

Alaska-Yukon Intergovernmental Relations Accord

between

The State of Alaska
as represented by the Governor
and

The Government of Yukon
as represented by the Premier

WHEREAS the citizens of Alaska and the Yukon share an extensive common border, strong social and Indigenous ties, and shared history; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Alaska and the Yukon have familial and friendship relations; and

WHEREAS the State of Alaska and the Government of Yukon have previous and existing valuable cooperative agreements for areas such as tourism marketing and wildfire management and response; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Alaska and the Yukon stand to mutually benefit from increased cooperation and communication across the spectrum of common interests; and

WHEREAS citizens of Alaska and the Yukon also share many common interests including economic development, Arctic infrastructure, job and workforce training, transportation, energy, the environment, fish and wildlife, and cross-border access and portability of citizens for work and recreation; and

WHEREAS there are opportunities to be explored to enhance the relationship between the two governments, to resolve issues, and to develop opportunities for their respective regions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the governments of Alaska and the Yukon pledge to continue to work together on matters of joint concern and mutual interest, to share information and promote understanding of issues and opportunities, and to identify additional areas in which there can be joint formal and informal cooperation.

The Governor and the Premier agree to meet as necessary to define and review issues of mutual interest, foster joint economic opportunities, and monitor progress toward enhanced joint cooperative efforts.

The Governor and the Premier will, as required, appoint officials to serve as principal points of liaison for policy and program purposes and the expeditious sharing of information about mutual interests and joint concerns. Appointed officials shall, when directed, form working groups designed to address specific issues and commence efforts to develop solutions.

Officials appointed by the Governor and Premier may negotiate jointly and, with the permission of their respective Governor or Premier, execute cooperative agreements to the Alaska-Yukon Intergovernmental Relations Accord. Such agreements shall be incorporated as appendices to this Accord.


This Accord shall be in effect for five years from its date of signature. It may be renewed or amended by the mutual consent of both governments. Either of the Parties may terminate this Accord on 30 days' notice in writing to the other.

This Accord does not create a right or cause of action enforceable by third parties. It is a definite expression and record of the purpose and intention of the Parties, to which each honorably pledge themselves.

This Accord is signed on this 9th day of February 2024 in Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada.

For: The State of Alaska

For: The Government of Yukon



The Honorable Michael Dunleavy
Governor



The Honourable Ranj Pillai
Premier