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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 31, 2024
TO: Mayor and Assembly

FROM: Michael Brown, Borough Manager

RE: Manager's Weekly Post

Community Transportation Program (CTP) and Transportation Alternative Program (TAP): The Borough applied for two CTP projects and two TAP projects as a means to leverage Federally-funded transportation projects in the Mat-Su. The Project Evaluation Board (PEB) was held last month on December 20, 2023. The final scores are available on the web at:

- <u>Community Transportation Program CTP, STIP, Capital Improvement Program, Transportation</u> & Public Facilities, State of (alaska.gov)
- <u>Transportation Alternatives Program TAP, STIP, Capital Improvement Program, Transportation & Public Facilities, State of (alaska.gov)</u>

The Borough scored well statewide, along with DOT&PF nominations for valley projects. This ranking order represents the final PEB scores but does not guarantee funding. Awards will be announced when funding availability and population category sub allocations are determined.

<u>Wetland Mitigation Bank 4th Quarter Report</u>: We did not have any sales in the Fourth Quarter of 2023.

Public Affairs Media Flyover:

Law Enforcement

• Should the Mat-Su do more to protect its residents?
Frontiersman

Food Security

- Gov Dunleavy introduces CROP Act to incentivize food production in Alaska Office of Governor
- Mat-Su ice fishing outing helps teens learn where their food comes from Alaska Public Media

Public Safety

 Inter-agency coordination helped responders reopen Glenn Hwy after major vehicle pileup

Alaska's News Source

 American Red Cross of Alaska sees a dramatic increase in home fires in January Frontiersman

Arctic Winter Games

• MTA announces \$75,000 sponsorship for 2024 Mat-Su AWG

Frontiersman

Study's and Reports

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Utilities

• Long cold snap puts a strain on Southcentral Alaska's energy system
Frontiersman

Libraries

Mat-Su suspends challenged-book policy...

Property Assessments

 Property values up 5.6% in Mat-Su but new construction slows, borough assembly is told

Frontiersman

Fish and Game

• <u>Bill backed by Southeast communities would tighten hunting and fishing residency requirements</u>

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