

Introduced by: Mayor  
Date: 12/06/05  
Action: Adopted  
Vote: 8 Yes, 1 No

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
RESOLUTION 2005-104**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A RECREATION TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FOR FUNDING IMPROVEMENTS TO JACOBS LADDER DRIVE**

- WHEREAS,** the Jacobs Ladder Drive is a platted borough right-of-way located approximately 4.5 miles north of Captain Cook park and provides access to about 800 parcels of land in Moose Point and Gray Cliff Subdivisions and an additional 8,000 acres of public land in the Point Possession area; and
- WHEREAS,** the Moose Point and Gray Cliff Subdivisions in the northern peninsula are used extensively for recreational activities, including hunting, fishing, snowmachining, skiing, hiking, photograph, and canoeing; and
- WHEREAS,** other users are dependent upon Jacobs Ladder for access to the northern peninsula, including residents, surveyor, and others; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1997 the Kenai Peninsula Borough with state grant funds provided for the clearing and improvement of Jacobs Ladder; and
- WHEREAS,** the current condition of Jacobs Ladder Drive makes it nearly impassible, leaving no public access from the beach to the North Road Extension, pipeline corridor, utility corridor, or subdivisions in the area; and
- WHEREAS,** improving and extending Jacobs Ladder would provide the needed recreational vehicle access to lands within the northern peninsula for landowners and recreational users; and
- WHEREAS,** the Kenai Peninsula Borough is submitting a trail grant application for \$50,000 to improve public access by upgrading Jacobs Ladder Drive; and
- WHEREAS,** at its regularly scheduled meeting of November 8, 2005, the road service area board recommended adoption by unanimous consent; and
- WHEREAS,** at its November 15, 2005 meeting, the Assembly of the Kenai Peninsula Borough supported, through Resolution 2005-097, the efforts of the planning department to obtain grant funding of \$30,000 for the purpose of improving Jacobs Ladder Drive to expand public access to areas of the north Kenai Peninsula; and

**WHEREAS,** the Recreation Trails Grant Program (a/k/a the TRAAK grant program) now has available funding such that the maximum available for the 2005 grant is \$50,000 instead of \$30,000;

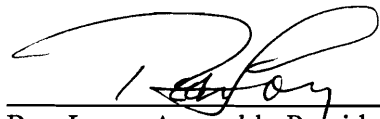
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:**


**SECTION 1.** That the Assembly of the Kenai Peninsula Borough supports the planning department's efforts to obtain grant funding in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of improving the public access by upgrading Jacobs Ladder Drive.

**SECTION 2.** That the Kenai Peninsula Borough urges the Outdoor Recreation Trails Advisory Board (ORTAB), which is the successor to the TRAAK board, and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, to fund this grant request.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2005.**

  
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Ron Long, Assembly President

ATTEST:  
  
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Sherry Biggs, Borough Clerk

