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1992 RDC Candidate Survey
Candidates address resource issues

by Debbie Reinwand

Roads and infrastructure, the opening of ANWR and resolution of the long-debated Mental Health Trust Lands issue are all concerns of Alaska’s legislative candidates responding to RDC’s election year survey.

Economic and resource issues were the focus of RDC’s 1992 candidate questionnaire, which covered a gamut of issues. Of the 140 individuals seeking legislative office, 88 responded to RDC’s questions.

The straightforward survey asked candidates if they support ANWR exploration and drilling; a state-funded ANWR advocacy campaign; incentives to encourage oil exploration and development; an amendment to resolve the Mental Health Trust Lands issue; what level of timber harvest they support; and finally, an array of revenue-enhancing funding priorities were ranked by the candidates.

One of the big surprises in the candidate survey was the overwhelming support for an amendment similar to that supported by RDC during the 1992 legislative session, that would bring the current Mental Health Trust Lands deadlock to resolution.

RDC, the Alaska Miner’s Association, the Alaska Coal Association and a consortium of environmental groups supported what is known as the Volland amendment that would reconstitute some of the trust lands and provide a revenue stream of 6% from the general fund for mental health programs. Although the funding issue was (Continued to page 3)
From Southcentral to Southeast Alaska

A busy October for RDC

What a busy month for RDC! A RDC Thursday breakfast debate on water quality regulations led off, with RDC hopefully stimulating lots of “Do-Your-Part” comments on the proposed revisions. The following well-attended breakfast meeting was co-hosted with other concerned groups on the “fiscal gap” in state government and featured presentations by Economist Lee Gorsuch of the Southcentral Tommet and Economist Paul Glavinovich. The group ended with a Resolutions Committee meeting.

A special RDC thanks for the excellent Sitka field trip is extended to Stone Evaluation, RDC Communications Director Carl Roppel and a team of Sitka residents to join the Sitka community for a full military and community celebration.

At left, Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole (left to right) RDC Deputy Director Debbie Reinwand, Executive Director Becky Gay, and President Paul Glavinovich at the Oct. 15 breakfast meeting.

situation in Congress. We appreciate Usibell Coal Mine allowing us to reschedule the Clean Coal Technology presentation to December 3 in order to accommodate the Senator.

Then off we went on a RDC community outreach trip to Sitka — one of the best ever! There was a festive Alaska-size atmosphere to every activity, as Sitka gives this historic day its due! Sitka is the site where the Russian flag was taken down and the American flag raised over Alaska, so every year a full military and community celebration takes over the town. As the joke goes, “Just think, if Alaska hadn’t been sold by Russia, we’d be celebrating a free country today.”

Mayor Dan Keck of Sitka was our community host. Many thanks to you. Mayor Dan, for all the extra you and your community gave to RDC.

Board members and spouses accompanying President Paul Glavinovich and Jackie were Vice-Presidents Kelly Campbell and Jim Cloud, Past RDC President Joe Henri, Elizabeth Rensch, Lyle Von Bargen, Valdez, Jim and Donna Davis, Roger and Lorna Herrera, Karen Hofstad, Petersburg, Barry and Eleanor Thomson, Kenai, Mitch Usibell, Healy, and Honorary Director Phil Holdsworth, Juneau.

Joe Henri and RDC Communications Director Carl Portman then flew on to Ketchikan to carry the RDC banner and plaque of appreciation to the Alaska Forest Association’s special retirement dinner for long-time board member Don Finney. Thanks to Martin Phip, Clyde Johnson and Steve Connelly of Ketchikan Pulp Corporation for a great tour of the KFC facilities.

A special RDC thanks for the excellent Sitka field trip goes to Frank Roppel, Rollo Pool and the gang at Alaska Pulp Corporation, Harold Thompson at Sitka Sound Seafoods, Dick Griffin at the Alaska Raptor Rehabilitation Center, and Ann Chadwick at the Sitka Convention & Visitors Bureau. We also thank all of the numerous Sitka residents, members of the Borough Assembly and Sitka Chamber for making RDC feel so warmly welcomed. Those of us who stayed over for the exciting Sitka Day parade on Sunday had an extra fun-filled experience.

The past month has definitely been full of RDC spirit-building activity and a great example of RDC’s community interest. We thank each and every one of you for your participation. Let’s hope to see each other at the RDC conference and end November on an equally good note!

October community outreach

RDC Board visits “Sitka by the Sea”

RDC President Paul Glavinovich observes technicians at the Alaska Raptor Rehabilitation Center examine an injured eagle. At right, Vice Presidents Jim Cloud and Kelly Campbell join Executive Director Becky Gay and Deputy Director Debbie Reinwand for a tour of the ARRC in Sitka.

RDC Honorary Board member Phil Holdsworth addresses mining issues before the board meeting in Sitka October 17.

RDC board members join Harold Thompson of Sitka Sound Seafoods for a tour of the fish processing facilities.

The Alaska Day parade in Sitka draws large crowds to the old Russian capital of Alaska.

RDC Board member Dan Keck, Mayor of Sitka, hosted the board on its community outreach trip October 16-18.

Above, RDC board members tour the Alaska Pulp Corporation facilities near Sitka. At right, APC Executive Vice President Frank Roppel and Public Relations Director Rollo Pool address the group.

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The Cost of Clean:

That was the headline of the October 1992 Resource Review. In the article that followed that headline, readers learned that the estimated cost of federal environmental mandates to the Municipality of Anchorage for the 1991-2000 period totalled $429,936,737. Now if that did not get your attention, perhaps this figure from the EPA will -- it now costs business over $155 billion every year to comply with federal environmental laws. Many of our environmental laws and regulations are a product of the federal Clean Air and Clean Water Acts and each, with their promulgation, involved some sort of a risk assessment; unfortunately, many of these assessments suffered from an obvious lack of common sense. For example, John Goodman of the Dallas-based National Center for Policy Analysis reports a 1990 EPA regulation on wood preservatives that imposed costs at a rate of $5.7 trillion per life preserved. Can you imagine the lives that would be saved if those sorts of dollars were devoted to infant nutrition programs? Ross Perot would probably say “It’s time that we re-think our priorities."

There is little question that our society, spurred government, must start insuring regulation-generating environmental programs with a strong dose of reality and common sense. Private enterprise cannot survive indefinitely under the dark cloud of non-productive environmental mandates that not only threaten the financial viability of that enterprise, but also rob U.S. business of its international competitiveness and suppress individual initiative and incentive. John Cross, writing in the Renewable Resources Journal, concludes that “it is no longer a matter of tradeoffs between economic growth and environmental quality. Environmental protection is a prerequisite for sustained economic growth. Development is, in turn, essential to the technological advancement that will be needed to sustain current and future populations within the carrying capacity of the environment."

Is there a solution? RDC thinks there is and has structured its 13th Annual Conference, “Needs of the ‘90s: Prosperity and the Environment,” to address just such issues. The conference, featuring speakers of national stature, will take place in Anchorage, November 19-20.

This is a must attend for all in the private, public and regulatory sectors of the business world and for those on the other side of the pendulum as well.
### Where They Stand on Your Issues:

**RDC Candidate Survey:**

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### Candidate Comments

- Candidate A: "Prioritize education and healthcare initiatives to improve the quality of life for all residents.
- Candidate B: "Strengthen the economy by investing in technology and innovation.
- Candidate C: "Address environmental concerns to ensure a sustainable future.
- Candidate D: "Focus on social issues and ensuring equal opportunities for all."