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DEPARTMENT OF THE ALASKA

Dear Commissioner Skoog:

I have been following the Susitna Dam project and am interested in learning more about your Department's views on the proposed project. Since ADF & G has exhibited much interest in the area surrounding the proposed dam, your views will be especially useful to those evaluating the proposed project. In particular, I would like to find out:

1. How ADF & G plans to cooperate with the Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and the Alaska Power Authority in coordinating studies to be done, and goals to be accomplished during the feasibility study.
2. What sorts of studies are needed before the feasibility of the dam, from the viewpoint of its effects on fish and wildlife, can be determined.
 - a. How much time will be needed to complete the studies. This time estimate should include study planning and analysis.
 - b. How much money will be required to conduct the studies. If possible this should be broken down into dollar amounts needed for each year of study.
3. In light of past studies conducted in the area, what is the Department's current view regarding potential impacts of the proposed project, on fish and wildlife in the area?

I would also appreciate receiving any copies of ADF & G reports relevant to the proposed project.

Thank you for your help. I look forward to receiving your reply in the near future.

Sincerely yours,