

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
QAWALANGIN TRIBE OF UNALASKA, THE CITY OF UNALASKA, AND THE
OUNALASKA CORPORATION**

I. INTRODUCTION

Soldiers from the 351st Civil Affairs Command Functional Specialty Team conducted a Leaders' Reconnaissance in support of (ISO) for the Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) program. Personnel executed core Civil Affairs competencies to set conditions for the follow-on Subject Matter Expert (SME) Assessment in late August 2020.

The IRT is a U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) military training opportunity that delivers joint training opportunities to increase readiness. IRT provides key services, including health care, construction, transportation, and cybersecurity. IRT teams bring relevant expertise and experience and receive training in the process of executing an opportunity. Communities bring the projects and contribute material and supplies to complete the project work.

The 2020 Leaders' Reconnaissance ISO focused on building rapport and identifying projects and programs for assessment where Civil Affairs Battalion expertise can help prioritize community efforts to ensure the health, wellbeing, and prosperity of the island for future generations. Areas that are targeted for assessment include: public health, public administration, environmental management, economic development, public works and utilities, and public communications.

II. PURPOSE

The community is focused on diversifying beyond commercial fishing and creating strong federal infrastructure on a geographically important island and region. Attainment of this goal requires coordination across numerous stakeholders, particularly: the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska; City of Unalaska; Ounalashka Corporation; State of Alaska; U.S. Department of Homeland Security (U.S. Coast Guard); DoD; and several international fisheries corporations. The goal is to assist available stakeholders to better understand their desired end-state and how to optimize the SME Assessment to empower the local Unalaska community. The purposes of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are to: (1) improve communication on IRT issues among responsible agencies, including the provision of appropriate point of contact information; and (2) seek to coordinate an appropriate response by city, corporate and/or tribal agencies to IRT issues on the Island.

For these purposes, the Parties hereby establish the Unalaska IRT Group (UIRTG).

III. AUTHORITY

This MOU is entered into pursuant to the authority of tribal, city and state law, including the Constitution and By-Laws of the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska, the

Ordinances adopted by the Unalaska City Council and the Articles of Incorporation of the Ounalashka Corporation.

IV. ORGANIZATION

The UIRTG shall consist of, at a minimum, the President of the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska, or his designee; the Mayor of the City of Unalaska, or his designee; and the CEO of Ounalashka Corporation, or his designee. Both the member and the designee may attend meetings of the UIRTG and participate in discussions. Both the member and the designee shall have appropriate education or training in planning and infrastructure issues to participate effectively in the UIRTG. The UIRTG shall attempt to achieve consensus in its decision-making. In the event that consensus cannot be achieved, final decisions shall be made in accordance with each party's independent authority.

V. ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The UIRTG shall:

- A. Convene every 90 days, or more or less often, as required to evaluate and analyze IRT issues over the coming 12-month period. Attendance may occur by telephone conference call or by video conference call, at the member's discretion.
- B. Endeavor to develop protocol concerning the means of processing various community problems and needs, which shall become appendices to this MOU if reduced to writing.

VI. CONTACT INFORMATION

Points of contact for the law enforcement investigative and prosecutorial agencies are attached to this document and shall be updated periodically as changes occur.

VII. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as requiring the obligation, appropriation, or expenditure of any monies from the federal, state, city, corporate or tribal treasuries.
- B. This MOU may be renegotiated, amended, extended, or modified by written amendment to this MOU executed by authorized officials of the Parties.
- C. This MOU may be terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties. Any individual party may withdraw from this MOU by providing 30-days advance written notice to the others.
- D. Nothing in this MOU is intended to create any rights in any third party and no obligations or responsibilities in this MOU shall be enforceable by any third party.

E. The MOU shall become effective upon August ____, 2020, or the date last signed below.

Date: _____
Name: Thomas Robinson,
Title: President, Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska

Date: _____
Name: Vincent Tutiakoff
Title: Mayor, City of Unalaska

Date: _____
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POINTS OF CONTACT

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