

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-07**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
ALASKA OIL AND GAS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Alaska's oil and gas industry directly employs a workforce of more than 20,000 individuals in more than 270 occupations with a payroll of more than \$1.9 billion in 2011; and

WHEREAS, more than 91 percent of revenues paid to the State of Alaska Treasury in 2013 were generated from taxes on the oil and gas industry; and

WHEREAS, recent investments by Alaska's oil and gas industry has sparked development of new fields, increased exploration, and reworking of legacy assets; and

WHEREAS, these investments have increased demand for entry level workers, skilled technicians, and advanced geoscience and engineering professionals; and

WHEREAS, 7,500 oil and gas workers are needed to accommodate standard growth and replacement projections through 2020; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska and the Alaska's oil and gas industry as well as other resource sectors are advancing major projects that will require thousands of additional skilled workers; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Oil and Gas Workforce Development Plan 2014 – 2018 was developed through a collaborative effort of the industry, education and training providers, and state and federal agencies to identify strategies to increase workforce availability and preparedness; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the plan will require ongoing collaboration amongst all stakeholders as well as increased effort to coordinate limited resources; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB) is an industry-driven public organization comprised of representatives from business and industry, education, organized labor, and government; and;

WHEREAS, the AWIB acts as the lead state planning and coordinating entity for state human resource programs involving employment training, career and technical education, and workforce development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the AWIB adopts the Alaska Oil and Gas Workforce Development Plan 2014 – 2018 as a sector development strategy; and

FURTHER, recommends review and coordination by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, the Department of Education and Early Development, the University of Alaska, and other state agencies to ensure alignment of plans, resources, and programs that support full implementation of the action agenda; and

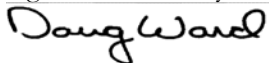
FURTHER, requests that the Industry Steering Committee, education and training providers, and state and federal agencies formalize their efforts to implement the plan through a charter agreement that outlines partners, roles, and timelines; and

FURTHER, requests that the stakeholders report to the AWIB on progress, opportunities, and challenges in implementing the plan.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Alaska Workforce Investment Board held a meeting of the Executive Committee convened this day 14th of May, and the foregoing Resolution was adopted unanimously at said meeting.

Signed this 14th day of May, 2014



Doug Ward, Chair  
Alaska Workforce Investment Board