS ~~OF THE YEAR~~ OF 2003

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Q. AS FAR AS SIZE AND TYPE ^{of equipment THAT will BE USED?} - SOMETHING ALONG THE LINES OF A SMALLER D-4 DOZER WOULD BE USED WITH TRAILER OF 16' SIZE

ESTIMATED - ALTHOUGH EQUIP USED AND # OF TRIPS COULD VARY ON CONDITIONS AND ABILITY

Q. WHEN WOULD BLADE NOT BE UP?
BLADE WOULD BE UP EXCEPT WHEN ENCOUNTERING ROCK SLIDES WHICH ~~ARE~~ ARE VERY FEW INDEED

Q. "DEAD HEADING" MEANS BLADE UP AND NOT USED EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY APPLICATION

Q. I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE PROOF OF SPAWNING ANADROMOUS FISH IN MC CARTHY CREEK - AND IF SO, HOW FAR UP, AND WHERE THEY BEGIN - HISTORICALLY ITS NEVER HAD FISH, BEING PURE GLACIER FEEL AND NO SIGHTINGS THAT CAN BE DOCUMENTED.

NOT TO MENTION THAT ^{THE} STREAM HAS BEEN CROSSED 1,000 OF TIMES IN THE FAR AND NEAR PAST - DOCUMENTATION IS ABUNDANTLY AVAILABLE ABOUT THESE AS YOU KNOW.

QUESTIONS: PLEASE EXPLAIN NATURE OF EMERGENCY!

I WILL TRY TO EXPLAIN THIS IN POSSIBLY THREE CATEGORIES

- I. THE ACTUAL PHYSICAL NEEDS
- II. THE UNFEASIBILITY OF WINTER TRAVEL TO SUPPLY EMERGENCY NEEDS.
- III. THE "OPEN WINDOW" CONCEPT SO INDIGENOUS TO ALASKA BUSH LIVING.

THE NEEDS: OUR CABIN BURNT DOWN IN THE DEVASTATING STORM THAT HIT THIS PART OF ALASKA AROUND APRIL OF 2003. -35° TEMPS ROLLED DOWN OUR VALLEY PUSHED BY WINDS THAT EXCEEDED 100 MPHs - THE OLDER FAMILY MEMBERS WERE OUT ON THE TRAIL AT THE TIME AND "MAMA COUNTRY ROSE" AND HER SMALLER CHILDREN FOUGHT THE BLAZE WITH COURAGE. UPON RETURN OF THE REST OF THE FAMILY, ONLY TEARFUL EYES AND BROKEN AWAY HEARTS WERE FOUND STANDING AMONG THE FLAME SOAKED SMOLDING REMNANTS OF ALL THAT WE HAD - IN THE MONTHS FOLLOWING A ALL OUT EFFORT WAS PUT FORTH TO REPLENISH NECESSARY AND EMERGENCY NEEDS. GATHERED BELOW IN MC CARTHY WE WAITED FOR THE PERFECT MOMENT TO BRING IT HOME. DECIDED BY A LOCAL RANGER "STEVENS" - PARK OFFICIALS IN A STING OPERATION

WERE INFORMED WHEN WE WOULD BRING THOSE EMERGENCY SUPPLIES HOME, AND THE NPS CLOSED THE MOTHER-LODE ROAD TO ALL MOTORIZED VEHICLES ~~AND~~ FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ALMOST A HUNDRED YEARS - TO KEEP US FROM PERSONALLY BEING ABLE TO GO HOME AGAIN - JUST DAYS BEFORE OUR PLANNED DEPARTURE THIS "STING OPERATION" AND NEW LAW WRITTEN BY NPS, LEFT US WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO SUPPLY OUR NEEDS, OR REBUILD. NOW WINTER IN ALASKA APPROACHES - NEEDS GROW AS WINTER HAS DEMANDS THAT MUST BE MET. ANY UNWILLINGNESS ON NPS PART AT THIS POINT COULD BE CONSIDERED ATTEMPTED MURDER FOR ANIMALS AND PEOPLE HARDSHIPS THAT WOULD PROVE TO BE VERY SERIOUS IN REPROVATIONS IF DENIED EMERGENCY ACCESS.

NOTE WORTHY IS OUR EFFORT TO APPROACH THE SITUATION IN A LAWFULL MANNER - NOT BREAKING THE SELF MADE LAWS OF THE NPS, AND ACTING WITH GOOD FAITH AND INTEGRITY. THE PILGRIM FAMILY MEMBERS ONE AND ALL HOPE AND PRAY THAT WE CAN BEGIN TO WORK TOGETHER TO FACILITATE A "GOOD-WILL EFFORT TO ~~WORK TOGETHER~~ ^{WORK TOGETHER}, HAVING BOTH THE COMMON GOAL OF PRESERVATION FOR THIS WONDERFUL LAND OF ALASKA, ^{IN HAND} WHILE RESPECTING PEOPLE, LIVES, GOALS, HOPES, AND DREAMS THAT EXPRESS GOVT BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE.

WE WANT TO PROVE OURSELVES!
DO YOU WANT TO PROVE YOURSELVES!?

II THE UNFEASIBILITY OF WINTER TRAVEL !

- 1) THE POSSIBILITY OF AIRLIFTS ARE NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO EXTREME EXPENSE, AND LACK OF ABILITY TO HAUL FUEL, BIG OBJECTS SUCH AS TOOLS, WINDOWS, BUILDING SUPPLIES ETC. - NOT FORGETTING SNOW COVERED AIRSTRIP.
- OF COURSE YOU COULD OFFER A HELICOPTER AS YOU'VE MADE HUNDREDS OF FLIGHTS UP HERE ALREADY - BUT I WOULD ^{NOT} BE ABLE TO EXCEPT SUCH A WASTE OF TAXPAYERS MONIES, WHEN I AM PERFECTLY ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR MYSELF, IF GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY

- 2) WINTER TRAVEL AND TIMMING WILL NOT PROVIDE OUR
EXTREM emergency needs
you could easily say "IF YOU DON'T NEED THEM
BEFORE THE MIDDLE OF WINTER, THEN YOU DON'T NEED
THEM!"

WE CAN NOT WAIT TILL THEN TO SEE! TO EAT! TO SLEEP!
TO BUILD! TO TRANSPORT! TO FEED ANIMALS! OR
TO BE WARM!

- 3) THE BIGGEST REASON FOR OUR EMERGENCY NEED IS
BECAUSE YOU SHUT OFF OUR ACCESS (THAT IS GUARANTEED)
DAYS BEFORE WE WERE PREPARED TO MEET OUR OWN
NEEDS LAST SPRING.

WE'VE RUN OUT OF EVERYTHING AND WE
CAN'T WAIT TILL THE MIDDLE OF WINTER TO RE-SUPPLY!

IF I RECALL CORRECTLY, EVEN STATE GAME AND FISH
REGULATIONS ~~DO NOT~~ ^{TAKE} PERMISSION TO HUNT IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS —
I ~~DO NOT~~ ^{HOPES} ~~DO NOT~~ ^{HOPE} YOUR HEARTS AND LAWS ALSO ARE AT LEAST AS MERCIFUL

- ③ HORSES, GOATS, CHICKENS, CATS, ~~AND~~ DOGS CAN'T WAIT TILL -40° AND
3 FT OF SNOW TO EAT

- ④ MACHINERY — SNOW MACHINES — HORSES ETC. HAVE EXTREM PROBLEMS
IN MID WINTER ^{during} -30° COLD & SNOW.

- ⑤ SOMETIMES IT DOESN'T SNOW, AND WE CAN'T RELY ON YOUR
TIMMING TO COME HOME WITH SUPPLIES

- ⑥ IN COLD WEATHER, FOODS, VARNISHES, GLUES, PAINTS, LAQUERS.
① MILK AND DRINK ETC ARE RUINED BY FREEZING —
~~DO NOT~~

- ③ AND WHAT GOOD IS BUILDING SUPPLIES THAT YOU CAN'T USE?
CEMENT, FOUNDATIONS ETC. WHEN IT'S VERY COLD.
ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO CONSTRUCT ~~WITH~~ AND USE.

- ⑦ 50% OF THE TIME RIVERS BREAK UP, CAUSING FLOOD CONDITIONS
THAT WOULD SOAK LOADS THAT TIME OF YEAR.

- ⑦ WARM-UPS IN THE WINTER OFTEN BREAK OUT ICE BRIDGES NATURALLY FORMED OR EVEN BREAK OUT MANY THAT WE MAKE BY HAND.
- ⑧ SNOW MACHINES ARE UNRELIABLE - WE HAVE THE SMALL JUNOSAS, OLDER MODELS, THAT NEED A LOT OF WORK MECHANICALLY - THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BRING LOADS, AND BESIDES BY THE TIME YOU COULD USE THEM IT WILL BE TOO LATE - MANY OF THE SNOW MACHINE TRIPS WERE ONLY ACCOMPLISHED WITH BLOCK AND TACKLE - SNATCH BLOCKS AND TOOK MANY HOURS TO TRAVERSE THE HILLS AND GLACIERS.
- ⑨ IN WINTER TRAVEL ^{IS} EXTREMELY DANGEROUS FOR THESE REASONS:
 - A) AVALANCHES LURK ON THE VALLEY WALLS AND EXTREME CAUTION IS REQUIRED - SILENT AND SPEEDY MANEUVERABILITY IS REQUIRED THAT A DOZER DOESN'T HAVE.
 - B) GLACIERS FORM ICE HIGHWAYS ON MOUNTAIN CLIFFS THAT SEEM TO DARE YOUR COURAGE, THREATENING TO SWALLOW DOZER, HORSE + WAGON, AND EVEN SNOW MACHINE LOADS ON MT. ICED TRAILS WITH LOADED TRAILERS.
- ⑩ "SHELF ICE" ON THE SIDES OF MCCARTHY CREEK REPRESENT IMPOSSIBLE PASSAGE AS THEY FORM OVER 10' AT TIMES, HARDER THAN CEMENT - CREATE DROP OFFS THAT CHALLENGE EVEN A D-9 DOZER.
- ⑪ THE EVENT OF INJURY TO HORSES, PEOPLE AND EQUIPMENT IS GREATLY INCREASED IN THE WINTER SEASON. THERE IS NO REASONABLENESS IN A "LAW OF PERMITTING" ONE TO RISK LIFE, INJURY, AND DESTRUCTION OF SURVIVAL TOOLS.

III THE OPEN WINDOW CONCEPT.

Here in Alaska we who live the Bush-Mountain Life Styles know how important Timing is for survival - A MUST THAT ABSOLUTELY CAN NOT BE IGNORED! THERE IS A "OPEN WINDOW" IN THE FALL DURING THE 10th and 11th MONTH OF THE YEAR THAT ONE CAN TRAVEL TO AND FROM HOMESTEADS such as OURS, "Hillbilly Heaven".

ON THE ONE HAND YOU HAVE FROZEN, AND UN-MUDDY ground TO TRAVEL ON. THE TEMPERATURES ARE NOT SEVERE / you have much ground cover from the falling leaves, WHILE GRASSES ARE GOING dormant, THE PARTIALLY FROZEN ground AND colder Temp AND EASY RIVER PASSAGES (due TO LACK OF RAIN AND GLACIER MELT - AFFORD EASY AND LOW WATER PASSAGES, WHICH LATER WILL SWELL WITH FALSE ICE DAMS AND FLOODING.

IF ANY FISH WERE TO BE PROVEN, they also would be GONE AND ABSOLUTELY NOT EXISTENT. (THIS IS NOT APPLICABLE ALTHOUGH ALMOST TRACK-LESS PASSAGE, - AFFORDING SAFETY, QUALITY SOIL PROTECTION AND expediently fast trips would be OBTAINED -

WORK AND BUILDING AT THE HOMESTEAD SITE WOULD ALSO BE PRACTICAL

WHILE FOOD, CLOTHING, FEED, TOOLS, ~~FOOD~~ FUEL ETC WOULD BE HOME when AND WHERE YOU NEED THEM!

WE MUST REMEMBER Here and in Suburbia AK that EVERY TRAIL, CAT ROAD, ROAD, STREET, TOWN, CITY and DRIVE WAY WAS carefully orchestrated with A BULL DOZER including THE ALCON Hwy in WAR TIMES.

THIS WINDOW OR OPPORTUNITY BELONGS TO YOU ALSO, AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER WITH FAMILIES, COMMUNITY MEMBERS - TO SHOW YOUR "STUFF"

AS WELL FOR US TO PROVIDE THE EMERGENCY NEEDS Required - Remember your addressing A family that RIVALS small villages in numbers here in ALASKA.

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WE'VE ALREADY HAD TO KILL TWO OF OUR MILKING GOATS
FOR LACK OF FEED ~~AND BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE~~

~~ENOUGH TO FEED THEM~~
~~AND WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TO FEED THEM~~
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FOOD IS VERY LOW, WINDOWS ARE BROKEN BY MARRADING
BEARS, TEMPERATURES ARE DROPPING, NO INSULATION TO THE POINT
WHEN MY WIFE AND I DECIDED TO MOVE OUR BED TO ANOTHER
ROOM ^{LAST NIGHT} WE FOUND IT FROZEN TO THE FLOOR.

ARE YOU WANTING TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR HELPING
YOUR NEIGHBORS, OR HELD LIABLE FOR UNCALLED FOR HATERED
~~AS~~ the "deceitful of misery" —

WE ASK YOU, GIVE US OUR ACCESS THAT WE CAN
BEGIN TO WORK TOGETHER.
THE PILGRIMS