Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Unincorporated Communities (AS 37.05.317)

Grant Recipient: Hollis **Federal Tax ID:** 94-3045383

Project Title: **Project Type:** New Construction and Land Acquisition

Hollis - Emergency Heliport and Infrastructure Project

State Funding Requested: $290,000 **House District:** 1 / A

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Land purchase for emergency medevac heliport, future Hollis City Center infrastructure, and restoration and expansion of a Hollis public cemetery.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	$290,000
Funding Already Secured:	($0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	($290,000)
Project Deficit:	$0

Funding Details:

The Hollis Council has $15,000 secured for site preparation work for the cemetery, and has spent $5,000 on site preparation work on a portion of the state land to enable Hollis to use the site for a temporary emergency medevac heliport. Hollis also spent $2,000 for land appraisal. Residents will volunteer their labor, tools and equipment where possible to help satisfy matching funds criteria.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Hollis Community requests funds for the purchase of land for an emergency medevac heliport and future community infrastructure, and for the purchase of cemetery site land. The land parcels are located within Section 4, Township 74 South, Range 84East, Copper River Meridian.

The Hollis Community requests funds to purchase a 5.6 acre land parcel for a modern emergency medevac heliport. The present makeshift medevac heliport, located on state land, is aged and was not originally designed for helicopter landing. The cement pad, which used to serve as flooring, is cracked and has been damaged during winter snow clearing. This heliport is rapidly deteriorating and will soon become unsafe and unusable.

There have been more than 10 successful emergency medevacs from the Hollis emergency heliport over the past two years. Hollis is the only accessible community on Prince of Wales Island during inclement weather when helicopters and other aircraft cannot fly to Klawock, Craig or Thorne Bay. During such inclement weather conditions, the Island communities transport patients to the Hollis emergency heliport for helicopter medevac to Ketchikan. A new Hollis emergency heliport would ensure continued service of Guardian Flight medevac flights to and from Ketchikan, and would also accommodate Coast Guard medevac helicopters from Sitka.

Secondly, the Hollis Community requests $10,000 in funds to purchase a 10 acre cemetery site. The Hollis Council would like to purchase the land to restore the old grave sites and expand the cemetery. Several local and Island residents of advanced age plan to be buried there and will purchase plots as soon as the cemetery is expanded and developed. Burial

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at the Hollis Public Cemetery would be considerably less expensive than shipping a body to another location for burial or cremation. Reference Attachment 2, a conceptual plan of the Hollis Cemetery and Meditation Park.

Thirdly, Hollis requests funds to acquire 7.5 acres of state land contiguous to the 5.6-acre heliport parcel. This land is available for purchase for $10,000 (including survey costs). Acquisition of these 13.1 acres of land by the Hollis Community will afford present and future Hollis generations the opportunity to build needed infrastructure. In addition to the heliport, future construction projects may include a Community Center, library, a Public Works Shop, medical clinic, Visitor's Center, Recreation Center, new boat/harbor, office rental space, foot trails, picnic sites and an RV Park. Currently, Hollis does not own enough land on which to build such infrastructure. The acreage is located immediately across the road from the Hollis School and after being developed, the general area will become the Hollis City Center. Reference Attachment 1, a conceptual development plan.

Ideal land for the medevac heliport project is available for purchase for $270,000. Hollis has been negotiating with the property owner (Alaska Mental Health Trust) over the sale and has paid for a property appraisal. The appraised value of the 5.6 acre parcel is $250,000. The purchase price will include an additional 8 percent ($20,000) - a standard price formula the Trust is mandated to use when selling its properties. The additional 7.5-acre parcel was formerly a replacement parcel for the Trust, but the Trust withdrew the site as a replacement parcel so the Hollis Community could pursue purchasing the land. Reference Attachment 3, appraisal of the 5.6 Trust parcel.

The cemetery site land will be purchased from the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR)under AS 38.05.810, Public and Charitable Use.

Project Timeline:

The Hollis Community Council would like to purchase the parcels of land in 2012 and commence site preparation for the Hollis Emergency Medevac heliport and restoration and expansion of the cemetery in 2013 - 2014.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Hollis Community Council

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? [X] Yes [ ] No

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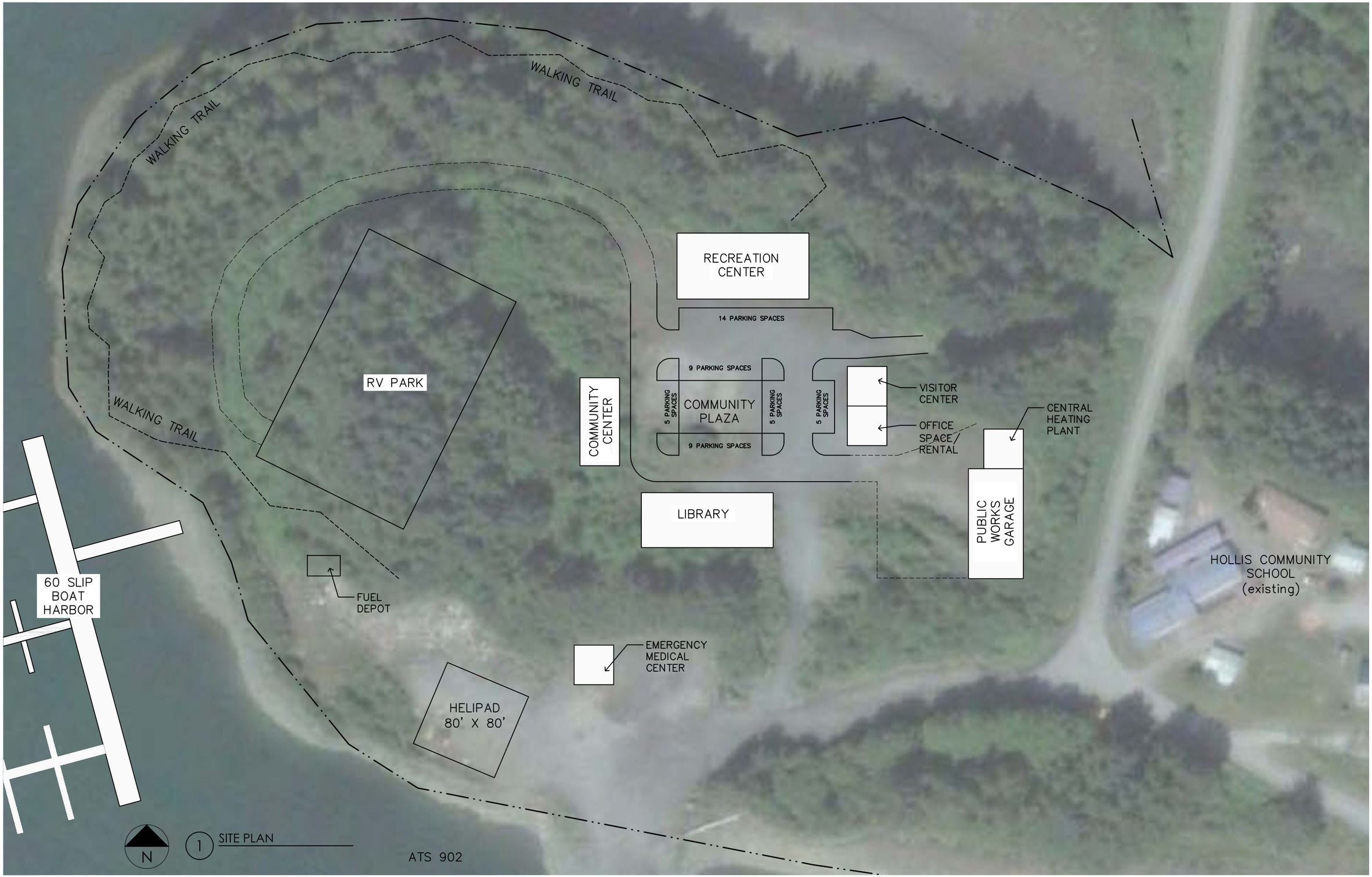
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VISITOR CENTER
OFFICE SPACE/ RENTAL
CENTRAL HEATING PLANT
COMMUNITY CENTER
RV PARK
LIBRARY
PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE
HOLLIS COMMUNITY SCHOOL (existing)
60 SLIP BOAT HARBOR
FUEL DEPOT
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CENTER
HELIPAD 80' X 80'
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1 SITE PLAN
ATS 902

HOLLIS CEMETERY

'GARDEN OF MEMORIES'

January 31, 2012

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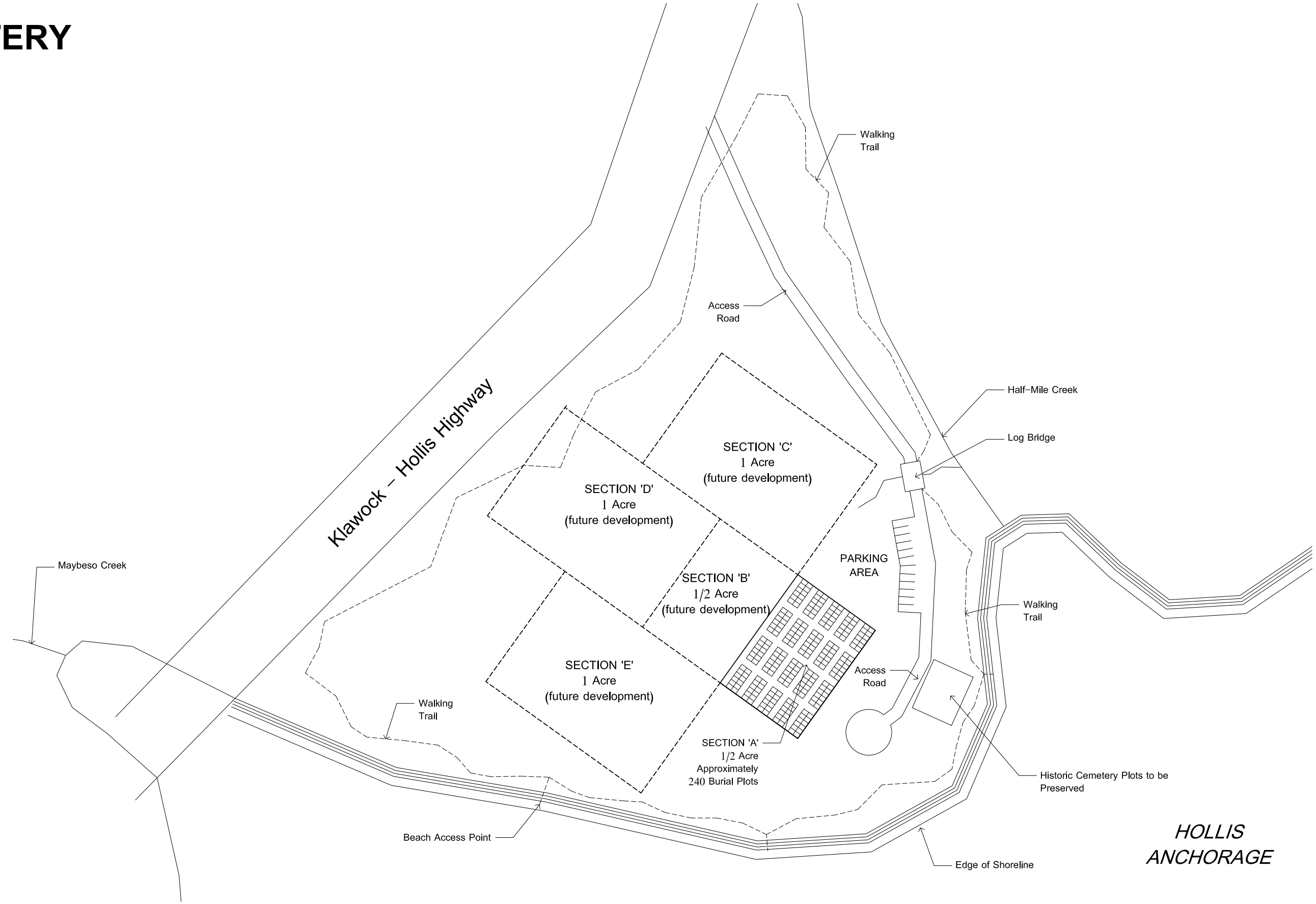

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Site Plan

HOLLIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

P.O. Box 706, Craig, Alaska 99921-0706

HOLLIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION 2011-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOLLIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO APPLY FOR A STATE GRANT TO PURCHASE LAND FROM THE DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND MENTAL HEALTH TRUST AUTHORITY TO BUILD A VIABLE COMMUNITY CITY CENTER INFRASTRUCTURE, AN EMERGENCY MEDEVAC HELIPORT, AND A PUBLIC CEMETERY FOR HOLLIS AND PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, the Community Council is the advisory body of the community of Hollis, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Community Council has discussed purchasing parcels of land with the Department of Natural Resources and Mental Health Trust to build infrastructure for a city center, an emergency medevac heliport, and to build a public cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Purchasing the land is consistent with the community's goal in developing a city center infrastructure and to provide a central area for future construction of community buildings such as a community center, new library, visitor center, public works facility, medical facility, an RV park, and a new emergency medevac heliport; and

WHEREAS, Purchasing land to develop a community infrastructure, an emergency heliport and a cemetery is consistent with the community's goals as expressed in the Hollis Community Strategic Action Plan for fiscal year 2010; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Community Council authorizes the Council President to apply for a State grant and to negotiate land purchases with the Department of Natural Resources and the Mental Health Trust Authority.

PASSED AND APPROVED NOVEMBER 8, 2011.

Budd Burnett

Budd Burnett, President
ATTEST:

Bob Andrews

Bob Andrews, Secretary