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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to inform you of my strong opinions on why we need a road to Cold Bay.

To me, it won't only be a road, it will be a way of saving lives, making travel easier, and it could be a joy ride, but overall, it will be a positive addition to our community. When we have our usual high winds here in King Cove, it makes flying or hovering in or out of town easier said than done. There are also many restrictions that do not permit planes or the hovercraft to depart or arrive.

I personally dislike the addition of a hovercraft to our borough, AEB because it has caused too much debt up to today for our borough. It has been a big help when needed, for example, during med-evacs, and just traveling. I've taken the hovercraft ride to Cold Bay many times, and it was nice, I prefer it rather than flying. But, the prices, and money it's spending is tremendous. Also, it has problems with our Northwest winds in the winter, which bring lots of cold. It can't travel in certain temperatures that are too low, and winds that have too high of forces, so it's almost useless in the winter.

On the negative side of having the road, I can understand how people want to protect the environment, and the wildlife. Too many animals are being destroyed for no plausible reason at all. But, if we had the road, everyone here should be concerned, and not go off the road at all, which will destroy the natural habitats of many species that live in the area. In order to save the wildlife and environment, I suggest that people who do go off the road should wise up and discontinue their habit of it. In conclusion, everyone who wants the road, should be respectful the land.

I hope that someday, in the near future, we have the road to Cold Bay.

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