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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Gary Knopp, Assembly President  
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

**FROM:** David R. Carey, Mayor *David Carey*  
Bill Smith, Assembly Member *Bill Smith*

**DATE:** August 25, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance 2011-19-15 (MAYOR SUBSTITUTE), Appropriating \$50,000 from the General Fund for Tall Tree Road Bridge repair

A substitute ordinance is recommended for Ordinance 2011-19-15. The substitute ordinance changes the funding source from the Road Service Area (RSA) to the General Fund. The bridge is not within borough right-of-way and is not on the borough's road maintenance system. The bridge damage is causing debris to enter into Stariski Creek threatening salmon spawning and rearing habitat. Protecting salmon returns within the borough is important both to the local economy and community. It is recommended that funds from the general fund as opposed to the RSA be used to help address the threat to both public safety and Stariski Creek and its associated riparian ecosystem. In order to reflect this change, two 'Whereas' clauses addressing the habitat concerns have been added, and one addressing the RSA has been deleted.

Further, the original ordinance specifically addressed the provision of funds to the Kenai Watershed Forum for bridge repairs. It is the Administration's intention to work with any applicable agency, entity or group of residents prepared to repair the bridge in a manner consistent with the purpose of this ordinance. An amendment to section 1 of the Ordinance is proposed to effectuate this change. Finally, a change is proposed from the original ordinance that clarifies that up to \$50,000 may be committed to the project as opposed to the whole amount which may not be needed.

Your consideration is appreciated.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT FUNDS VERIFIED	
Acct. No.	<u>100-27910 FB</u>
Amount	<u>50,000</u>
By:	<u><i>BT</i></u> Date: <u>8/25/11</u>
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