DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Alaska Road Commission

Juneau, Alaska

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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Ike P. Taylor

SUBJECT:

Classification of Roads

There is attached a copy of a press release I have prepared on the above subject.

We discussed this matter briefly yesterday. The following is suggested as a classified list:

Through Roads

Alaska Highway Richardson Highway Glenn Highway Haines Highway Tok Cut-Off Anchorage - Saward Road

Feeder Roads

Steese Highway Elliott Highway McKinley Park Road Anchorage Potter Indian Road Edgerton Cut-Off Tok Eagle Road Ruby Long Poorman Road Nome Solomon Road Kenai Lake Homer Road Fairbanks College Road Anchorage Lake Spenard Road Circle Hot Springs Road

Local Roads

All roads not classified as Through Roads or Feeder Roads

It is requested that you review the above list and recommend any changes you consider desirable in it.

It is requested that you formulate a set of construction and maintenance standards for adoption by the Alaska Road Commission suitable for roads in each of the three categories. For the present such standards need be formulated only in general terms.

John R. Noyes Commissioner of Roads for Alaska

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PRESS RELEASE

Subject: Classification of Roads

For the purpose of determining Alaska Road Commission standards of construction and maintenance requirements for rights-of-way, marking, and other purposes, the roads of Alaska other than those in national forest areas are classified on a basis of use into three categories as follows:

Through Roads Feeder Roads Local Roads

Through Roads are defined as principal roads of primary importance forming connecting links in the main highway system of Alaska.

Feeder Roads are defined as principal roads of importance only secondary to through roads, which lead from or are used in conjunction with the through roads as a part of the main highway system of Alaska. These roads will include principal roads constructed to new areas of development.

Local Roads shall include all other roads constructed or maintained by the Alaska Road Commission.

As occasion requires, roads may be reclassified between the above-cate-tories to conform to changed conditions of use.

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