

Federal Budget Priorities

Proposed – 2014-15

- PILT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)
- Funding/Reauthorization of Secure Rural Schools
- EAS (Essential Air Services)
- Homeland Security (local law enforcement support)
- USCG – Petersburg Mooring Station operational continuance
- Hydroelectric Power expansion and certification as “green” or approved alternative energy
- Rural Hospital support to maintain their operations and provide grant funding for capital infrastructure needs.
- No on GMO (genetically modified) products; or at a minimum labeling of such, particularly salmon.
- Stikine Mining in Canada – baseline studies and funds for monitoring the situation and taking action if necessary.
- Issue of ocean acidification
- Sea mammal issue including sea otter and Stellar sea lions
- Continuance of low income housing programs
- Extension of WOTC (Work Opportunity Tax Credit) for “Rural Renewal Communities”.