1	EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILI	TRUSTEE COUNCIL		
2	Friday, May 14, 2004	- 8:30 o'clock a.m.		
3	EVOS Office			
4	TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:	:		
5	STATE OF ALASKA -	MR. CRAIG TILLERY for		
6	DEPARTMENT OF LAW:	MR. GREGG RENKES		
7		Attorney General - SOA		
8	TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT	TELEPHONICALLY:		
9	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR:	MS. DRUE PEARCE		
10	(CHAIR)	Senior Advisor to the		
11		Secretary for Alaskan		
12		Affairs, DOI		
13	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,	MR. JAMES W. BALSIGER		
14	National Marine Fisheries Svc:	Administrator, AK Region		
15	STATE OF ALASKA - DEPARTMENT	MR. KEVIN DUFFY		
16	OF FISH AND GAME:	Commissioner		
17	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,	MS. MARIA LISOWSKI for		
18	U.S. FOREST SERVICE	MR. JOE MEADE		
19		Forest Supervisor		
20	STATE OF ALASKA - DEPARTMENT	MR. KURT FREDIKSSON for		
21	OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION:	MS. ERNESTA BALLARD		
22		Commissioner		
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	1.	TRUS	STEE COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT:	
:	2	DR.	PHIL MUNDY	Science Director
	3	MS.	CHERRI WOMAC	Administrative Assistant
	4	MS.	PAULA BANKS	Administrative Assistant
	5	MS.	BRENDA RAMOS	Administrative Assistant
	6	MS.	GINA BELT	Department of Justice
,	7	MS.	DEDE BOHN	U.S. Geological Service
	8	MR.	BRETT HUBER	ADF&G
:	9	TRUS	STEE COUNCIL STAFF PRESENT T	ELEPHONICALLY:
	10	MS.	GAIL PHILLIPS	Executive Director
	11	MR.	PETER HAGEN	NOAA
	12	MR.	MICHAEL BAFFREY	Department of Interior
:	13	MR.	STEVE ZEMKE	U.S. Forest Service
	14	MR.	DAVE IRONS	U.S. Geological Service
	15	MR.	RON KLEIN	AK Department Environmental
	16			Conservation
	17	MR.	LARRY DIETRICK	AK Department Environmental

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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (On record 8:34 a.m.)
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I will call the Exxon
- 4 Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council meeting to order. It's
- 5 May 14th, 2004 and we've already gone through who is here.
- 6 First is the approval of the agenda. And it's my
- 7 understanding that all of the Trustees are on line; is that
- 8 correct, Gail?
- 9 MS. PHILLIPS: Either all the Trustees or
- 10 their representatives, yes.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: But we don't have
- 12 anybody there in Anchorage at the office?
- MS. WOMAC: Just Craig.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Craig. Oh, okay.
- 15 Fine, then I would ask for a motion to approve the agenda.
- 16 MR. DUFFY: This is Kevin, I move to
- 17 approve the agenda.
- 18 MS. PHILLIPS: Madam Chainman, before the
- 19 agenda is approved, I would like to request one change in
- 20 the agenda and that is the issue of the number 5,
- 21 Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee member.
- 22 Dr. Gerster is the Chairman of the nomination committee,
- 23 he's on call today, and if we could take up that order of
- 24 business first, then he will be able to stay with us until
- 25 that is through.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Duffy, would you
- 2 please move the adoption of the agenda with that change?
- 3 MR. DUFFY: Moved as suggested by the
- 4 Executive Director.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there a second?
- 6 MS. LISOWSKI: Second.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is anyone opposed?
- 8 (No audible response)
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The agenda is adopted.
- 10 Gail, do you want to go to that before we do public
- 11 comment?
- 12 MS. PHILLIPS: We can take -- it doesn't
- 13 sound like there's anybody -- that there are many people in
- 14 the public that want to make comment, so why don't we go
- 15 ahead and take that first.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Then we'll open
- 17 the public comment. Since I can't see who's there in the
- 18 room, is there anyone there at the Trustee Council offices
- 19 in Anchorage who would like to comment?
- MS. WOMAC: There is no one here.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Is there anyone
- 22 on line who would like to give public comment to the
- 23 Trustee Council?
- 24 (No audible response)
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Hearing none, we will

- 1 close the public comment at this time. If we hear the beep
- 2 that means someone else has come on line, we will double
- 3 check and provide an opportunity since most people will
- 4 probably be shocked that we're nearly on time.
- 5 That would take us then to number 5 on the
- 6 agenda, the discussion and approval of the STAC member.
- 7 Dr. Bill Seitz, USGS, is once again saying he's going to
- 8 retire, he's telling us this time it's real and so we had
- 9 an opening on the STAC and the nominating committee has
- 10 come forward with recommendations.
- 11 Gail, do you want to just give this to
- 12 Dr. Gerster or do you have any comments?
- 13 MS. PHILLIPS: I would like to turn it over
- 14 to Dr. Gerster, first.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Gerster.
- DR. GERSTER: Thank you very much, Gail and
- 17 Drue. I'm Chair of the STAC Nominating Committee and we
- 18 met on May 4th to consider nomination for the STAC vacancy.
- 19 Gail, I believe you passed out packets, a memorandum from
- 20 our committee, and resumes from those we recommended.
- MS. PHILLIPS: That is correct.
- DR. GERSTER: The STAC Committee received
- 23 12 resumes to consider, of which one was recused, because
- 24 he is interested in applying for a grant and he removed
- 25 himself from consideration. In the EVOS documents program

- 1 process for providing scientific and technical advice and
- 2 peer review the STAC Nominating Committee may suggest names
- 3 of persons not nominated if there are gaps in desired
- 4 expertise among the nominees provided to us. I think I
- 5 quoted that right.
- 6 Our committee found all nominees to be
- 7 qualified and so we did not see it necessary to search for
- 8 additional candidates. We reviewed the resumes, I called
- 9 references and read selected publications on the Internet.
- 10 Our panel also carefully considered all the qualifications
- 11 of the nominated applicants.
- 12 My first choice, which was first suggested
- 13 by Brett, was Dr. Holland-Bartels, who is Director of the
- 14 Upper-MidWest Environmental Sciences Center, which is a
- 15 USGS program in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. It was interesting to
- 16 all of us that the rest of the panel had independently come
- 17 to the same conclusion and the vote was unanimous.
- 18 Dr. Holland-Bartels has supervised a budget of 60 million
- 19 dollars annually and worked extensively with State and
- 20 Federal agencies.
- 21 We were particularly intrigued with her
- 22 experience in large river science, invasive species and
- 23 monitoring programs, which our panel felt were high
- 24 priority items in the GEM Program. She also has a
- 25 particular interest in Alaska and has served on the faculty

- 1 of UAF and has a number of excellent peer reviewed
- 2 publications.
- 3 So, in summary, we believe she would bring
- 4 considerable expertise back to benefit Alaska, so our panel
- 5 nominates Dr. Holland-Bartels to the STAC.
- 6 However, the STAC Nominating Committee can
- 7 also forward names of alternates for Trustee approval. And
- 8 our panel felt that two other candidates stood out and
- 9 their expertise should not be ignored, but put to good use.
- 10 And alternate could stand in for a member of the STAC who
- 11 is not available at a particular time or could serve as a
- 12 resource that a STAC member could call up and ask for a
- 13 second opinion.
- We were intrigued with Dr. Bill Streever,
- 15 who is the Environmental Studies Leader for BP Alaska. He
- 16 serves on the National Technical Review Committee which
- 17 advises the Federal government on the 14 billion dollar
- 18 massive rehabilitation of Coastal Louisiana. And he's
- 19 written a number of publications on that and he's editor
- 20 and chief of Wetlands Ecology and Management.
- 21 Dr. Douglas Segar is one of the senior
- 22 oceanographers with an impressive resume, which you have
- 23 attached, and he's written the definitive undergraduate
- 24 textbook in oceanography. And we feel that the STAC should
- 25 be able to call upon his expertise.

- 1 And so, in summary, the nominating
- 2 committee strongly recommends Dr. Holland-Bartels as the
- 3 permanent member of the STAC and that the Trustees approve
- 4 these two alternates as well.
- 5 Any comments or questions?
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you, Dr. Gerster.
- 7 I would just add that earlier this week Dr. Holland-Bartels
- 8 was offered and has accepted the position to replace Bill
- 9 Seitz at USGS-Alaska, so she will be coming back and so
- 10 this is kind of -- I don't know that there's such a thing
- 11 as a perfect replacement for Bill Seitz, but certainly this
- 12 will provide continuity.
- DR. GERSTER: And we did not know that at
- 14 the time of our consideration and that was one of our
- 15 questions and that solves all of our problems.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Are there other
- 17 questions for Dr. Gerster?
- 18 MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- 20 MR. TILLERY: One question. The procedures
- 21 mandate that the person to fill a vacancy be selected from
- 22 among the alternates, can someone confirm that at this
- 23 point in time there are no alternates?
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Oh.
- DR. GERSTER: It was the recommendation of

- 1 our committee that we have three applicants that we provide
- 2 and our preferential choice was Dr. Holland-Bartels and we
- 3 provided to other alternates and that we would like to see
- 4 those alternates used as their expertise and not be
- 5 casually tossed aside and never seen again.
- 6 MS. PHILLIPS: Plus Bill Seitz' term was up
- 7 now, so that seat was open.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: But I'm not sure that
- 9 that's the question, the question was did we have
- 10 alternates to Bill that we were supposed to choose from; is
- 11 that the question?
- 12 MR. TILLERY: Yeah, that's the question.
- 13 The procedures say if there is a vacancy in midterm then
- 14 you select from among the existing alternates, so my
- 15 question is, can someone simply confirm that right now we
- 16 have no alternates from who to select?
- 17 MS. PHILLIPS: This appointment is not
- 18 midterm, his term was up.
- 19 MR. TILLERY: Oh, I thought it was.....
- DR. GERSTER: It was a two-year term.
- 21 MR. TILLERY: That says resignation on the
- 22 memo, I thought that was.....
- DR. MUNDY: He did resign, but in the time
- 24 period the -- Madam Chair, if I may? This is Phil Mundy.
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes, please go ahead,

- 1 Phil. Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Both statements are correct,
- 3 Dr. Seitz did resign, however, during the time period we
- 4 were deliberating over choosing a successor his term
- 5 expired.
- 6 MR. TILLERY: That sounds.....
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: That was handy.
- 8 MR. TILLERY: Yeah, that works.
- 9 DR. MUNDY: And I might also clarify that
- 10 it's my understanding that the alternates that have been
- 11 selected in the past have withdrawn, they have changed
- 12 jobs, circumstances and no longer wish to be considered at
- 13 this time or unabled to be considered at this time.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you, Dr. Mundy.
- 15 Are there other questions from other Trustees?
- 16 MR. FREDIKSSON: Gail, this is Kurt
- 17 Frediksson with Environmental Conversation, just for the
- 18 sake of clarity. So at this point there really are --
- 19 there is not an active list of alternates, and as
- 20 recommended by the group here, we have Mr. Segar and
- 21 Mr. Streever nominated for that purpose?
- MS. PHILLIPS: That is correct.
- DR. GERSTER: That is correct.
- MR. FREDIKSSON: Okay.
- 25 MR. BALSIGER: Madam Chair, this is Jim

- 1 Balsiger.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes, Dr. Balsiger.
- 3 MR. BALSIGER: These two alternates that
- 4 are not alternates to Holland-Bartels but alternate for the
- 5 whole committee? In other words, are there alternates for
- 6 each of the members of the STAC or they the two alternates
- 7 that are alternates to the entire STAC?
- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- 10 DR. MUNDY: This is Phil Mundy speaking
- 11 again.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy, please go
- 13 ahead.
- DR. MUNDY: Yes. We don't have seats, per
- 15 se, on the STAC, all the members are equal and, therefore,
- 16 these alternates could be selected for any vacancy.
- 17 MR. BALSIGER: Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Any other questions
- 19 from Trustees?
- 20 (No audible response)
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. I have a
- 22 question. What does being an alternates consist of in
- 23 terms of contractual arrangements with the Council, do we
- 24 sign something with them? I note that the draft motion
- 25 talks about contracts.

- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, this if Phil
- 2 Mundy, if I may?
- 3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Yes, we have printed for you in
- 5 your binder, on the back, and it's labeled at the top of it
- 6 inside the tab, Appendix C, Scope of Services. This is an
- 7 example of the kind of a contract that an eligible STAC
- 8 member would have with the Committee. Now, obviously,
- 9 government employees are not eligible for this, Holland-
- 10 Bartels being a government employee, a Federal employee,
- 11 would not be eligible for this, but this is, in essence,
- 12 one through six, a list of the duties that the STAC member
- 13 would have to go through.
- 14 It's my understanding that we have only an
- 15 informal arrangement with alternates, we'll send them a
- 16 letter and inform them that they are alternates, ask them
- 17 if that's acceptable to them and if they're willing to be
- 18 considered alternates and to be called on in the future.
- 19 But I don't -- to my knowledge, I don't believe we ever had
- 20 a contract with an alternate.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. That answers my
- 22 question. Are there any further questions?
- 23 (No audible response)
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The draft motion does
- 25 not, I don't believe, list who the alternates are; is it

- 1 drafted that way because we think we need two separate
- 2 motions, Gail?
- 3 MS. PHILLIPS: Yes, Drue.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay.
- 5 MS. PHILLIPS: The second one can be
- 6 virtually the same, just to accept the two names as the
- 7 alternates, if that's what the Trustee Council would
- 8 prefer.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Is there a
- 10 motion on the actual appointment of Dr. Holland-Bartels and
- 11 the reappointment of Brenda Norcross and Tom Royer?
- 12 MR. BALSIGER: Madam Chair, this is Jim
- 13 Balsiger.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Balsiger.
- MR. BALSIGER: I would move that we
- 16 nominate Leslie Holland-Bartels to the STAC and reappoint
- 17 Dr. Brenda Norcross and Dr. Tom Royer to another term.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Second.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. We have a motion
- 20 and a second. Is there discussion?
- 21 (No audible response)
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Because this is a
- 23 formal appointment and because we are on line, Gail, would
- 24 you or, Cherri, would you just call the roll, please? I'd
- 25 like to have it recorded.

- 1 MS. PHILLIPS: Cherri, would you please do
- 2 so?
- 3 MS. WOMAC: Jim Balsiger.
- 4 MR. BALSIGER: Yes.
- 5 MS. WOMAC: Kevin Duffy.
- 6 MR. DUFFY: Yes.
- 7 MS. WOMAC: Drue Pearce.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- 9 MS. WOMAC: Maria.
- 10 MS. LISOWSKI: Yes.
- 11 MS. WOMAC: Craig.
- MR. TILLERY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: And Kurt.
- MR. FREDIKSSON: Yes.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay, unanimous, 6-0.
- 16 And do we have a motion on the appointment of the two
- 17 alternates?
- 18 MR. DUFFY: This is Kevin, I'll take a shot
- 19 at it. I'd move to appoint as alternates Dr. Bill Streever
- 20 and Dr. Douglas Segar.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there a second?
- MR. BALSIGER: I second.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a motion and a
- 24 second; is there discussion?
- 25 (No audible response)

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Are we ready for the
- 2 question?
- 3 (No audible response)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Cherri, would you
- 5 please call the roll again?
- 6 MS. WOMAC: Jim Balsiger.
- 7 MR. BALSIGER: Yes.
- 8 MS. WOMAC: Kevin.
- 9 MR. DUFFY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Drue.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Maria.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Craig.
- MR. TILLERY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Kurt.
- 17 MR. FREDIKSSON: Yeah.
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Gerster, do you
- 19 have any other comments?
- DR. GERSTER: I really don't. I think this
- 21 is a good outcome.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Thank you very
- 23 much.
- 24 That would take us back to item three,
- 25 which is the -- well, let me ask again, has anyone arrived

- 1 at the Trustee Council offices in Anchorage who wanted to
- 2 participate in public comment?
- 3 MS. WOMAC: No.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there anyone on line
- 5 who has arrived since we've been underway who wanted to
- 6 make a public comment?
- 7 (No audible response)
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Hearing none, we'll go
- 9 to item three, the Executive Director's report.
- 10 Ms. Phillips.
- DR. GERSTER: Madam Chair, this is
- 12 Dr. Gerster, may I sign off?
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: You may. Go save
- 14 lives.
- DR. GERSTER: Okay. Thank you very much.
- MS. PHILLIPS: Thanks, John, for your work.
- DR. GERSTER: Okay, you're welcome.
- 18 MS. PHILLIPS: Executive Director's report,
- 19 May 3rd community involvement teleconference. During the
- 20 time of the teleconference, during the discussion of the
- 21 teleconference the Trustees that were on line decided that
- 22 they needed to have more time to make a determination as to
- 23 what they wanted to see out of community involvement for
- 24 the Trustees. So we ended the meeting at that time and we
- 25 will put more work together and get together with the

- 1 Trustees before we proceed with more public meetings on it.
- 2 It's still in the forefront, but we just need to have some
- 3 clarification before we proceed.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Are you
- 5 expecting to have -- that we'll have an opportunity,
- 6 perhaps next week, while people are actually there to have
- 7 additional discussions or are you expecting it to go beyond
- 8 the May 19th meeting?
- 9 MS. PHILLIPS: I would really like for it
- 10 to be at that meeting if at all possible.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay, good.
- 12 MS. PHILLIPS: Okay. And then on May 19th
- ·13 meeting, which will be a joint meeting, it will be a
- 14 Trustee meeting, but with PAC Committee invited. We do
- 15 have quite a few members of the PAC that are going to be
- 16 there. I think we've got a good agenda put together and
- 17 they will be a great deal of discussion during that time
- 18 and I'm really pleased that we have the opportunity, also,
- 19 to bring back the community involvement part.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And just for
- 21 clarification, does that meeting begin at nine or at 9:30?
- 22 MS. WOMAC: 9:30.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Thank you.
- 24 MS. PHILLIPS: And that's all I have for
- 25 right now.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Any questions to
- 2 the Executive Director from Council Members?
- 3 (No audible response)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Hearing none, let's to
- 5 go to the fiscal year '04 year Work Plan and the Kachemak
- 6 Bay mapping project. Is that Dr. Mundy, I assume?
- 7 MS. PHILLIPS: That will be and Dr. Mundy
- 8 has been working on this with Brett Huber and PI and he
- 9 will explain it to you. My recommendation is to fund his
- 10 request.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair.
- 13 This proposal from Kachemak Bay Research Reserve, Alaska
- 14 Department of Fish and Game, is for a small amount of
- 15 additional funding which is being matched with funds from
- 16 Alaska Department of Fish and Game for the purpose of
- 17 completing this important project. I've been following
- 18 this project since its inception two years ago this month
- 19 and we're attempting to get a very detailed record of
- 20 shoreline resources, much more detailed than any existing
- 21 record, using this particular project. This is certainly
- 22 justified from a number of different standpoints and has
- 23 been through the peer review process in the past. So this
- 24 is just an extra small amount of money for project
- 25 completion.

- 1 I'm going to turn it over, with your
- 2 permission, Madam Chair, to Brett Huber who will explain
- 3 the circumstances behind this request.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Mr. Huber.
- 5 MR. HUBER: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 6 Trustee Council members, you have the backup in your binder
- 7 that includes a memo from myself to Executive Director
- 8 Phillips, as well as a cover letter from the PI at Kachemak
- 9 Bay Research Reserve and then the proposal and budget.
- 10 This project began with Project 02-0556 and then it was
- 11 continued in 03-0556. Basically the circumstances that
- 12 surround this additional request, about 80 percent of the
- 13 work has actually been done. The database has been build,
- 14 it's been populated with about 80 percent of the data and
- 15 the Trustee Council has received that database with the 80
- 16 percent of the data, as well as a draft final report on
- 17 those two projects.
- 18 However, the lead PI on this project,
- 19 Dr. Schoch, left KBRR and went to a new position in OSRI
- 20 and during that transition some of the specific expertise
- 21 he had for the protocols he was employing moved with him.
- 22 So we kind of undertook at the Department of Fish and Game
- 23 a project to figure out where we're at and what it would
- 24 take to complete this. The request you have before you is
- 25 the result of that.

- 1 We identified \$15,000 of funds within KBRR,
- 2 there's also some marshlands that will be mapped that are
- 3 being done under a separate grant, but this will allow this
- 4 project to be completed this summer and, basically, bring a
- 5 project that began in '02 to final completion, with the
- 6 product then that will aid in the shoreline information
- 7 that will establish or develop the shoreline or the
- 8 nearshore monitoring protocols.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you. Are there
- 10 questions by Council members?
- 11 (No audible response)
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: If not, do we have a
- 13 motion?
- 14 MR. DUFFY: Drue, this is Kevin, I would
- 15 move to approve the project titled High Resolution Mapping
- 16 of the Intertidal and Shallow Subtidal Shores of Kachemak
- 17 Bay as an addition to the FYO4 Work Plan and request the
- 18 Department of Law and the Assistant Attorney General and
- 19 the Environmental and Natural Resources Division of the
- 20 Department of Justice to take such steps as may be
- 21 necessary to make available for this project the amount of
- 22 \$15,000 from the appropriate account designated by the
- 23 Executive Director.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Do we have a second?
- MS. LISOWSKI: Second.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there discussion?
- 2 MR. BALSIGER: This is Jim Balsiger, just
- 3 clarification question, I guess, if I could?
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Balsiger.
- 5 MR. BALSIGER: So, Mr. Duffy, this brings
- 6 -- just for perspective, the total funding for this project
- 7 then is roughly on the order of \$105,000, so is that the
- 8 way we'd look at this? Or maybe it's a 120,000 because of
- 9 the matching. I'm just looking to see how much we're
- 10 augmenting it to finish it.
- 11 MR. DUFFY: I think, Jim, and I would like
- 12 either Phil or Brett to correct me if I'm wrong, I think
- 13 the augment from the Council is an additional 15,000, which
- 14 is matched by the Kachemak Bay Research Reserve. All
- 15 funding resources combined it's a total augmentation of
- 16 30,000 or 15,000 of Trustee Council funds under this.
- 17 Do I have that right?
- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, this if Phil
- 19 Mundy.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Brett Huber has the figures on
- 22 this.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Huber.
- MR. HUBER: Mr. Balsiger, you're correct in
- 25 that EVOS funding was 62,200 for the FY02 project, 33.6 for

- 1 the '03 project and this is a request of \$15,000. The
- 2 \$15,000 match identified for this phase was not the only
- 3 matching money or other dollars brought to the project
- 4 previously. There was a substantial match in both the '02
- 5 and '03 phase as well. But you're correct in that total of
- 6 that being EVOS Council assistance over time for this
- 7 project.
- 8 MR. BALSIGER: Thank you very much. With
- 9 that explanation, I'd be prepared to support this.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you. We're still
- 11 under discussion. Commission Duffy.
- MR. DUFFY: Yes.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Does the Department of
- 14 Fish and Game have excess receipt authority to receive this
- 15 money or will you have to go to LBNA? And the second half
- 16 of that question is, when will the money actually be
- 17 expended on the project; is that a this season project?
- 18 MR. DUFFY: Two questions. First one, I
- 19 believe we probably have -- all receipt authority combined
- 20 is for the Department, we probably have adequate receipt
- 21 authority already for this and it wouldn't require going
- 22 back to LBNA, but I'll double check that.
- 23 And in terms of the project, as soon as we
- 24 can get the project approval documents completed we would
- 25 move forward on this, that's my understanding.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Thank you. Any
- 2 other comments?
- 3 (No audible response)
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a motion, we
- 5 have a second, if there's no further discussion, Cherri,
- 6 would you call the roll again, please?
- 7 MS. WOMAC: Yes. Jim Balsiger.
- 8 MR. BALSIGER: Yes.
- 9 MS. WOMAC: Kevin Duffy.
- MR. DUFFY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Drue Pearce.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Maria Lisowski.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Craig Tillery.
- MR. TILLERY: Yes.
- 17 MS. WOMAC: Kurt Frediksson.
- 18 MR. FREDIKSSON: Yes.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The motion carries 6-0.
- 20 Go get your paperwork, Kevin.
- 21 Okay. That brings us to item four, which
- 22 is the fiscal year '04 Work Plan-Phase III, Lingering Oil
- 23 Projects. And, Madam Executive Director or Dr. Mundy,
- 24 whomever wants to speak, go ahead, please.
- MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- 2 MR. TILLERY: This is Craig Tillery.
- 3 Because this stuff is arising out of some money that was
- 4 allocated, sort of, through the Department of Law last
- 5 time, it might be appropriate for me to give some
- 6 background on it.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. That's fine
- 8 then.
- 9 MR. TILLERY: Okay. At the Trustee Council
- 10 meeting back in March, the Council approved Dr. Balsiger's
- 11 motion to establish a contingency fund up to a million and
- 12 half dollars, allocated through the Department of Law for
- 13 purposes of funding research to fill in gaps related to
- 14 lingering oil. And the research plan was to be developed
- 15 through the coordinated efforts of the EVOS staff,
- 16 including Science Director, DOJ, NOAA and Integral
- 17 Consulting.
- We met as a group with those entities and
- 19 also Department Fish and Game, Department of Environmental
- 20 Conversation, Forest Service, USGS, Fish and Wildlife
- 21 Service. Went over a number of project related to the
- 22 Council's direction, including those that had been on the,
- 23 sort of, deferred list or midterm list and the Council had
- 24 suggested should be funded if appropriate out of this money
- 25 and came up with a suite of projects totally \$955,750.

- 1 Those projects were then reviewed by
- 2 Dr. Spies and recommended with some suggested changes. For
- 3 the most part those changes have been incorporated. One of
- 4 the projects the changes would require an additional sum to
- 5 be expended of about \$75,000. These projects include work,
- 6 generally, both in FY04 and FY05.
- Now, in addition to these projects, we
- 8 believed that it was very important that there be an
- 9 independent sort of synthesis and analysis of all of these
- 10 studies relating to lingering oil, as well as the recovery
- 11 status of some of the other injured resources, of which
- 12 there remains questions. And that efforts be made to
- 13 identify any potential restoration options if there is
- 14 determined to be an injury that can be addressed.
- 15 And to accomplish this we recommended that
- 16 the Department of Law be asked to contract with Integral
- 17 Consulting. Integral Consulting was the subject of an
- 18 evaluation process by the State, found to be well qualified
- 19 for this task, they are already under contract with the
- 20 Department of Law for similar types of issues and using
- 21 them will increase the efficiency and the quality of the
- 22 project.
- 23 The recommended amount for this project is
- 24 650,000 for FY04 and FY05. The problem is that this amount
- 25 combined with the other monies requested for the field

- 1 studies exceed the one and a half million dollars the
- 2 Council agreed to provide. It would seem to me that the
- 3 Council has two options; the Council can either approve
- 4 somewhat more than the 1.5 million, it would be about 1.6
- 5 something, and the alternative, if the Council wants to
- 6 keep that 1.5 cap, our suggestion would be that the
- 7 difference be taken out of the money allocated for the
- 8 Integral contract. There are at least two actions on that
- 9 contract that really are sort of dependent on whether there
- 10 turns out to be a connected injury and so forth, so it
- 11 could be done that way. Again, my recommendation is that
- 12 the Council just go ahead and slightly exceed the 1.5, but
- 13 if not, rather than cutting the field projects, I suggest
- 14 that the Integral contract be cut.
- 15 At the time the Council did this in March,
- 16 I went back and looked at the transcript and my own
- 17 recollection and I don't think the Council contemplated
- 18 that further approval would be necessary. However, that
- 19 motion did sort of allocate no money to the Department of
- 20 Law, that creates a logistical financial difficultly in
- 21 getting the money quickly enough to Federal agencies so
- 22 that they can use it this field season.
- 23 And, in addition, just to make this more
- 24 consistent with past practices, we felt it would be useful
- 25 once we had identified these projects to come back to the

- 1 Council and seek approval for all of them. So these are
- 2 all -- you should have copies -- or you have copies of all
- 3 of these in your binders and we would ask that the Council
- 4 do the projects as they're described.
- 5 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you, Mr. Tillery.
- 6 Are there questions to Mr. Tillery about the overall
- 7 proposal and then we'll go to questions about individual
- 8 projects. Anything about the overall comments that Craig
- 9 just made?
- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chairman, if I may, this
- 11 is Phil Mundy.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Yes, Mr. Tillery is
- 14 recommending that the overall package be approved as
- 15 provided. Mr. Tillery, does this include the project that
- 16 were reviewed by the Lingering Oil Subcommittee?
- 17 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Tillery.
- 18 MR. TILLERY: I don't know what you mean by
- 19 that.
- 20 DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, I would like to do
- 21 a summary of the proposals, the projects that were reviewed
- 22 by the Lingering Oil Subcommittee and I do have one item
- 23 for the consideration of the Council that would involve an
- 24 increase in the amount of money being recommended for one
- 25 of the projects. So my question concerns -- I would not

- 1 advise the Council to approve the project as proposed, I
- 2 have one minor exception I would like the Council to
- 3 consider.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Let me make sure
- 5 I know, Dr. Mundy, what you mean. What I'm looking at is
- 6 the Draft Resolution 04-07 regarding the Work Plan Phase
- 7 III and on that there are five numbered project plus a
- 8 contractual arrangement with Integral Consulting. And
- 9 you're saying that you have a technical change or a minor
- 10 change to one of the five; is that correct?
- DR. MUNDY: Yes, that's correct, a minor
- 12 technical change that would involve a small increment of
- 13 money to address.
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. If you don't
- 15 mine deferring, Dr. Mundy, just for a moment. Let me go
- 16 back and ask were there are any question by any of the
- 17 Trustees on the overall comments that Mr. Tillery had?
- 18 MR. BALSIGER: Madam Chair, it's Jim
- 19 Balsiger.
- 20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Balsiger.
- 21 MR. BALSIGER: Thank you, Madam Chair. I
- 22 made this motion, as Mr. Tillery said, at the last meeting
- 23 and part of that was to transfer the -- speaking inexactly
- 24 I'm sure, but was to transfer the funds to the Department
- 25 of Law. And I thought that was upon the advice -- that

- 1 wording was part of the advice of our attorney, so I guess
- 2 I'd like to be clear that -- and, of course, Mr. Tillery is
- 3 an attorney, so he's probably way ahead of this, but to be
- 4 sure that that's totally appropriate advice, that's not
- 5 necessarily part of the advice to transfer it to the
- 6 Department of Law and rather as he has suggested.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I suspect that them
- 8 transferring the money from the Department of Law State of
- 9 Alaska back to, for example, Fish and Wildlife Service for
- 10 04-0477 is a cumbersome process that won't let them be in
- 11 the field on the 21st of this month like they want, but,
- 12 Mr. Tillery, do you want to answer that question?
- 13 MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair, you're exactly
- 14 correct. Once we knew the scope of the projects and who
- 15 would be doing them, in order to get the money into the
- 16 field, that's really the reason we're back here is so we
- 17 can just send it directly from the Council to those Federal
- 18 agencies and bypassing the additional steps required by the
- 19 Department of Law. We actually did end up getting
- 20 legislative authority, but it really would take a lot of
- 21 extra time and probably we'd lose some money along the way.
- MR. BALSIGER: Thank you, I'm satisfied.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I have a funding
- 24 question. I remember we set aside a million and a half and
- 25 this is going to go beyond that million and a half, to the

- 1 tune of, looks to me, depending on what Dr. Mundy's motion
- 2 is or recommendation is going to be, 100,000. What's the
- 3 effect of that on the amount of dollars that we have in
- 4 that account? I just don't remember the total that was
- 5 there that we were appropriating from. Gail, do you have a
- 6 dollar?
- 7 MS. PHILLIPS: Paula, do you have that
- 8 figure handy?
- 9 MS. BANKS: I'm sorry, Madam Chair, could
- 10 you repeat the question?
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The fund source that
- 12 these dollars come out of, what is our present balance in
- 13 that account if we go beyond the million and a half that we
- 14 had already set aside?
- 15 MS. BANKS: We're already over what we had
- 16 originally anticipated for allocations for FY04. And as
- 17 far as what's in the Reserve account, there's about a
- 18 hundred million in there.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I'm sorry, I can't
- 20 hear.
- 21 MS. BANKS: I said as far as what's in --
- 22 if you're asking what's in the Reserve account there's
- 23 about a hundred million.
- 24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I don't think I'm being
- 25 very articulate about what I'm asking, because I'm not sure

- 1 of the right account names to ask about, but for the amount
- of money that we had to spend for '04 and '05, you're
- 3 saying that this is going to exceed the amount without
- 4 going into reserves if we go beyond the million and a half?
- 5 MS. PHILLIPS: Drue, the money for -- the
- 6 roughly \$5,000,000 for '04 had already been expended, so we
- 7 did have to go into the Reserve account for this million
- 8 and a half or 1.6 already, it was not available in '04
- 9 funding.
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. So this is in
- 11 addition?
- 12 MS. PHILLIPS: This is in addition.
- 13 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: This would be from the
- 14 Reserve account.
- MR. TILLERY: Yeah, Madam Chair, at that
- 16 March meeting Dr. Balsiger and I think the Council
- 17 explicitly recognized that, but indicated that this was an
- 18 issue that just needed to be resolved before we really move
- 19 on and got involved in more long-term research type
- 20 program. And I think that was the reason that it was felt
- 21 that it was okay or appropriate to go beyond the original
- 22 allocation for this fiscal year.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And I agree with that,
- 24 I just think we should have it on the record if we are
- 25 increasing that amount, which is now the Reserve account.

- 1 So are there any other general questions
- 2 before we go to Dr. Mundy's specific recommendation?
- 3 MS. LISOWSKI: Madam Chairman.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- 5 MS. LISOWSKI: I have one question on the
- 6 amounts being approved for FY05 for each of these projects,
- 7 does that mean that for next year's Work Plan those amounts
- 8 will be coming back to the Council for another look or are
- 9 we approving that if we go forward with this resolution for
- 10 FY05 at this time?
- 11 MS. PHILLIPS: Madam Chairman, this is the
- 12 Executive Director. It was my understanding by the
- 13 language in the original motion that this was additional
- 14 funds, it would not be the Work Plan funds for '04 or '05,
- 15 it was additional money.
- 16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Does that answer your
- 17 question?
- 18 MS. LISOWSKI: I think that the answer is
- 19 no, it will not be coming back to the Council in '05.
- MS. PHILLIPS: That's correct.
- 21 MR. BALSIGER: This is Jim Balsiger, Madam
- 22 Chair.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Balsiger.
- MR. BALSIGER: I guess that as we always do
- 25 when we have multiple year project that there would be some

- 1 check to make certain that the project is proceeding
- 2 correctly before the second year goes. So without
- 3 Dr. Mundy or someone looking at it, they won't get the
- 4 second increment, the have to prove up on the first year's
- 5 work.
- 6 MS. PHILLIPS: Jim, this is Gail. That is
- 7 absolutely correct. I was just addressing the issue of the
- 8 money, but all the protocols will still be in place.
- 9 MR. BALSIGER: Thank you.
  - 10 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Dr. Balsiger,
  - 11 does that answer your question?
  - 12 MR. BALSIGER: Yes, that's my
  - 13 understanding, that's fine.
  - 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Any other
  - 15 general questions?
  - MR. FREDIKSSON: Yeah, Madam Chair.
  - 17 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: If not, Dr. Mundy,
  - 18 would you please.....
  - MR. FREDIKSSON: Madam Chair, can I
  - 20 interrupt just for a second? This is Kurt Frediksson.
  - 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Sure.
  - MR. FREDIKSSON: I just wanted to confirm
  - 23 with Craig, back to this March 12th meeting he held with
  - 24 agencies, university, Integral and it looks like Dr. Spies
  - 25 looked at the projects as well. Is my understanding

- 1 correct that there was general concurrence with those
- 2 agencies at the meeting that these were worthwhile projects
- 3 and that Dr. Spies apparently had some suggested changes,
- 4 but that those were taken care of or adopted?
- 5 MR. TILLERY: That is correct.
- 6 MR. FREDIKSSON: Okay, thank you.
- 7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- DR. MUNDY: Thank you, Madam Chair. What I
- 9 want to talk about this morning in your notebook, the tab
- 10 labeled FY04 Work Plan. And if you'll turn in past the
- 11 second green sheet to where the header line reads "Draft
- 12 FY2004 Lingering Oil Work Plan", Page 1 of 10. And the
- 13 footer reads "Work Plan Phase III Funding
- 14 Recommendations". It's dated May the 14th, 2004.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay.
- DR. MUNDY: All right. Here we have an
- 17 explanation of five projects and I need to clarify some of
- 18 the statements that have been made earlier. These
- 19 proposals were taken through the Lingering Oil Subcommittee
- 20 peer review process. Dr. Spies is the chair of that
- 21 process, however, Dr. Spies was not the only peer reviewer
- 22 on these projects. These projects were sent out for peer
- 23 review to a substantial number of people, which is our
- 24 normal practice, our normal peer review process. So I can
- 25 assure the Council that these projects that were considered

- 1 and conceived at the meeting in March, that Mr. Frediksson
- 2 referred to, have been vetted through the peer review
- 3 process and that they are worthy and will provide the
- 4 information that stated in the work book for the Council.
- 5 However, four of the projects we were able
- 6 to work out all of the details of the concerns of the peer
- 7 reviewers, including Dr. Spies, and in one case we were
- 8 not. This is not a serious problem, we have been doing
- 9 this a very, very rapid pace. We have, in essence, done an
- 10 entire Draft Work Plan in a matter of about three months,
- 11 we normally take much longer to do that. So we have come
- 12 almost to closure with this project.
- So the four projects are the Rice project
- 14 on oil and fish; Bodkin, that is oil in otters, Ballachey's
- 15 nearshore vertebrate predator oil study; and Lees bivalve
- 16 recovery. So Rice, Bodkin, Ballachey and Lees, we've able
- 17 to negotiate with the contractors and to come to a
- 18 conclusion. And the four of these I can recommend to you
- 19 without reservation for funding at the dollar amounts that
- 20 are listed on the sheets in your book.
- 21 The fourth [sic] project, the Day proposal
- 22 is to look at sediments and sediment quality and this is a
- 23 sediment quality survey of heavily oiled beaches in Prince
- 24 William Sound. Again, this study is virtually ready to go,
- 25 we're very, very close, but we couldn't finish this by this

- 1 morning, it was just too many details.
- The basic issues we are characterizing the
- 3 sediments in oiled areas of Prince William Sound and one of
- 4 the big issue is how variable are those sediments. If all
- 5 the sediments in the area were exactly the same we could go
- 6 out and take one sample and analyze it for PAHs and
- 7 toxicity and so forth and that would be the end of it. But
- 8 the more variable the sediments are, the more different
- 9 kinds of sediments we have there and the more different
- 10 things are as you move away from the beach, the more
- 11 samples you have to take. It's pretty obvious. So one of
- 12 the issues we've been trying to work out with the
- 13 contractor, in conjunction with peer reviewers, who have
- 14 really intimate knowledge of the variability in these
- 15 areas, is exactly how many samples need to be taken.
- And, of course, since the analysis of each
- 17 sample in this case, since we're dealing with polyaromatic
- 18 hydrocarbons and other things like that, is quite
- 19 expensive. So the cost of the project is directly
- 20 proportional to the number of samples that we have to take.
- 21 So where we are right now is that we are
- 22 almost agreed about how many samples need to be taken in
- 23 order to give snapshot, a good picture of the toxicity of
- 24 the sediments in the oiled area of the Prince William
- 25 Sound.

- 1 And so I would recommend that this study be
- 2 funded, be funded contingent on working out the final
- 3 details, as we often do, and I would recommend that it be
- 4 funded at these levels. Now, these levels that I'm going
- 5 to give you are not the levels that are listed in your
- 6 book, so please bear that in mind. I'm going to read
- 7 these. For FY04 I would recommend that the project be
- 8 funded at the level of \$151,000, for FY05 I would recommend
- 9 that the project be funded at the level of \$57,000. The
- 10 total amount of recommended funding in order to do the work
- 11 that's described here in a fashion that will us good value
- 12 for our money is \$208,000.
- That's my report, Madam Chair, I'll take
- 14 questions.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Are there
- 16 questions?
- 17 (No audible response)
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Hearing none, that then
- 19 would change the resolution and Project 04-0772 would now
- 20 be 151,000 for fiscal year '04 and 57,000 for fiscal year
- 21 '05; is that correct?
- DR. MUNDY: That is correct, Madam Chair.
- MR. FREDIKSSON: Madam Chair, this is Kurt
- 24 Frediksson, if I might ask a few questions?
- 25 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes, Mr. Frediksson,

- 1 you have the floor.
- 2 MR. FREDIKSSON: Yeah, Dr. Mundy, I'm
- 3 curious in terms of what -- we see the 136,250 in our book,
- 4 was that their original estimate or has that been modified
- 5 over time? That's one question. And then the second
- 6 question I have and final question is, in terms of
- 7 reconciling the ultimate number of sample sites, how would
- 8 that be neg -- who would be the party subject to that
- 9 negotiation and final agreement?
- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, if I may?
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes, Dr. Mundy.
- 12 DR. MUNDY: Okay. The answer your first
- 13 questions, Dr. Frediksson, is yes, the FY05 amount has not
- 14 changed. The FY04 amount originally was \$77,000, I'm
- 15 rounding to the nearest thousand, it was originally
- 16 \$77,000. In response to peer reviewer comments the author
- 17 of the proposal did a rewrite on both the narrative and the
- 18 budget, mostly the sampling design, which was very good,
- 19 very highly responsive to the peer reviewer comments and it
- 20 was very easy to work Integral Consulting on this.
- 21 However, on sending it back out through the
- 22 peer review group -- again, these are people who really
- 23 understand variability and sediments, they spotted a couple
- 24 of things, three items that needed -- okay, so the amount
- 25 was bumped up to \$136,000 on the first round of peer

- 1 review. Then the peer reviewers in the second round of
- 2 peer review said, okay, the sampling design is almost
- 3 right, but there are a few extra -- instead of combining
- 4 the sample, as has been proposed here, we need to leave
- 5 them separate and that will lead to additional costs in
- 6 terms of sampling those separated samples. In other words,
- 7 in essence, more samples.
- 8 So we sat down and we said all right, we're
- 9 getting down to a Trustee Council meeting where the money
- 10 will be allocated, will be voted, we need to know exactly
- 11 what you mean by this, we need to have those samples costed
- 12 out, we want to know what it's going to cost to do that.
- 13 And so we got an estimate from a company that does this and
- 14 that number increased by \$15,000, so we went from \$77,000
- 15 to \$136,000 to \$151,000 as a result of the peer review
- 16 process. However, we do not have a contract in hand that
- 17 addresses the \$151,000 in costs for FY04, the contract we
- 18 have in hand addresses only \$136,000 in anticipated FY04
- 19 costs.
- 20 So to get to your second question, that
- 21 would be worked out between me, as the Science Director,
- 22 and the contractor. The details of that, I will be advised
- 23 by Dr. Spies and by the Lingering Oil Subcommittee in the
- 24 matter of the sampling design. I would stress that the
- 25 relations with the contractor in this case are completely

- 1 amicable, we are working out details. We're providing
- 2 information to them, they're responding to the information,
- 3 so everything is going well here, we just need some more
- 4 money.
- 5 MR. FREDIKSSON: Thank you, Phil.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I have just a numerical
- 7 question. I look at the project description and your
- 8 number for fiscal year '04 was 76,679, which you want to
- 9 increase to 151,000. And I look back at the resolution
- 10 page and the number for fiscal year '04 was 79,679, which
- 11 of those two number is the correct number for what we had?
- DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, I'll turn that
- 13 over to Paula Banks.
- MS. BANKS: It was 79,000, Madam Chair.
- DR. MUNDY: Seventy-nine thousand, so
- 16 apparently there was a typo in the -- but I did check the
- 17 numbers this morning and the number in the contract that we
- 18 have in hand, the revised contract, is \$136,000 and to that
- 19 we want to add 15.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Madam Chairman.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes, you have the
- 22 floor.
- MS. LISOWSKI: I'm having trouble tracking
- 24 how the increases that Dr. Mundy is proposing relate to the
- 25 additional amounts that Mr. Tillery indicated he was

- 1 proposing in addition for the sediment analysis. Is this
- 2 something in addition to the \$75,000 that he discussed in
- 3 his introduction regarding the Department of Law
- 4 recommendation?
- 5 MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair, this is Craig.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Tillery.
- 7 MR. TILLERY: Dr. Mundy is simply providing
- 8 us a detailed and a more precise statement of what I said
- 9 generally, so his numbers are correct. And I've talked to
- 10 the contractor also and they're comfortable with this.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. But in terms of
- 12 actual numbers, as I understand the original resolution,
- 13 before Dr. Mundy making this proposed change, the original
- 14 resolution would have us allocating or expending or
- 15 disbursing 1,677,500 and then he is now asking us to add an
- 16 additional amount of 71,750, am I correct?
- 17 DR. MUNDY: Madam Chair, I believe the
- 18 additional amount relative to the amount that's in the
- 19 resolution should be \$90,000. The first increment was
- 20 approximately \$75,000 and the second increment was \$15,000,
- 21 so the increment here would be roughly \$90,000. So those
- 22 are the additional requirements relative to the comments of
- 23 the peer reviewers.
- MR. BALSIGER: Madam Chair, this is Jim
- 25 Balsiger.

- 1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Balsiger.
- 2 MR. BALSIGER: I thought I was following
- 3 this exactly, but if the resolution has 79,600 and we get
- 4 an additional 90,000, I thought we were only getting to
- 5 151,000 for that first year, so somehow I've gone from -- I
- 6 don't track your 90,000, I thought we only needed about
- 7 71,000 or so. I must have missed something in there.
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Dr. Mundy.
- 9 DR. MUNDY: Yes, Madam Chair, I'm at the
- 10 moment doing some of the back of the envelope arithmetic
- 11 here. Again, I'm working with the -- these are the figures
- 12 that I'm working with. The original FY04 for the 772
- 13 proposal was approximately \$80,000, and that's from the
- 14 resolution and not from my sheet. My sheet has a typo or a
- 15 mistake in it. Paula Banks confirms that the original
- 16 contract request from Day for FY04 was for 79,679 as it
- 17 states in the resolution, okay?
- Now, in response to peer reviewer comments
- 19 Integral Consulting came back and said that they needed
- 20 approximately, and again I'm working from the figures that
- 21 I negotiated with the contractor, I'm not looking at their
- 22 budget at this time, so they came back and they said they
- 23 needed approximately \$75,000 in addition.
- 24 On the second round of peer review they
- 25 said they -- we decided that it was an additional \$15,000

- 1 in sampling costs, sampling analysis costs, would be added.
- 2 So from that I have 80,000, 75,000 and 15,000 for FY04,
- 3 which makes \$170,000. If you add to the \$170,000, \$57,000
- 4 you get \$227,000, which is substantially different from the
- 5 numbers that I earlier gave you.
- 6 MR. BALSIGER: (Phone cut out) thousand
- 7 dollar difference, but I.....
- 8 DR. MUNDY: Okay. And I have no -- okay.
- 9 I'm checking through the -- and it may be that simply the
- 10 -- Paula has gone to check on this, but it may be that the
- 11 number, the \$75,000 number, that I have from my discussions
- 12 with the contractor -- okay, so we have some better
- 13 information now, Madam Chair. May I call on Mr. Huber?
- 14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes. Mr. Huber,
- 15 please.
- 16 MR. HUBER: Madam Chairman, the original
- 17 submission from Integral for the Project 772 was 79,679.
- 18 After the first round of peer review their proposed FY04
- 19 budget went up to 136,000, so it's an increment of 56,300.
- DR. MUNDY: Okay.
- MR. HUBER: After the second round now
- 22 Dr. Mundy is suggesting another 15,000, added to the
- 23 \$56,000, so it would take a total allocation for '04 and
- 24 05, for the entire resolution, if it's approved as
- 25 suggested, would be \$1,677,700.

- DR. MUNDY: Okay. Madam Chair, so the
- 2 problem was my memory and that's the \$75,000 figure, then
- 3 the numbers that I did give you, the 136 for FY04, the 57
- 4 for FY05 and the 208 for the total, those numbers are
- 5 correct.
- 6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Mr. Huber, I was
- 7 with you all the way through the 1,677,000 and then I had
- 8 500 you had 700, but I think it's probably not worth
- 9 quibbling over.
- MR. BALSIGER: I had 500 as well.
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So then we have a
- 12 motion where we would on 04-0772 the '04 amount would
- 13 change to 151,000 and the '05 amount would change to 57,000
- 14 and all the other numbers on that resolution stay the same;
- 15 is that correct? Other than the total funding numbers at
- 16 bottom will have to be adjusted.
- 17 MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair, this is Craig
- 18 Tillery. Yeah, I think if we make -- and, Brett, tell me
- 19 are those the right numbers to put in for that project?
- MR. HUBER: One fifty-one....
- MR. TILLERY: And 57?
- 22 MR. HUBER: ....and 57.
- 23 MR. TILLERY: Okay. If we make those two
- 24 changes, and I think you could just make the motion,
- 25 without having to go through the math here, that the

- 1 numbers on the distribution would be adjusted accordingly,
- 2 because that's simply sort of a mathematical exercise.
- CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Fine. Are there
- 4 any questions about any of the actual projects, not so much
- 5 the numbers, but the projects themselves that we're
- 6 approving, for Dr. Mundy?
- 7 (No audible response)
- 8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Is there any
- 9 questions at all?
- 10 (No audible response)
- 11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: If not, do we have a
- 12 motion?
- 13 MR. FREDIKSSON: Madam Chairman, this is
- 14 Kurt Frediksson at Environmental Conservation, I'd move
- 15 resolution 04-07 with the correct for Project 04-0772, such
- 16 that for FY04 the amount would be 151,000 and for FY05 the
- 17 amount be 57,000 and then total through the resolution be
- 18 adjusted accordingly.
- 19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there a second?
- 20 MR. DUFFY: Second. This is Kevin.
- 21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a motion....
- MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: ....we have a second;
- 24 is there discussion?
- 25 MR. TILLERY: Madam Chair, this is Craig

- 1 Tillery.
- 2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Tillery.
- 3 MR. TILLERY: One other change to the
- 4 version that you have in your packet. At the very bottom
- 5 when it talks about the contract to Integral Consulting, it
- 6 says FY04, due to the fact that the fast track legislative
- 7 budget got on the siding for a while, that needs to be
- 8 FY04-05. We're still not signed.
- 9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Frediksson, would
- 10 you accept that as a friendly amendment?
- MR. FREDIKSSON: I would, thank you.
- 12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is there any other
- 13 discussion?
- 14 (No audible response)
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: If not, Cherri, would
- 16 you please call the roll?
- MS. WOMAC: Jim Balsiger.
- MR. BALSIGER: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Kevin Duffy.
- MR. DUFFY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Drue Pearce.
- 22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Maria Lisowski.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Craig Tillery.

- 1 MR. TILLERY: Yes.
- MS. WOMAC: Kurt Frediksson.
- 3 MR. FREDIKSSON: Yes.
- 4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The fiscal year '04
- 5 Work Plan Phase III projects have been approved, the
- 6 money has been allocated.
- 7 That brings us to the end of the agenda.
- 8 Are there any additional items to come before us?
- 9 (No audible response)
- 10 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Executive Director.
- MS. PHILLIPS: Thank you, no, Madam
- 12 Chairman, but I appreciate everybody being on line and look
- 13 forward to hearing and seeing you on the meeting on the
- 14 19th.
- 15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Any additional comments
- 16 by any of the Trustees?
- 17 (No audible response)
- 18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: If not, I would
- 19 entertain a motion to adjourn.
- 20 MR. DUFFY: This is Kevin, motion to
- 21 adjourn.
- MS. LISOWSKI: Second.
- 23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a motion, we
- 24 have a second, hearing no opposition, we are adjourned.
- 25 Thank you, everybody.

(Off record - 9:34 a.m.)

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