

Anaktuvuk Pass wasn't consulted

To the Editor:

This letter is our concerning on land swap exchange on Chandler and Kaktovik rights.

Where is the hearings on land swap on our hunting grounds? There have been no hearings here at Anaktuvuk Pass concerning the land swap.

We, the people, did not o.k.

the land swap on 100,000 acres of our hunting grounds.

The People of Anaktuyuk must have the first right to say because it is our hunting and fishing and trapping grounds. It is like taking the rights of Anaktuvuk Pass to say on the land swap.

It also said in Tundra Times

June 22 issue that Kaktovik Mayor Archie Brower favored the transfer. Here at Anaktuvuk Pass the city council doesn't favor it. It is like taking part of our heritage for exploration activities.

Thank you.

Concerned People of Anaktuvuk Pass

Help veterans on allotments

To the Editor:

Attention Alaska Native Veterans of Vietnam Era.

With respect to the Alaska Native Vietnam Veterans who did not apply for Native Allotments: I have been pursuing this issue for quite some time. I first wrote letters and applied for my allotment in 1974-75.

B.L.M. officials said, it's CLOSED! Sorry. I told them my situation/reason, but they said, sorry it's CLOSED.

I thought of a lawsuit but lack the funds. Slowly, I've gained support of local officials and they wrote letters to

the Alaska Delegation for me (Vietnam Veteran). Here is the basis of the appeal — because a lot of us were 18-19 years old when we graduated and had to get in Military Service in 1967-1968 till 1971-1972.

During that time was the final period of filing for Native Allotments. When we got home, a lot of us had not finished our education beyond high school and had to pursue it.

So we never were brought up to date on these vital issues and I believe we have at least achieved that right like everyone else.

After all, some younger than I have filed and are receiving their allotments.

I am soliciting other Alaska Native Vietnam Veterans' names so we may expedite this application and be counted as Alaska Natives in our rights.

Sincerely,

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I wish to applaud the Alaska Delegation and the Local Government, Village Corporation in the North Slope.

Upgrade whaling equipment

To the Editor, Greetings:

And to the Eskimo subsistence whalers and to the Eskimo Whaling Commission. This letter is in reference to whalers and to the whales themselves.

Consider: each harpoon should have an electronic locator device built within each harpoon. This way the location of those whales struck but still on the run could be monitored as to the whale's whereabouts at all times.

This triangulation of electronic beeps underneath the water and ice, to know where the whale is, would enhance optimum retrieval of the set

whale quotas. Perhaps the use of a strong "knock-out" drug would also ensure maximum "landings" should a whale be wounded.

Modern technology should be used to aid in the location

of, and for the retrieval of whales.

Thank you for reading these considerations.

Sincerely,

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