

**CITY OF COFFMAN COVE
RESOLUTION 15 – 06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COFFMAN COVE AGAINST THE USE OF HERBICIDES AND
PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS ALONG THE ALASKA ROADWAYS**

WHEREAS, the use of herbicides by the Alaska Department of Transportation along Alaska's roads and highways is a subject of great concern amongst the City Council and residents of Coffman Cove; and

WHEREAS, public and private lands and waterways adjacent to Alaska's roadways provide access to fish, wildlife, berries and many other naturally occurring resources that provide food, economic, lifestyle and cultural benefits to many Alaskans; and

WHEREAS, the use of herbicides around or adjacent to state waterways and wetland runs contrary to Alaska's claim that our fish and wild berry products come from pristine environment; and

WHEREAS, regulations developed by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation and the Alaska Department of Transportation do not provide for public comment on the use of herbicides along Alaska's roadways and public lands; and

WHEREAS, a public process could help eliminate fear of dangerous herbicides being used on resources.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that mechanical vegetation control on state roadways be considered the primary means of vegetation control and that herbicides and pesticide application be considered ONLY in an emergency or some extraordinary circumstance that mechanical means cannot be used.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 18 day of Sept., 2014 by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of Coffman Cove, Alaska.



Mayor, Mariana Carter



Clerk, Jean Soderberg