



Memo from the Borough Clerk

Date: February 7, 2024
To: Haines Borough Assembly and Mayor
From: Alekka Fullerton
Re: 2020 Census

In January, I contacted the Census Bureau regarding our timely filed 2020 Census Count Question Resolution operation (CQR) challenge since I had not heard any results from the challenge.

The Census challenge was not taken lightly and represented many hours of work by me, Planner Conrad and our GIS Advisor, Gary Greenberg. We were very convinced our position was compelling. Apparently the Census Question committee agreed that we validly pointed out mistakes in the Census but that the mistakes found did not change the population determination.

Apparently, they sent the attached email only to the former Mayor (dolerud@haines.ak.us) at the end of last November (even though we asked them to correspond with the Clerk). That letter provided that *"Our research found errors within the legal boundaries of your governmental unit, and we have made the corrections; however, the corrections did not change the counts for your total housing and population, so there is no change to your official 2020 Census counts."*

The State of Alaska determined (*information provided in the census challenge)

- *2020 population was 2,516
- *2021 population was 2,520
- *2022 population was 2,614
- 2023 population was 2,530

If the assembly would like to challenge the State of Alaska 2023 population determination, a challenge must be submitted by April 2, 2024 (attached).

From: [DCMD 2020 CQR Submissions](#)
To: [Alekka Fullerton](#)
Subject: Fw: 2020 Census CQR Determination Letter
Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 10:50:53 AM
Attachments: [2020CQR-L05_Haines_CO02100_A.pdf](#)

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Hello,

Thank you for your email. The determination letter is attached as part of this forwarded message from when we closed the case. We are hoping to have the detailed errata posted to our website next month.

Please let us know if you have any further questions,

- Bob

2020 Census CQR Staff

U.S. Census Bureau

Email: dcmd.2020.cqr.submissions@census.gov

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From: DCMD 2020 CQR Submissions
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2023 8:15 AM
To: dolerud@haines.ak.us <dolerud@haines.ak.us>
Cc: liz.brooks@alaska.gov (CENSUS/ OTHER) <liz.brooks@alaska.gov>; david.howell@alaska.gov <david.howell@alaska.gov>; DIR Redistricting Data Office (CENSUS/DIR) <dir.redistricting.data.office@census.gov>
Subject: 2020 Census CQR Determination Letter

Dear Mayor Olerud,

Thank you for your submission to the 2020 Census Count Question Resolution operation (CQR). Please see the attached official determination letter for 2020 Census CQR Case Number CO02100_A.

We will be updating your case status as "Complete" in the Check Case Status list this afternoon on our website: <<https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial/2020/program-management/cqr/cqr-cases-received.pdf>>.

Please contact us if you have questions by email at dmcd.2020.cqr.submissions@census.gov.

Sincerely,
Bob Nowak

2020 Census CQR Staff

U.S. Census Bureau

Email: dmcd.2020.cqr.submissions@census.gov

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. Census Bureau
Washington, DC 20233-0001

Haines Borough
CO02100

November 27, 2023

The Honorable Douglas Olerud
Mayor
PO Box 1209
Haines, AK 99827

RE: 2020 Census CQR Case Number CO02100_A

Dear Mayor Olerud:

Thank you for your submission to the 2020 Census Count Question Resolution operation (CQR). This letter serves as the official determination for your submission.

We reviewed the documentation you provided in conjunction with official 2020 Census records as part of our research to resolve your questions. Our research found errors within the legal boundaries of your governmental unit, and we have made the corrections; however, the corrections did not change the counts for your total housing and population, so there is no change to your official 2020 Census counts. The revised housing counts by block, introduced by the correction(s), will be available in the coming months in the errata document located on www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/decade/2020/planning-management/evaluate/cqr.html.

Thank you for sharing your concerns, and for your efforts to ensure that the 2020 Census counts are accurate. If you have questions, please contact the CQR Help Desk by email at dcmd.2020.cqr.submissions@census.gov. Please cite your 2020 Census CQR case number in your communication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Deborah M. Stempowski", is positioned above the typed name.

Deborah M. Stempowski
Associate Director for
Decennial Census Programs



THE STATE
of **ALASKA**
GOVERNOR MIKE DUNLEAVY

Department of Commerce, Community,
and Economic Development

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS
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**HAINES BOROUGH
CLERK'S OFFICE**

January 16, 2024

Annette Kreitzer, Manager
Haines Borough
P.O. Box 1209
Haines, AK 99827

SUBJECT: Population Determination for FY2025 DCCED Financial Assistance Programs

Dear Ms. Kreitzer:

Pursuant to 3 AAC 180.050(d), the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development annually certifies the population of each municipality, community, and reserve in the State of Alaska for use in various financial assistance programs based upon population determinations made pursuant to 3 AAC 180.030. For the **Haines Borough** the following population will be used for all FY25 programs the department administers.

The population of Haines Borough has been determined to be 2530

If you do not agree with the population determination, you may request a population adjustment by submitting a written request and substantiate the request by completing either of the two approved methods: Head Count Census Method or Housing Unit Method. The request must include a resolution from the governing body proposing a corrected population total.

If you choose to request a population adjustment, please review the Head Count Census and Housing Unit Method manuals the department has published to assist you with this process. These manuals are available at <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/dcra/MappingAnalyticsandDataResources/PopulationAdjustment.aspx> or you may also contact the department for a copy of the manuals.

The request for adjustment and completed census documentation must be postmarked no later than April 3, 2024, and submitted to:

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
Division of Community and Regional Affairs
Attn: Grace Beaujean
550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 1640
Anchorage, AK 99501

Please refer to 3 AAC 180.040 for requirements governing requests for adjustments to population determinations.

For additional information, please contact Grace Beaujean, Research Analyst 4, at 907.269.4521 or DCRARResearchAndAnalysis@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra Moller', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Sandra Moller
Director

cc: Division of Community and Regional Affairs, Research and Analysis Section
Division of Community and Regional Affairs, Grant & Funding Section