Benefits Sought for Hawaiians

The success of Alaska Natives in settling the land question with the federal government may be playing an inspirational role in the battle for aboriginal rights that Hawaiian Natives are Septing rodes:

rights that Hawaiian Natives are fighting today.

Because the amount of land making up the Hawaiian Islands is tiny compared to the vastness of Alaska, and because of its commercial high value as an international resort attraction, the aboriginal claim to land faces a monumental task faces a monumental task

Still, many Native Hawaiians are in the battle.

A recent Alaska visitor to the 50th state learned of a Native

woman there who is sueing the federal government for taking land away from its original owners. The suit asks for tril-lions of dollars in payment for the loss of land.

In other Hawaiian matters, the outlook is hopeful for con gressional passage of social legislation to provide federal, benefits for Natives of the state.

an official said. Myron B. Thompson, director of the state's department of social services and housing, said measures before the House and Senate in Washington would provide federal payments to relie**ve** the state of welfare as-

sistance for Hawaiian Natives. He said Hawaii would save \$10 million this year and \$11 million next year if the million next year measures are successful.

Brooks Range

North of the Yukon River, the Brooks Range rises to elevations of 7,000 to 10,000 feet. The rivers draining its northern slopes flow into the Arctic O-

Body Discovered The body of a Native woman

who was the apparent victim of a shooting was discovered in a room of the Northward Building in Fairbanks Tuesday morning. Fairbanks Chief of Police Robert J. Sundberg said.

An ambulance was called to the building, Room 311, at about 11:45 a.m. An intensive police investigation was under way to uncover the circum-

stances of the death, said Chief Sundberg, who was unable to identify, the woman at press time.

No other details of the death were available

SHARE IN FREEDOM



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION NOTICE OF CRITERIA USED IN ESTABLISHING PRIORITY SYSTEM FOR THE AWARD OF

SEWAGE TREATMENT, INTERCEPTOR, AND COLLECTOR SYSTEM GRANTS

AND COLLECTOR SYSTEM GRANTS

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 (PL 92-500) provides grants to municipalities for preliminary plans and studies (step 1), design (step 2), and construction (step 3) of water pollution control facilities. Funds are allotted to the states based on a formula enunciated in the Act. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has the responsibility of allocating such funds among projects within the State. The Federal Act requires the states to establish priority rating systems to evaluate projects and to insure that funds are awarded first to projects with the most pressing needs. The Federal Act insures that all certified projects are entitled to 75 percent of the alignible project costs.

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The Department of Environmental Conservation will establish the priority list at least once a year. If circumstances warrant, the Commissioner may revise the list, allowing for public participation as required by PL 92-500.

Priority of a project for a grant under PL 92-500 is established on the basis of severity of pollution problem, the need for preservation of high quality waters, and national priorities suggested by the Environmental Protection Agency. Priority will be determined by assigning point scores as follows:

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IV. Miscellaneous Considerations
a) Critical public health or environmental considerations certified Max. 400 Points)
b) the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation
D) Water Quality Standards violated or threatened to be violated
100 c) Populations affected
1) Over 12,000
2) 3,000 to 12,000
3) Under 3,000
V. Recipient of previous grant for inoperable project
The requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, and regulations of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, require the State of Alask In place strong emphasis on construction of sewage treatment plants in the grant award criteria. In addition, the relative emphasis in the criteria between sewage treatment plants, interceptor and collector sewers, and the emphasis between treatment facilities, planning, water criteria (marine and fresh water), and propulation, are determined primarily by Federal direction. Upon adoption, the grant criteria and priority list will become official policy of the Department and will serve as the official list for the award of State and Federal Construction Grants.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL GRANT FUNDS WITH PRIORITY LIST FOR FISCAL YEAR 1975

			1 IOO/IL			Total EPA	EPA Grant	75% cost	
List		Project	State	10 die 10 de 1					
No	Project	Description	Proj. No.	Step	Score	eligible cost	(75%)	cumul.	
1	Fairbanks	STP & Int	C-020039	3	850	10.743	8.057	8.057	
2	Kodiak	STP & Int	C-020038	3	825	3.06	2.30	10.357	
3	Valgez	STP	C-020049	1	645	0.02	0.015	10.372	
4	Valdez	STP	C-020049	2	635	0.03	0.023	10.395	
5	Valdez	STP	C-020049	3	625	0.60	0.45	10.845	
6	Valdez Airport	STP & Int	C-020050	1	609	0.01	0.007	10.852	
7	Valdez Airport	STP & Int	C-020050	2	599	0.04	0.03	10.882	
8	Valdez Airport	STP & Int	C-020050	3	589	0.54	0.405	11.287	
9	Seward	STP & Int	C-020051	1	513	0.02	0.015	11.302	
10	Skagway	STP & Int	C-020046	2	512	0.061	U.046	11.348	
11	Seward	STP & Int	C-020051	2	503	0.062	0.046	11.394	
12	Skagway	STP & Int	C-020046	3	502	1,113	0.835	12.229	
13	Petersburg	STP & Int	C-020047	2	500	0.200	0.15	12.319	
14	Seward	STP & Int	C-020051	3	493	0.85	0.638	•	
15	Sitka	STP & Int.	C-020052	1	490	0.05	0.038	12.417	
16	Petersburg	STP & Int	C-020047	3	490	2.085	1.564	13.981	
17	Ketchikan	STP & Int	C.020053	1	485	0.125	0.093	14.074	
18	Wrangell	STP & Int	C-020045	2	481	0.26	0.195	14.269	
19	Juneau-Lemon	STP & Int	C-020054	1	480	0.05	0.037	14,306	
20	Sitka	STP & Int	C-020052	2	480	0.525	0.394	•	
21	Ketchikan	STP & Int	C-020053	2	475	0.55	0.413.		
22	Wrangell	STP & Int	C-020045	3	471	4.25	3.187		
23	Juneau-Lemon		C-020054	2	470	0.32	0.24	•	
24	Sitka	STP & Int	C-020052	3	470	9.975	7.48		
25	Homer	Int	C-020056	1	470	0.005	0.004		
26	Ketchikan	STP & Int	C-020053	3	465	11.8	8.85		
27	Juneau-Lemon	STP & Int	C-020054	3	460	5.77	4.328	•	
28	GAAB-Gird.	STP & Int	C-020055	2	448	0.123	0.092		
29	Juneau-Glacier		C-020048	3	443	2.05	1.536		
30	GAAB-	STP & Int	C-020055	3	438	2.03	1.523		
30	Girdwood			-					

The EPA allocation to Alaska for FY 75 is \$15,059,100. EPA regulations require retaining 5 percent; therefore, the initial allocation limit is \$14,306,145.

*Indicates not to be funded in FY 75

STP = Sewage treatment plant with outfall where applicable int = Interceptor sewer.

Comments on the Grant Award Criteria and the Priority List are invited. Please send your comments to: Commissioner, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Pouch O, Juneau, Alaska 99801. The deadline for ecceiving comments is April 20, 1974.

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