

**BRADLEY LAKE PROJECT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION NO. 26-04**

**Bradley Lake Expansion Project
Renewable Energy Fund Grant Application, Round 19**

INTRODUCTION

The Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project provides a significant source of reliable, renewable energy to Alaska's Railbelt electric utilities. The Bradley Lake Expansion Project, including the Dixon Diversion and Bradley Lake Pool Raise components, is intended to increase the renewable energy available from the existing Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project and reduce the Railbelt's dependence on fossil-fueled generation.

The Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) is advancing development of the Bradley Lake Expansion Project. Current planning estimates that the expansion could increase annual Bradley Lake energy production by approximately 167,000 MWh, or 40 percent. The Bradley Lake Project participants' respective shares are: Chugach Electric Association, 56.3%; Golden Valley Electric Association, 16.9%; Matanuska Electric Association, 13.8%; Homer Electric Association, 12.0%; and the City of Seward, 1.0%.

In 2021, the Bradley Lake Project Management Committee (BPMC) adopted Resolution No. 21-03 supporting Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (Chugach), on behalf of the BPMC, in submitting an application to AEA under Round 14 of the Renewable Energy Fund (REF) for the Dixon Diversion Feasibility Project. The Dixon Diversion has since been incorporated into the broader Bradley Lake Expansion Project, which also includes the Bradley Lake Pool Raise. Resolution No. 21-03 supported a \$1 million REF grant application and committed \$1 million in BPMC matching funds for feasibility studies needed to advance the project.

AEA subsequently awarded REF Award No. 7014022 for the Dixon Diversion Feasibility Project. The award, together with BPMC matching funds, has supported engineering, hydrologic, geotechnical, environmental, and other feasibility work needed to evaluate and advance the project. Under the March 2023 Memorandum of Agreement between AEA and Chugach, the REF funds were used to reimburse eligible engineering and environmental study costs, thereby reducing expenses that otherwise would have been borne by the utilities participating in the project.

Development of the project has progressed substantially since the original REF application. AEA is now advancing the broader Bradley Lake Expansion Project, which incorporates the Dixon Diversion and Bradley Pool Raise sub-projects, and has filed a Final Amendment Application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to amend the existing Bradley Lake license for the expansion.

PURPOSE OF RESOLUTION

The purpose of this resolution is to demonstrate the BPMC's support for Chugach, on behalf of the BPMC, to submit an application to AEA for additional funding under Round 19 of the Renewable Energy Fund to continue development of the Bradley Lake Expansion Project and to authorize the commitment of BPMC matching funds in support of the application.

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WHEREAS, the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project provides renewable energy to Chugach Electric Association, Inc., Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc., Homer Electric Association, Inc., Matanuska Electric Association, Inc., and the City of Seward;

WHEREAS, the Bradley Lake Expansion Project, including the Dixon Diversion and Bradley Lake Pool Raise components, has the potential to materially increase the renewable energy produced by the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project and reduce the Railbelt's reliance on fossil-fueled generation;

WHEREAS, the Bradley Lake Expansion Project is expected to provide energy and economic benefits to residents and businesses throughout the Railbelt, extending from the Kenai Peninsula through Anchorage and the Matanuska-Susitna Valley to Fairbanks;

WHEREAS, in December 2021, the BPMC adopted Resolution No. 21-03 supporting Chugach's submission, on behalf of the BPMC, of an REF Round 14 application for \$1 million for the Dixon Diversion Feasibility Project and committed \$1 million in BPMC matching funds;

WHEREAS, AEA subsequently awarded REF Award No. 7014022 for the Dixon Diversion Feasibility Project, and AEA and Chugach entered into a Memorandum of Agreement dated March 7, 2023, governing the use of the REF award for project engineering and environmental studies;

WHEREAS, the work undertaken with the prior REF award and BPMC funding has materially advanced the evaluation and development of the Dixon Diversion and the broader Bradley Lake Expansion Project;

WHEREAS, continued engineering, design, environmental, permitting, licensing, geotechnical, and other project-development activities are necessary to further evaluate and advance the Bradley Lake Expansion Project;

WHEREAS, obtaining additional REF funding would reduce project-development costs otherwise borne by the participating Railbelt utilities and their customers and support the continued advancement of a renewable energy resource that benefits communities throughout the Railbelt;

WHEREAS, the BPMC believes the Bradley Lake Expansion Project is well suited for consideration for additional funding through AEA's Renewable Energy Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

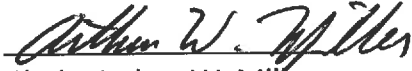
1. The BPMC supports Chugach Electric Association, Inc., acting on behalf of the BPMC, in preparing and submitting an application to the Alaska Energy Authority under Renewable Energy Fund Round 19 requesting \$1,000,000 for continued development of the Bradley Lake Expansion Project.
2. The BPMC acknowledges that the Round 19 application follows and builds upon the Dixon Diversion Feasibility Project supported by BPMC Resolution No. 21-03 and REF Award No. 7014022 and reflects the project's evolution into the broader Bradley Lake Expansion Project.
3. The BPMC commits up to \$1,000,000 in matching funds toward the proposed REF-funded scope of work in support of the Round 19 application. Any REF grant funds awarded, together with applicable BPMC matching funds, will be used for eligible project-development activities associated with the Bradley Lake Expansion Project, which may include engineering, design, geotechnical investigations, environmental studies, licensing, permitting, project cost refinement, construction administration, and other activities necessary to evaluate and advance the project.
4. Authorization to submit the REF application and commit matching funds does not constitute authorization by the BPMC to construct the Bradley Lake Expansion Project or to incur financing or other material commitments for

construction. Any such future decisions remain subject to separate consideration and approval by the BPMC.

5. Chugach is authorized, on behalf of the BPMC, to complete and submit the REF application, and take such other administrative actions as are reasonably necessary to pursue the grant consistent with this Resolution.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 11th day of September 2026.

BRADLEY LAKE PROJECT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE


Chair, Arthur W. Miller


Secretary, Curtis Thayer