

**From:** [Jeff & Miriam Rasco](#)  
**To:** [Commission, Boundary \(CED sponsored\)](#)  
**Cc:** [cityclerk@dillinghamak.us](mailto:cityclerk@dillinghamak.us)  
**Subject:** City of Dillingham Petition for Annexation  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 02, 2016 10:03:00 PM

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Jeff Rasco  
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March 2, 2016

Local Boundary Commission  
550 W Seventh Avenue, Suite 1640  
Anchorage AK 99501

In my letter to the Local Boundary Commission dated February 24, 2016 I pointed out that the City of Dillingham makes a statement in their petition for annexation of Nushagak Commercial Salmon District waters as follows: “The Dillingham Police Department was part of a mutual response with Alaska State Troopers on 37 occasions between May 2012 and April 2013 in the annexed waterways or the areas bordering the waterways (Ekuk, Clark’s Point, Igushik, Wood River lands).” I emailed the City and asked for the dates that City of Dillingham Police were dispatched to the village of Ekuk as a part of these responses. City Manager, Rose Loera, responded with the following statement: “we would not have responded with the State Troopers to the village of Ekuk. Any of our responses would have been on the water. Our annexation petition does not include any of the land surround the Nushagak Bay only the commercial fishing waters.” (See email copy below) I believe the City’s statement could be easily misunderstood because it says “or the areas bordering the waterways (Ekuk, Clark’s Point, Igushik, Wood River lands).” It might be assumed that the City is providing services to setnet fishermen at Ekuk by providing City Police Officers. According to the City Manager, City of Dillingham Police were not dispatched to the village of Ekuk.

The City is petitioning to annex the Commercial Salmon District waters in order to impose a tax on the fishermen based on a specific list of services that the city provides to the fishermen. As I stated in my previous letter, setnet fishermen on the Ekuk beach do not benefit from these services. Ekuk setnet fishermen should not be required to pay a tax for services we do not receive and I ask that you deny this Petition as it is written. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jeff Rasco

Hi Jeff – we would not have responded with the State Troopers to the village of Ekuk. Any of our responses would have been on the water. Our annexation petition does not include any of the land surround the Nushagak Bay only the commercial fishing waters. Thank you -

Rose Loera

**City Manager**

**From:** Jeff & Miriam Rasco [mailto:[rasco@olyphen.com](mailto:rasco@olyphen.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 01, 2016 6:05 AM  
**To:** [manager@dillinghamak.us](mailto:manager@dillinghamak.us)  
**Subject:** FW: Petition for Annexation

Rose,

Are you the person who can answer this question or should I be in contact with someone else?

In the City of Dillingham's petition for annexation of Nushagak Commercial Salmon District waters there is a statement that reads "The Dillingham Police Department was part of a mutual response with the Alaska State Troopers on 37 occasions between May 2012 and April 2013 in the annexed waterways or the areas bordering the waterways (Ekuk, Clark's Point, Igushik, Wood River lands)." Can you give me the dates that Dillingham Police were dispatched to the Village of Ekuk as a part of these responses? Thank you for your help.

Jeff Rasco

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**From:** Janice Williams [mailto:[cityclerk@dillinghamak.us](mailto:cityclerk@dillinghamak.us)]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 26, 2016 8:59 AM  
**To:** Jeff & Miriam Rasco  
**Cc:** Rose Loera  
**Subject:** RE: Petition for Annexation

Jeff, please note I received your email and am forwarding it on to our City Manager, Rose Loera.

**Janice Williams**

City Clerk

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**From:** Jeff & Miriam Rasco [mailto:[rasco@olyphen.com](mailto:rasco@olyphen.com)]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 25, 2016 7:37 PM

**To:** [cityclerk@dillinghamak.us](mailto:cityclerk@dillinghamak.us)

**Subject:** Petition for Annexation

Janice Williams,

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