

Dillingham Leaders Ask for Jobs

DILLINGHAM — Three prominent Native corporations have asked an immediate inquiry regarding job recruitment for local residents on the Dillingham Airport extension project.

The Bristol Bay Native Corp., Bristol Bay Area Health Corp. and Bristol Bay Area Development Corp. issued a joint statement noting that the past fishing season left many people without sufficient means to get through the winter.

"These men are willing to work and can be qualified to drive a truck very quickly," the

corporations said.

"The state should make every effort to insure that the local residents are on the job. The unions involved should be making every effort to accommodate local people also," the corporations said.

The statement was signed by Nels Anderson Jr., executive director of Bristol Bay Native Corp.; Trefon Angasan Jr., regional director for the Bristol Bay Area Development Corp., and Donald Nielsen, executive director of the Bristol Bay Area Health Corp., all at Dillingham.

A similar statement was issued by Herman Schroeder Sr., president of the Dillingham Native Corp. Schroeder noted that to date only one resident of Dillingham has been employed by the Central Construction Co. in constructing the extension to the Dillingham Airport.

Schroeder also said his corporation is demanding that the Teamsters Union waive its requirements for membership in order for residents of Dillingham to be included in that union, on grounds present requirements were too harsh.