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West Susitna Access Project Announces 2024 Field Season and Jobs for Alaskans

March 6, 2024 (Anchorage, Alaska) – The Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) has announced plans to conduct a robust field season for the West Susitna Access Project. AIDEA continues to make progress advancing the West Susitna Access Project.

Governor Mike Dunleavy has expressed strong support for this project, emphasizing the project's importance in facilitating economic growth and development in the region. "Continuing to progress this vital infrastructure is a testament to Alaska's commitment to strategic, responsible development. The West Susitna Access Project is not just about infrastructure; it's about opening avenues for prosperity and progress in our great state. We are committed to developing Alaska's potential resources responsibly and sustainably, ensuring a brighter future for all Alaskans," **said Governor Mike Dunleavy.**

As part of the project's next phase, AIDEA fully intends to conduct a comprehensive field season this upcoming summer of 2024 which will provide approximately 30-50 jobs in the area. The fieldwork aims to collect key information crucial for a future U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit application.

Brandon Brefczynski, Deputy Director at AIDEA and Project Manager for the project, stated, "The West Susitna Access Project is a key component of our mission to stimulate economic growth and diversify Alaska's economy. The 2024 field season is an important step in ensuring that we have the most accurate and comprehensive data to support our application and the project's ultimate success."

AIDEA supports initiatives that create jobs and responsible economic development in Alaska. For information about AIDEA or any of AIDEA's projects, please visit www.aidea.org or contact AIDEA at communications@aidea.org. For information about the project, visit AIDEA's West Susitna Access Project webpage at: <https://www.aidea.org/Programs/Infrastructure-Development/West-Susitna-Access>.

About AIDEA:

The Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority is a public corporation of the

State of Alaska. AIDEA's purpose is to promote, develop, and advance the general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Alaska.

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