

IROQUOIS RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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The Federal Power Commission is making an environmental evaluation of several routes in Alaska which are proposed for natural gas pipelines. The Iroquois Research Institute is preparing for the Commission a study of the traditional, cultural, historical and archaeological importance and potential of sites that may be on or near the routes proposed by the El Paso Alaska Company.

The purpose of this public letter is to request the assistance of citizens who are familiar with the areas crossed by any portion of possible pipeline routes proposed by the El Paso Company. These citizens may want to advise us of certain sites and places with possible special historical, religious or cultural importance; or to advise us about sites known to them but about which information would not be found in usual reference materials such as those of the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey, the Alaska State Museum and university museums, the Smithsonian Institution, the Canadian National Museum, or in such books as "Resources of Alaska, A Regional Summary", and so forth.

In particular, we ask for the help and cooperation of Natives and individuals familiar with the areas near the following places: Arctic

Village, Fort Yukon, Circle, Stevens Village, Rampart, New Minto, (Old) Minto, Gakona, Gulkana, Tazlina, Copper Center, Eyak, Tatitlek, Anaktuvuk Pass, Alatna, Allakaket, Chenega, English Bay, Umiat, Ninilchik, Alexander (Susitna R.) Eklutna, Seldovia, Port Graham, Healy Lake, Dot Lake, Tanacross, Chitina, Northway, Nabesna Village, Tetlin, Hoonah, Haines, Tenakee Springs, Angoon, Kake, Eagle, Eagle Village, Kenai, Seward, Valdez, Cordova, Whittier, Homer, Delta Junction, Glennallen, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Klukwan, Wiseman, Livengood and others near the proposed routes.

We request that you write to us before February 18, 1975, and that you describe the site and its characteristics and its approximate location in direction and miles from a known village, cabin or geographic point.

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Thank you. Your replies will become part of the public record being established by the Federal Power Commission. Yours in
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