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**From:** Breanna Walker <breanna@salmonstate.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 2, 2021 5:29 PM  
**To:** Mark Jensen; Debra Thompson; Chelsea Tremblay; Assembly  
**Subject:** AK-BC Transboundary Salmon Rivers Update  
**Attachments:** 2021 AKBC Resolution of Support.pdf

Hello Distinguished Municipal Leaders,

The [Southeast Alaska Indigenous Transboundary Commission](#) (SEITC) and [Salmon Beyond Borders](#) reach out to you today with a sense of urgency. Canada continues to permit massive mines with toxic tailings dams along shared rivers without the meaningful engagement of those of us downstream. Meanwhile, transboundary salmon runs plummet. [We again](#) call on regional municipalities to join us in the ongoing effort to defend the Taku, Stikine, and Unuk Rivers -- **THE RIVERS THAT FEED US**.

We humbly request that the Petersburg Borough Assembly consider adopting a municipal resolution based on the **attached Resolution of Support** language that has been carefully drafted, considered, and signed by many of our closest transboundary partners who represent multiple sectors and interests of Southeast Alaska.

We also request the opportunity to provide a virtual update to your assembly at its earliest convenience before our potential community visits later this fall, pending Covid-19. *Would you please respond to [Breanna@salmonstate.org](mailto:Breanna@salmonstate.org) to confirm that you've received this request, including your preferences for a virtual update to the assembly, by Friday, August 13th?*

Many thanks for your ongoing support and for your consideration of the next phase of our collective work as Southeast Alaskans to defend and sustain our transboundary salmon rivers. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with questions, ideas, or concerns at any time.

Sincerely,  
Breanna Walker, Campaign Coordinator  
Salmon Beyond Borders

*On behalf of*  
Frederick Otilius Olsen, Jr., Executive Director  
Southeast Alaska Indigenous Transboundary Commission  
and  
Jill Weitz, Campaign Director  
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*[Southeast Alaska Indigenous Transboundary Commission](#) is a consortium of 15 Tribal governments founded in 2014 working to protect our Tribal lands and waterways for future generations in the Southeast Alaska/Bristol Bay/British Columbia/Yukon Territories region.*

*[Salmon Beyond Borders](#) is a campaign driven by sport and commercial fishermen, community leaders, tourism and recreation business owners, and concerned citizens, in collaboration with Tribes and First Nations. It is united across the Alaska/British Columbia border to defend and sustain our transboundary rivers, jobs, and way of life.*

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