

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Mining, Land and Water

APPLICATION FOR EASEMENT
AS 38.05.850

ADL# 234814
(to be filled in by State)

Applications that are submitted with unfilled sections or inadequate explanation and/or without application fees, a location figure and/or a completed Division of Mining, Land and Water (DMLW) Environmental Risk Questionnaire will be deemed incomplete. Incomplete applications will be returned without review. See DMLW's current fee regulations (11 AAC 05) and associated Director's Fee Order for applicable non-refundable fee amounts. The filing of an application does not guarantee processing or approval of the requested authorization.

Applicant: Jeremiah Beckett; CTC, Inc. Doing Business As: Cordova Telecom Cooperative, Inc.
Agent: (if applicable; attach record of authorization to represent) Alison Verkade; Pioneer Consulting
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City/State/Zip: Cordova, Alaska 99574

Primary Phone: [REDACTED] Alternate Phone: [REDACTED]
General Location: Central Alaska/Prince William Sound Municipality: See list; Cordova to Seward
Section(s): See attached list Township: _____ Range: _____ Meridian: _____
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Attach a location figure, plan drawing or survey that shows the detailed location of the requested easement in relation to adjoining property boundaries and reference points. All features must be labeled.

Dimensions requested (Complete line 1 for a lineal easement or line 2 for an easement with an irregular shape):

1. Length: (feet) 821688.65 Width: (feet) 30
2. Area: 565.90 Are units in square feet or acres? (check one)

Term requested and rationale: 30 year, consistent with industry standard easement requests

Are you applying for a public or a private easement? (check one) Rationale:

The easement will be used to install and maintain telecom infrastructure for underserved, rural areas.

Development plan summary/specific purpose of easement: (e.g., electric utility, fiber-optic cable, road, bridge, airstrip/airport, driveway, trail, drainage). This information will be used to determine the scope of use of the easement.

Cordova Telecom Cooperative (CTC) requests a public utility easement from the Alaska Department of Natural Resources to support the installation, operation, and maintenance of a subsea fiber optic cable (SFOC). Specifically, the requested easement is for CTC's Fiber Internet Serving Homes in Alaska (FISH in AK) project that will provide broadband internet to rural and underserved coastal communities within Central Alaska via a new high-speed subsea fiber optic telecommunication cable from Cordova to Seward, with branching units in Johnstone and Chenega. The FISH in AK project will install chemically inert submarine cables with maximum diameter of 47 mm along the seafloor, via direct burial or surface lay. The SFOC will be operated and maintained by CTC as a public utility.

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Is this an existing use? Yes No. If yes, explain extent and duration of use to date:


Describe plans for initial construction. Be detailed. Include a list of authorizations for portions of the project that are proposed for construction on adjoining lands, other permitting, and/or third-party non-objections: (Use extra sheets as needed)

Please see attachment for additional detail. CTC is planning two phases for the SFOC spanning two construction seasons (April - October). The first phase of construction includes work outside of marine and estuarine waters and above the high tide line, to construction the terrestrial infrastructure necessary to facilitate the installation of the subsea fiber optic cable in the second phase of the project. The terrestrial portion of the project includes the installation of beach manholes (BMH) at each landing and terrestrial cables connecting the BMHs to cable lay stations. The second phase of the project includes the installation of the submarine cable (maximum diameter of 47 mm), either buried or surface laid depending on water depth and burial feasibility, and connection of the SFOC to the BMHs.

The FISH in AK project is partially funded by a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) ReConnect grants and as part of the funding process, NEPA was completed in 2024, including the completion of federal and state environmental and cultural consultations. CTC is in the process of obtaining all necessary municipal authorizations and permits, including necessary easements and ROWs through municipal and private lands for the initial and second phases of the project. In addition, the FISH in AK project will require an Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit #57.

Anticipated construction timeframe: Phase 1: April to October 2026; Phase 2: April to October 2027

If this authorization is granted, I agree to construct and maintain the authorized improvements in an acceptable manner, and to keep the area in a neat and sanitary condition; to comply with all the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining thereto; and provided further that upon termination of the easement for which application is being made, I agree to remove or relocate the improvements and restore the area without cost to the State and to the satisfaction of DMLW.

Applicant's Signature  Date: 3/4/26

This form must be filled out completely and submitted with the applicable fees. Failure to do so will result in a delay in processing. AS 38.05.035(a) authorizes the director to decide what information is needed to process an application for the sale or use of state land and resources. This information is made a part of the state public land records and becomes public information under AS 40.25.110 and 40.25.120 (unless the information qualifies for confidentiality under AS 38.05.035(a)(8) and confidentiality is requested, AS 43.05.230, or AS 45.48). Public information is open to inspection by you or any member of the public. A person who is the subject of the information may challenge its accuracy or completeness under AS 44.99.310, by giving a written description of the challenged information, the changes needed to correct it, and a name and address where the person can be reached. False statements made in an application for a benefit are punishable under AS 11.56.210.

In submitting this form, the applicant certifies that he or she has not changed the original text of the form or any attached documents provided by the Division. In submitting this form, the applicant agrees with the Department to use "electronic" means to conduct "transactions" (as those terms are used in the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, AS 09.80.010 – AS 09.80.195) that relate to this form and that the Department need not retain the original paper form of this record: the department may retain this record as an electronic record and destroy the original.

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