

# ***Pipeline Route Conference Here Opens June 3***

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A pipeline corridor conference, planned as an exchange between state, federal, private and community groups involved in and affected by pipeline construction, opens June 3 at the Travellers Inn at Fairbanks.

In all some 30 incorporated and unincorporated communities along the pipeline corridor have been asked to send representatives, along with four regional Native corporations: Doyon, Limited; the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation, Ahtna Inc. and Chugach Natives Inc.

The conference opens on the afternoon of June 3 with introductory talk by Commissioner Byron I. Mallott of the Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

Next on the agenda is a message from Gov. William A. Egan whose concern over pipeline legislation caused him Sunday to call a special session of the Alaska Legislature to begin June 17. The governor has said he wants the special session to rework what he feels are inadequacies in earlier trans-Alaska pipeline legislation. On Saturday the governor vetoed the pipeline impact bill, virtually forcing the special session. Impact legislation approved during the regular session of the legislature provides \$10 million in grants to communities that cannot meet the costs of growth required by pipeline construc-

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tion with present revenue.

The legislature also approved \$10 million in direct grants to Anchorage, Fairbanks, Barrow, Valdez, the Arctic Slope, North Pole and Big Delta. Indications are that Egan will approve that measure by the end of May.

Mallott and his staff are to discuss a number of vital issues, ranging from municipal financial assistance legislation to land use planning and management.

Mallott himself will delve first into state agency budgets and impact programs on the first day of the conference, while James Wiedeman, principal planner for the Office of the Governor, discusses state and local coordination and cooperation.

Others on the agenda include:

Commissioner Frederick McGinnis of the Department of Health and Social Services, Col. M. E. Dankworth, director of the Alaska State Troopers, Deputy Commissioner J. A. Witt of the Department of Labor; Chairman Buck Kelly of the Northwest Federal Regional Council and Devin Waring, director of the Division of Community Planning within the Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

In the area of special pipeline impact concerns the speakers will be Chuck Champion of the Department of Environmental Conservation; Mike Smith, chief of habitat protection within the Department of Fish and Game

and Deputy Commissioner Jerry Reinwand of the Department of Environmental Conservation. Alyeska Pipeline Service Company is to give a status report on its construction schedule, camp locations and employment.

Concluding the meeting, the morning of June 5, will be a summary of the session by Deputy Commissioner Don Argetsinger of the Department of Community and Regional Affairs.