

Rep. Nels Anderson Jr. declares candidacy

Rep. Nels A. Anderson, Jr., D-Dillingham, today declared his candidacy for the House seat from District 16.

Anderson, who is completing his first term in the State House

of Representatives, has been serving as Chairman of the House Resources Committee. Between sessions, he served on the Coastal Zone Management Interim Committee, the Gas Pipeline Committee, Fisheries

Subcommittee and the Interim Committee on Taxation and Revenue.

In 1974 Anderson ran a close, but successful campaign to be the first Alaskan-born resident to represent his District. This was his first bid for public office.

Anderson represents villages which span two regions—Bristol Bay and the Lower Kuskokwim Delta. In 1974, Anderson traveled to all of the villages in his District.

"Although traveling such a large area is expensive, I believe that a personal, face to face campaign is the only way to win votes. I plan to visit every village in my District again," Anderson said.

Anderson held hearings in several villages during his term as chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee. "Many of the villages in my District had never had a committee come to them before," Anderson notes. "This type of government should be encouraged since so many laws are made in Juneau and the people in rural Alaska seldom get an opportunity to express their views on issues of vital concern," he added.

Anderson, a forceful advocate of intelligent industrial development within the state, stated that he has been given a great deal of encouragement to run and has received financial commitments and offers to run a Re-elect Anderson campaign.



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Summer jobs for Indians

Regional Director James T. Hughes of the U.S. Labor Department today announced in Seattle an allocation of \$474,740 to Indian prime sponsors in the Northwest for summer jobs for youth.

The regional allocation, covering Indian prime sponsors in Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Alaska, is a part of a nationwide allocation of \$8.8 million to 77 prime sponsors which was announced today by Secretary of Labor W. J. Usery.

The jobs are for 9 to 12-weeks and pay a minimum of \$2.30 an hour. They may include directing children's recreation

programs, rehabilitating community facilities, working in day care centers, libraries, school grounds, health facilities, and other jobs on and off reservations.

Participants must be 14 through 21 years of age and from economically disadvantaged families according to current Federal poverty-income-guidelines.

These identify as poor, an urban family of four whose total case income does not exceed \$5,500 or a rural family of four whose total cash income does not exceed \$4,680.

The funds were allocated under Section 303 of Title III of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA).

The Alaska sponsor of the program is Mr. Wallace D. Leask, mayor, Metlakatla Indian Community, Box 8, Metlakatla, Alaska 99926, with a grant of \$20,646.

Ahtna motel to open July 4

(Reprinted from Alaska on Alaska Newsletter).

Modular portions of a motel being constructed by the Ahtna Native corporation at the junction of the Richardson and Glenn highways are being placed on site with balance of rough and finish carpentry to be completed by May 30.

Interior work and cleanup is scheduled by June 15 so that a gala July 4 Bicentennial opening ceremony can take place.

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