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RE: REAL IDs

Dear Tribal Staff

Starting October 1, 2020, there will be a change in everyone's ability to travel within the United States. Each person traveling on an airline and passing through TSA will be required to provide a form of identification, that is REAL ID approved. Receiving the Alaska REAL ID in the mail, takes approximately a month. Please encourage your tribal members to begin the process now and not to wait until the last minute.

The difference between the current ID and the REAL ID, is black circle with white star in the middle, located on the front top right corner of the ID. That star indicates that you had all the required pieces of identification.

To acquire a REAL ID, everyone will need to provide documents that prove the following:

1. **Their Identify**
   Their legal name and date of birth

2. **Lawful Status**
   A certified copy of their birth certificate
   A certified copy of their marriage license, if they are married

3. **Social Security**
   Proof of their social security number
   The most current W-2 is sufficient enough, if they misplaced their SSN card

4. **Principle Residency – 2 documents required showing physical residence in Alaska**
   This must be a physical address. A piece of mail to their physical address will work. They can also request a letter from one of the local organizations on their letterhead, confirming their physical address. AVCP Tribal Services can issue tribal IDs with both physical and mailing address. See template attached, affidavit of residency-for the local organization to use to provide physical address for tribal members.

There are many ways to provide the necessary documents and we have enclosed a REAL ID checklist from the State of Alaska for your convenience. More information can be found at [http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/](http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/)

Sincerely,

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Nunaput umyualgigutut piñirtuteng-llu, Tegganerput piqciikluki pirpakluki-llu, ayagyuaput-llu ciuligaqcimaaut yuuyarakun.

Our Tribes are united and strong, our Elders are respected and valued, and our youth are guided by Yuyaraq.