Nels A. Anderson, Jr., Deputy Director for RurAL CAP has resigned from RurAL CAP effective April 30, 1972. Mr. Anderson was employed by RurAL CAP on September 1, 1970 as a program specialist and later promoted to deputy director on March 10, 1971.

His future plans are to return to his hometown, Dillingham, with his family to assume the position of executive director of the Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA).

Mr. Anderson said, "My work with RurAL CAP has enabled me to develop skills which have qualified me for the position with BBNA. Without the experience gained with RurAL CAP I am sure that I would not have been considered for the job. I feel that RurAL CAP is one of the finest agencies that exists in Alaska today.

"It can only continue to achieve greater heights in assisting the people in rural Alaska."

He also commented, "I will remain with the Bristol Bay region as long as it takes to organize the region and villages under the provisions of the Alaska Native Land Claims Act. It is difficult to say at this time if I will remain there for many years, although I intend to keep the Dillingham/Bristol Bay region as my permanent address."

John Shively, Executive Director commented that RurAL CAP will feel the loss by Anderson's resignation as he has been a great asset to the agency in its work to alleviate poverty in the State of Alaska. However, his work will not cease as he goes back to assist his people in Bristol Bay.