



Alaska Republican Party

Alaska Republican Party Resolution in Support of the Responsible Development of Pebble Mine

Whereas the State of Alaska is seeking to overcome a significant economic recession and budget deficit, and Pebble Mine is projected to generate \$21 million in average annual revenue for the Lake and Peninsula Borough, and \$1 billion in estimated revenue for the State of Alaska; and,

Whereas Pebble Mine is estimated to create 750-1,000 mining jobs, and an additional 1,000 mining support jobs, and the average mining wage is projected to be \$100,000 annually, and would benefit individuals in an otherwise impoverished area; and,

Whereas the Pebble Limited Partnership will further support economic development in the Bristol Bay region by paying a percent of revenue to year-round residents of Bristol Bay via a Pebble Performance Dividend (PPD), and via projects to share low-cost energy with the residents of Bristol Bay; and,

Whereas Pebble Mine has undergone the most extensive environmental impact study in Alaska's history and the revised proposal is for a mine that is half the size of that originally proposed, with correspondingly less environmental impact; and,

Whereas water entering Bristol Bay as a result of mine operations totals 0.01% of water in the area and this small amount of water will also be treated for optimal fish habitat before it is released back into the environment; therefore be it:

Resolved that the Alaska Republican Party unequivocally supports the development of Pebble Mine; and,

Resolved that all Alaska's leaders and the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers are urged to move forward expeditiously with Pebble Mine's approval and development.

Passed by the Alaska Republican Party State Central Committee this 9th day of August, 2020.

Glenn Clary, Chairman of the Alaska Republican Party