

RDC forms group for wetlands issue

The Resource Development Council has formed an Alaska Wetlands Action Coalition to spearhead a statewide effort to convince decisionmakers in Washington, D.C., to accommodate Alaska's unique position in the shaping of a national strategy to protect American wetlands.

In a four-page letter to President George Bush, RDC President Pete Nelson said that a new federal proposal designed to stop the sharp decline in the nation's wetlands base would pose serious impediments to community development in Alaska necessary to support present and future populations.