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Good afternoon,

After careful deliberation the Alaska State Troopers (AST) have decided not to submit another proposal to enter into a contract providing law enforcement services within Girdwood. At this time, AST is in the process of moving positions to better meet our overall mission, in particular the Kenai Peninsula. After October 1, 2016, AST will no longer have an office in Girdwood. Until a time Girdwood signs a contract with the Whittier Police Department (WPD), AST will respond to Girdwood and the surrounding areas from our Seward/Cooper Landing offices. AST will continue to provide three Bureau of Highway Patrol (BHP) troopers dedicated to enhancing safety on the Seward Highway. It is regrettable that we have to close our Girdwood Post after having a rich history of providing service to the community of Girdwood but times have changed and so have the financial circumstances we now face.

I respect and appreciate everyone's positions regarding our service in Girdwood. I wish there was another alternative, but at this time our resources are very limited and the foreseeable future doesn't seem any brighter. There has to be a point when the

Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) decides how they will provide basic police services to all their citizens living within the MOA. It's difficult for AST to provide those services within the MOA when we are already struggling to provide police services to our rural areas of the State.

Respectfully,

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