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DATE: August 20, 1997
TO: Council Members
FROM: Mayor Sarah Palin 
RE: JACOBSON LAKE ACCESS

Council:

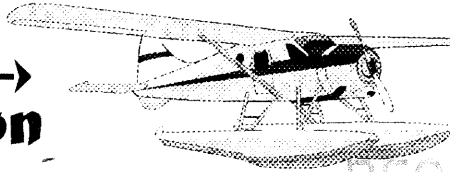
Kevin Ferris with Tailwind Aviation has contacted the City regarding moving his aircraft repair business to the new Wasilla Airport. (Attached is his letter to the City.)

I encourage Council to discuss Wasilla's long term plan for development at the airport, including Jacobson Lake access.

Tim Krug and our Planning Commissioners have also been tasked with focusing on the Jacobson Lake/New Airport access.

Thank you.

Tailwind Aviation



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Dear Mayor Palin,

I am very interested in building a hangar and moving my aircraft repair business to the new Wasilla airport. However, for me to do that I **must** have access to Jacobson lake because 95% of my customers are floatplane operators.

I recently met with Bill Harvey and discussed this with him. He was very discouraging. He said "Jacobson lake access is in the long term plan but I shouldn't plan on it happening any time in the near future".

I believe that a Seaplane Base at the new airport is the most important improvement that can be made to the facility. Currently the airport is only accessible to 60% of the air traffic in the valley.

I'm convinced that lake access to the airport would be a great incentive for other aircraft maintenance and service businesses to move in. This would have a great effect on the local economy.

Thank you for considering my petition and feel free to call me if you would like to discuss this.

Thank You,

Kevin Ferris