

Resolution #6: *Pebble Mine*

Submitted by Mt. Edgecumbe HS

Be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments;

Whereas, the proposed Pebble Mine in the Bristol Bay region of Alaska would be the largest open pit mine in North America

Whereas, the Bristol Bay Watershed, where the mine would be located, is home to one of the most prolific fishing areas in the world

Whereas, the area reaps more than \$400 million annually from sport fishing, commercial fishing, and other renewable natural resources

Whereas, if the mine were to be implemented, it would create a “1,000 square mile mixing zone”

Whereas, large earthquake-prone earth dams built in the area would hold back waste material posing a threat to leaks

Whereas, 100% of mines similar to the Pebble Mine polluted water during or after their usage

Whereas, damage from chemicals and waste would harm the livelihoods of many Alaskans, particularly Native Alaskans

Whereas, the following Alaskan groups and citizens are opposed to the mine: United States Senator Ted Stevens, the Tribal Village, City, and corporation of New Stuyahok, Koliganek Tribe and Corporation, Nondalton Tribe and City, Dillingham village council, Kakhanok village council, the Tribal Village, City, and Native Corporation, Alaska Wilderness Recreation and Tourism Association, and more.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that AASG opposes the proposed Pebble Mine.