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RESOLUTION 2006-9-2**A RESOLUTION OF CORDOVA DISTRICT FISHERMEN UNITED IN
OPPOSITION TO THE CREATION OF AN OIL SPILL RESPONSE FACILITY
AT SHEPARD POINT.**

WHEREAS, Cordova District Fishermen United is the home for the commercial fishing vessel response program used by Alyeska for responding to oil spills in Prince William Sound and the Copper River Delta;

WHEREAS, fishermen need to respond to oil spills rapidly to contain and clean up oil spills;

WHEREAS, access to the equipment needed to respond is critical to the ability of the fleet to assist in clean up of oil spills;

WHEREAS, spill equipment is currently staged and available adjacent to the Cordova small boat harbor;

WHEREAS, there are significant avalanche hazards along the proposed road that can close the road to travel;

WHEREAS, the Shepard point area proposed for the Oil Spill response facility is itself located at and near avalanche hazards;

WHEREAS, travel times by boat to secure response equipment for a spill that affected the Copper River Flats and the Prince William Sound would be significantly increased by moving the spill response equipment to Shepard point;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cordova District Fishermen United supports improvements to existing docks and service areas located in Cordova to improve Oil Spill Response capacity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Cordova District Fishermen United opposes the creation of an oil spill response facility at Shepard point,

PASSED AND APPROVED by Cordova District Fishermen United on the 9th of February, 2006.



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