

**13.08.01 – Reading File**

**August 2005**

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 26, 2005

Larry Evanoff  
President  
Chenega IRA Council  
PO Box 8079  
Chenega Bay, Alaska 99574

Dear Mr. Evanoff:

Thank you for notifying the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOS TC) office of the September 3, 2005 Chenega IRA Council meeting in Chenega Bay, unfortunately the EVOS TC office cannot make donation to the meeting.

Congratulations on the increasing Tribal membership, it must be very gratifying to see the enrollment continue to grow over such a short period of time. May I extend my best to the new council, I am sure the Tribal membership will continue gain from the new Council's expertise and leadership.

I look forward to continuing to work with you and the Chenega IRA Tribal Council in the future, both through your participation as a member of the Public Advisory Committee and through the community of Chenega Bay's interest in the continued restoration process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gail Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a horizontal line.

*for* Gail Phillips  
Executive Director



August 1, 2005

CHENEGA IRA COUNCIL

Post Office Box 8079  
Chenega Bay, Alaska 99574

Phone: 907-573-5132 Main  
907-573-5212 Secondary  
907-573-5134 Bookkeeping  
907-573-5461 Tribal Enrollment  
907-573-5151 FVA  
907-573-5476 Environmental  
Program  
907-573-5386 ICWA

Fax: 907-573-5120  
Email: [chenegaira@aol.com](mailto:chenegaira@aol.com)

Larry Evanoff, President  
Richard Kompkoff, Vice  
President  
Pete Kompkoff, Chairman  
Wannah Zacher, Secretary  
Michael J. Vigil, Member  
Mary A. Kompkoff, Member

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
441 West Fifth Avenue, Suite 500  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Re: Annual Tribal Meeting

Ms. Phillips,

The Native Village of Chenega cordially invites you to our Annual Tribal meeting, which will be held on September 3, 2005. The Chenega IRA Council holds this meeting to elect new council members and adopt tribal members. 2005 will be the third year in history that the Chenega Tribe adopts tribal members under our tribal enrollment. We are proud to say that our Tribal membership has been gradually increasing.

The Chenega IRA Council appreciates any donations for door prizes or potluck goods. In the past, you and your organization has supported the Native Village of Chenega, and we thank you for generosity. As always your friends here at the Chenega IRA Council, we wish you and your organization much success.

Respectfully,

  
Larry Evanoff  
President

Chenega  
I will  
vacat  
time  
Consid  
this

Being held in  
Chenega  
registration 11:30  
into 1 pm

Gail





CHENEGA IRA COUNCIL

Post Office Box 8079  
Chenega Bay, Alaska 99574

Phone: 907-573-5132 Main  
907-573-5212 Secondary  
907-573-5134 Bookkeeping  
907-573-5461 Tribal Enrollment  
907-573-5151 FVA  
907-573-5476 Environmental  
Program  
907-573-5386 ICWA

Fax: 907-573-5120  
Email: [chenegaira@aol.com](mailto:chenegaira@aol.com)

Larry Evanoff, President  
Richard Kompkoff, Vice  
President  
Pete Kompkoff, Chairman  
Wannah Zacher, Secretary  
Michael J. Vigil, Member  
Mary A. Kompkoff, Member

August 1, 2005

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
441 West Fifth Avenue, Suite 500  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Re: Annual Tribal Meeting

Ms. Phillips,

The Native Village of Chenega cordially invites you to our Annual Tribal meeting, which will be held on September 3, 2005. The Chenega IRA Council holds this meeting to elect new council members and adopt tribal members. 2005 will be the third year in history that the Chenega Tribe adopts tribal members under our tribal enrollment. We are proud to say that our Tribal membership has been gradually increasing.

The Chenega IRA Council appreciates any donations for door prizes or potluck goods. In the past, you and your organization has supported the Native Village of Chenega, and we thank you for generosity. As always your friends here at the Chenega IRA Council, we wish you and your organization much success.

Respectfully,

  
Larry Evanoff  
President

Cherri - Since  
I will be on  
vacation at this  
time, would you  
consider attending  
this on my behalf?  
Gail

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Kenneth Adams  
P.O. Box 1855  
Cordova, AK 99574

Dear Mr. Adams and Mr. Mullins:

*Ken and Ross -*

Thank you for your proposal submission to our 2006 Invitation. The public and some reviewers recognized the potential value of your proposal. Several members of the Trustee Council expressed an interest in your intention to aid commercial fishermen, as 'commercial fishing' is officially designated as a 'not fully recovering' resource. Under these auspices, your proposal would fit with restoration objectives.

The recommendation from TC during their 10 August 2005 meeting is to ask you to modify your proposal and resubmit it to the Executive Director for consideration for funding. This is not to be construed as a recommendation for funding, but rather as an opportunity to address concerns expressed by the STAC, PAC and TC. This proposal will go back out for review once it is received.

In your revised proposal, we strongly urge you to:

- (1) address the concerns of the STAC (attached), i.e., state what you have done to date and include results, give objectives and methods for what you propose to do in the future, and prepare a budget that is fully explained, including how funding for a consultant is to be spent.
- (2) Emphasize and clarify your recovery objectives relating to the injured resource, i.e., commercial fishing and lost economic opportunity.
- (3) Clearly link your proposed model as a synthesis component of the SEA program.

The EVOS staff is happy to work with you to develop your revised proposal. You can contact Richard Dworsky, Science Coordinator or Brenda Norcross, Interim Science Director, to discuss your proposed revisions.

We look forward to receiving a revised proposal from you. Because of the short time frame, we would like to receive the revised proposal by 16 September 2005.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips, Executive Director, EVOSTC

*Attachments: (1) Transcript of TC meeting; (2) STAC Review*

## STAC COMMENTS

Adams – limited synthesis 060784

Recommendation: Do not fund.

Note that pink salmon is recovered and therefore that is a species that is not a target to be addressed. There is no evidence of participation (no letters of support, no matching funds) from cooperators, e.g., ADF&G. FY05 funding was specifically for one year funding to test the concept. Thus, though this project was funded for a year, no results from the first year of work were included in the proposal. The basis of this proposal is that a model for pink salmon will be available to be used by fishermen. However, this proposal does not state what the model does. Additionally, the budget only has money for "transporting" the model to PWSFRAP. There is nothing about the model in here, i.e., there is no testing of model. There is no plan for implementing the model. IDL software is a renewal license, requires a competent person to run this. There is not evidence of such a person available to run it. Nothing is promised to be produced from this one year of work.

This is very expensive for no product. This is obviously a multi-year effort, as all costs appear to be recurring annually. This is only a request to support the office in Cordova. Note this proposal also asks EVOS to buy computer for UMD, which is inappropriate as the model is to be transferred from Maryland to PWSFRAP. If TC thinks this is important (STAC does not think the technical content is important), then TC needs to define a commitment to this project with a long-term plan because most of the costs in the proposal appear to be fixed. If this is to be funded, STAC suggests site visits.

EXCERPT FROM TC MEETING MINUTES, AUGUST 2005

MR. CAMPBELL: I will make a motion and I

1 don't know how I'm going to vote on this one. But for  
2 purposes of getting it on the floor, I will move Adams  
3 commercial fisheries synthesis and modeling. And if  
4 there's a second, I'd like to.....

5 MR. NORDSTRAND: Second.

6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a motion and a  
7 second to approve Adams 060784. Yes, discussion please.

8 MR. CAMPBELL: If I could. My questions  
9 are, I know there were mixed funding recommendations that  
10 generally range from do no fund to modify, about evenly  
11 among the different groups. And my question is, I am aware  
12 of a number of the shortcomings -- is there a possibility  
13 of through modification or some type of inner process  
14 through this with the proposers that this could be made  
15 into a good proposal and be worthy? And I'm asking.

16 DR. NORCROSS: All right. I'll speak to  
17 that. I believe the answer is yes. The STAC  
18 recommendation is based purely on the science aspects and  
19 what was written. After my presentation in Cordova, I  
20 spoke to the PI's and told them they skipped a few things  
21 in their proposal, like telling us what they had done in  
22 the past and what they intended to do in the future. And  
23 we could only go on what was written, hence they had a  
24 request for modification. As you know, the PAC very  
25 strongly supports it. And so my judgment from speaking  
1 with the PAC and the STAC would be, with modifications, it  
2 could be fine.

3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And those modifications  
4 would embody what they've done in the past and what they're  
5 going to do in the future?

6 DR. NORCROSS: The modifications would be  
7 that specifically they didn't tell us they had produced  
8 anything in the past.....

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay.

10 DR. NORCROSS: .....and therefore it's very  
11 difficult to judge what one could do in the future when  
12 funding has been given in the past, that we didn't feel  
13 like they defined their budget very well because it  
14 appeared to the STAC that they were only physically moving  
15 a model from Maryland to Cordova but they never said they  
16 were going to run the model or that something was going to  
17 come out of it. It doesn't say how they're going to  
18 implement it. We thought it was that it's expensive if  
19 it's only an interim because there's no product that says  
20 will be produced in one year. And the STAC believes that  
21 it's definitely a multi-year effort and it would be  
22 something the trustee council should buy into and recognize  
23 it's a multi-year effort.

24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Additional comments  
25 from the maker of the motion?

1 MR. CAMPBELL: I'm going to ask if the  
2 maker -- or if my second would agree to withdraw my motion  
3 and substitute a motion that we request staff, with the

4 inclusion of the STAC, to go back and talk to the makers  
5 this proposal and see if they can make it into a -- if they  
6 do feel it can turn into a proposal, you know, that would  
7 be appropriate to bring to us. If not, please come back to  
8 us with additional do not fund recommendation. But I think  
9 it is worth of some further investigation.

10 MR. NORDSTRAND: I concur.

11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So the motion -- is  
12 there anyone opposed to withdrawing the motion?

13 MR. MEADE: Well, I was trying to have  
14 discussion on one of the two.

15 (Laughter)

16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Go ahead, Joe.

17 MR. MEADE: Well, am I having discussion on  
18 the former motion or the amended motion that's now pending?

19 MR. CAMPBELL: Take your pick. Take your  
20 pick.

21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The amended motion  
22 that's pending.

23 MR. MEADE: I guess I need clarification.  
24 I heard from the Public Advisory Committee this morning, I  
25 think, that this proposal seems to have been singled out in  
1 the final analysis and not been afforded opportunity for  
2 such review and modification. Is that accurate, Brenda?

3 DR. NORCROSS: No, it was totally reviewed  
4 like everything else but this.....

5 MR. MEADE: But given opportunity for  
6 modification.....

7 DR. NORCROSS: Correct. None of them were  
8 given opportunity for modification and this is one that I'm  
9 certain you got a request for to ask if it could be  
10 modified prior to this meeting that the staff and everyone  
11 else thought it would expedite the process. And the answer  
12 that was returned and that the proposers got was no  
13 modifications prior to this meeting.

14 MR. MEADE: And then didn't we just approve  
15 one at this meeting or several where we're going back and  
16 asking for modification?

17 DR. NORCROSS: We did just do that with the  
18 Jacobs one, yes.

19 MR. MEADE: So are we being consistent, I  
20 guess is what I'm asking ourselves?

21 MR. NORDSTRAND: We funded one with a  
22 contingency that there be changes made subject -- this  
23 would be basically asking to change the proposal and bring  
24 it back. I think there is a distinction.

25 MS. PHILLIPS: Madame Chairman. They had  
1 requested the ability to make the change prior to this  
2 meeting, so that their modified project would be before you  
3 at this time. And the trustee council said they would not  
4 want to have any modifications ahead of time.

5 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: What's our expectation  
6 of our next meeting date?

7 MS. PHILLIPS: December 2nd. And I would  
8 request that the motion be amended to allow for staff to  
9 work out the modified project and contact you through a  
10 teleconferenced meeting in order to address this, so we



11 don't have to wait till December.

12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The motion on the table  
13 was actually to withdraw the motion, and.....

14 MR. MEADE: And I still had more point of  
15 discussion prior to that amendment and prior to the  
16 amendment.

17 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And Mr. Meade.

18 MR. MEADE: The next query that I had was  
19 do I also recollect that this proposal is based out of a  
20 multi-year -- was out of a project that was funded in past  
21 and with anticipation that it would continue into the  
22 future?

23 MS. PHILLIPS: There was the anticipation  
24 by the PI's that it would. It was funded as a one year  
25 project with the anticipation that it would go on. And the  
1 anticipation was on the part of the PI's who thought it was  
2 going to be funded additionally.

3 MR. MEADE: Do we have other examples,  
4 Gail, of projects that past trustees had approved that had  
5 expectations of multi-year funding.....

6 MS. PHILLIPS: No.

7 MR. MEADE: .....that did not get carried  
8 through?

9 MS. PHILLIPS: This is the only one I know  
10 about.

11 MR. MEADE: I guess I would come back and  
12 urge -- well, I'll wait till we deal with all of our  
13 amended motions before I offer an amended motion.

14 MR. CAMPBELL: Madame Chair. Can I  
15 just.....

16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Yes.

17 MR. CAMPBELL: My previous -- the motion on  
18 the table was two part. Let me, for sake of clarity, just  
19 with -- as in mine, simply withdraw my motion and leave the  
20 table clear if there's a better motion for someone to make.

21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. So the motion is  
22 to withdraw.

23 MR. NORDSTRAND: Agreed.

24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Is anyone opposed to  
25 that?

1 (No audible responses)

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. The floor is  
3 open for a motion. If anyone else -- Mr. Meade.

4 MR. MEADE: I'd like to propose a motion.

5 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Please

6 MR. MEADE: I propose that we ask the Exxon  
7 Valdez -- the staff to go back to the PI and seek  
8 modification to the proposal that does tier to a multi-year  
9 expectation that the PI's had and frame it to meet the  
10 direct outcomes we're looking for in much more focused  
11 content toward our interim plan.

12 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: In effect you're just --  
13 well, do we have a second?

14 MR. HAGAN: Second.

15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Just to clarify,  
16 to better understand, are you then suggesting that she  
17 brings it back to us in a -- perhaps a teleconferenced

18 meeting.....

19 MR. MEADE: I think it should be

20 expedited.....

21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: ....prior to December  
22 2nd?

23 MR. MEADE: .....yeah, prior. Yes.

24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So it should be

25 expedited. Understood.

1 MR. MEADE: Yeah, I would be so bold in the  
2 motion to say that if this past expectation that they had  
3 of us, because of a multi-year expectation they designed  
4 their original project around, if they can tier it directly  
5 to the synthesis work that we need done, I would recommend  
6 that we be funding it. So I guess in a sense, I'm  
7 recommending that if the proposal can be modified to meet  
8 our objectives and needs and be respectful of our past  
9 commitments, I think as the Public Advisory Committee has  
10 asked of us, that we would expect to fund this project.

11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Did you have a comment  
12 beyond your second question? Comment, please.

13 MR. HAGAN: Comment. I guess I'm not so  
14 sure if their proposal is a synthesis proposal.

15 MR. MEADE: So it doesn't meet our  
16 interim.....

17 MR. HAGAN: Yeah, but.....

18 MR. MEADE: .....science needs. And so  
19 it's more following through with.....

20 MR. HAGAN: But it is a multi-year need.

21 MR. MEADE: .....commitment we gave.

22 MR. HAGAN: And I'd also like to add, I  
23 believe their current contract through NOAA ends in January  
24 of this year. So possibility of a December meeting may  
25 help in terms of a bridge funding. But anyway, I just -- I  
1 think it needs to be a staged process and with the STAC  
2 involvement to review the products as they come -- review  
3 the plans as they come forward. So I could see some  
4 interim funding maybe from this fiscal year to help keep  
5 them going in an office. And also develop in a second  
6 year plan, maybe an FY07 plan that addresses the needs.  
7 Anyway, it's a budget issue I think as well.

8 MR. MEADE: Well, the hesitancy I have --  
9 if I may, Madame.....

10 MR. HAGAN: Yeah.

11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Meade.

12 MR. MEADE: The hesitancy I have there is  
13 we're not about funding organizations, we're about funding  
14 work. The concern I have is the inconsistency in  
15 expectations they had when they first put forward a  
16 proposal, what, two years back.

17 MR. HAGAN: Yeah. Right.

18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Fredriksson --  
19 Commissioner.

20 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Thank you, Madame Chair.  
21 Two comments. One kind of maybe to follow up, Joe, a  
22 little bit on the PI's expectations. It was real clear  
23 what the council did, was to provide funding for a one year  
24 only. One year only, which in our decision document had

25 provisions for out years. In fact, we approved in the '05  
1 -- I think it was '05 pro -- oh, this may have been an '04  
2 project -- but at least the document that was in front of  
3 the council at the time, it had Adams and Mullins project  
4 with '04, '05, '06. Or at least for a three year time  
5 frame, and the proposal at that time was for only one year.  
6 So the fact that afterwards -- and I've talked to Ken  
7 Adams, he knows where I stand -- the fact that he thought  
8 that he was going to get multi-year funding, that just is  
9 not necessarily persuasive to me. The facts are what the  
10 facts are.

11 Having said that, I think what you see in  
12 the Adams proposal is very much what Pete mentioned. To me  
13 it is not responsive to the synthesis. It is for  
14 forecasting for pink salmon, pink salmon which by our  
15 measure is a recovered species and by Mr. Mullins'  
16 testimony today, is coming back in record number. Having  
17 said that, I think it has a -- it may be a very valuable  
18 management tool. Extremely valuable in forecasting and  
19 something that, when we get to that threshold of what next,  
20 after we've brought closure to our synthesis of the damaged  
21 resources and we look around and we say to the people of  
22 Alaska and particularly the people of the injured area,  
23 what next, I would think the Adams proposal may have  
24 tremendous merit and tremendous support of moving forward  
25 at that time.

1 I will not be opposed to a motion that  
2 seeks to at least continue dialogue with Adams but I don't  
3 think we're ventur -- we've been trying to focus so much on  
4 getting the injured list taken care of, while still kind of  
5 attempting to build a bridge to the what next question. I  
6 think the Adams project really fits into that what next  
7 category.

8 MR. MEADE: If I may.

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Commissioner Campbell  
10 and then back to Mr. Meade, please.

11 MR. CAMPBELL: Just very quickly. And  
12 first I should say I think I've been plain, I'm not arguing  
13 in favor of funding this proposal at this stage. What I am  
14 arguing in favor is, can we make it into a good proposal.  
15 And my interest in this is, while I think pink salmon in  
16 general are a recovered resource in Prince William Sound or  
17 the whole spill area, I'd say fishermen are not. And  
18 frankly it's fishermen as opposed to pink salmon that  
19 benefit from a good forecast model. And so that's my  
20 particular interest.

21 I would also offer, if staff and the STAC  
22 are interested in it, I'll make available our -- anyone  
23 from our research staff who is involved in forecasting, if  
24 they can be useful to you in working with them on the  
25 model.

1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Meade.

2 MR. MEADE: I think I guess to clarify my  
3 motion, I think what Kurt -- I think actually all the  
4 comments that have been stated are to the point of the  
5 motion. I guess I would seek latitude for us to move  
6 forward in a financial commitment with a modified proposal

7 that would achieve the aims of the ability to do that  
8 forecasting within the sco -- what I don't have in front  
9 of me is the scope of our current budgetary constraints  
10 within our commitment so far this year. So I guess I'd  
11 need further dialogue with Gail before I would know one,  
12 the accurate cost of the -- well, I guess perhaps we just  
13 need to seek a modified proposal and find out what that  
14 cost is, so I don't know where I'm at.

15 I think we owe it to the project to keep it  
16 moving forward, is I guess my bottom line. How we afford  
17 that within our fiscally constrained refocus with the  
18 interim guidance is the part I would need assistance on  
19 from the council.

20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: What was or what is  
21 the.....

22 MS. PHILLIPS: Amount that you.....

23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: .....budget total that  
24 you were working within bringing this forward?

25 MS. PHILLIPS: 600.....

1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: You were certainly  
2 mindful of that, I know.

3 MS. PHILLIPS: Was it 600 or 650?

4 MS. BANKS: It's -- what was the question  
5 again?

6 MS. PHILLIPS: What was the total amount  
7 that we were looking at for a project this year? Was it  
8 600 or 650?

9 MS. BANKS: The total amount that you were  
10 going to fund was 4.6 million dollars.

11 MS. PHILLIPS: No, just for the new  
12 proposals. For the work for the new.....

13 MS. BANKS: Well, currently right now we've  
14 got 2.2 million obligated from proposals that we funded in  
15 '04 and in '05.

16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So for.....

17 MS. PHILLIPS: But it was either 600 or 650  
18 that was associated with this invitation going out.

19 DR. NORCROSS: The invitation says 600.

20 MS. PHILLIPS: The invitation says 600.

21 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: 600, got it.

22 MR. MEADE: That's our discussion then.

23 MS. PHILLIPS: Right, uh-huh.

24 MR. MEADE: And how much have we committed  
25 to so far?

1 MS. PHILLIPS: You -- 501.

2 MR. MEADE: And the Adams proposal at this  
3 point?

4 MS. PHILLIPS: 108.

5 MR. MEADE: 108. And so I guess.....

6 MS. PHILLIPS: And the ARLIS budget would  
7 be out of this for the work project.

8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Nords -- were you  
9 finished, Mr. Meade?

10 MR. MEADE: Well, I was going to ask for  
11 clarification perhaps from ourselves. I'm just not so  
12 comfortable doing quite all this in such an open forum now.  
13 (Laughter)

14 MR. MEADE: Adams today has asked of us to  
15 give him opportunity to reconsider their proposal. Can we  
16 -- is it within our latitude to provide some basic level  
17 funding and ask of them over the period of time that we're  
18 putting our interim guidance into place, to be able to  
19 carry forward the conceptual development phase of the long  
20 term benefit of their forecasting tool so we can reconsider  
21 a more hardy proposal in time.

22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Nordstrand.

23 MR. MEADE: I guess I'm trying to get  
24 around the concept earlier of funding an organization,  
25 because I really don't believe we should be doing that.  
1 But I do believe it's in our best interest to fund  
2 continued work towards this outcome.

3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Nordstrand.

4 MR. NORDSTRAND: Is it my understanding  
5 that there was no commitment by the trustee council to  
6 funding out years at the time that the original commitment  
7 was made?

8 MS. PHILLIPS: That is correct.

9 MR. NORDSTRAND: And that was clear to the  
10 proposers?

11 MS. PHILLIPS: No, it wasn't. He was under  
12 the impression that because the project was listed for  
13 several years and the science director at that time had  
14 told him that he wanted it to go several years.

15 MR. NORDSTRAND: But it's clear.....

16 MS. PHILLIPS: But the action taken by the  
17 trustee council was only specifically one year funding.

18 MR. NORDSTRAND: And let me ask, is it  
19 outside the norm of our process, elaborate process that we  
20 have here, to go back to proposers without a commitment to  
21 award or with subject to contingencies, I'm understanding  
22 that, but have we done this before where we've gone back to  
23 proposers and said, we kind of -- that's not exactly it.

24 You know, modify your proposal and send us something else

25 MS. PHILLIPS: I'd like Brenda to respond.

1 DR. NORCROSS: Yes, we've done that in the  
2 past and specifically last year we did it to Konar and  
3 Iken. They submitted a revised proposal and it wasn't  
4 funded.

5 MR. NORDSTRAND: So we didn't actually  
6 agree to fund, we simply asked -- did the trustee council  
7 do this?

8 DR. NORCROSS: I would have to think about  
9 that. I don't know if the trustee council did it or the  
10 science director.....

11 MS. PHILLIPS: Science director.

12 DR. NORCROSS: .....did it. I could go  
13 back through my notes and check.

14 MR. NORDSTRAND: And how would we -- I'm  
15 just thinking out loud here -- how would we decided which  
16 of the proposals that are submitted would be eligible for  
17 do-overs, so to speak.

18 MS. PHILLIPS: Well, they would req.....

19 MR. NORDSTRAND: That's what concerns me  
20 here.



21 MS. PHILLIPS: They would make a request to  
22 the staff, we would send it to the -- and normally the  
23 science director would be the one to analyze the request  
24 and make the recommendation. I would go to the staff and  
25 ask for their recommendation on that before I brought it to  
1 the trustee council and said these folks have requested a  
2 modification and additional funds, or et cetera, et cetera.

3 MR. NORDSTRAND: So isn't the STAC  
4 recommending that rather than fund with a contingency the  
5 model that we've used, that we, the trustee council, go  
6 back to them and ask for a modified proposal that's more  
7 consistent with the RFP or our desires?

8 DR. NORCROSS: That is not what the STAC  
9 said because the STAC judged it purely on the science as it  
10 appeared on paper. The STAC isn't opposed to that because  
11 there are some reasons one would fund this that doesn't  
12 look like pure science. For instance, Commissioner  
13 Campbell stating that fishermen are an injured resource.  
14 And they also would tell you from my point of view that  
15 while this doesn't address the specific objectives you've  
16 just put in the interim guidance document, it is synthesis  
17 in that it's building on the 20 million dollars that you  
18 spent on SEA.

19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We had Mr. -- did you  
20 have additional questions?

21 MR. NORDSTRAND: Well, I'm just concerned  
22 about the precedent we're setting and whether or not we're  
23 going to have these same requests coming from the rest of  
24 the folks on the list. I mean if the only real difference  
25 here is that there was an expectation of out year funding  
1 that was not accurate but perhaps there, I'm not sure  
2 that's enough of a distinction for me.

3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Commissioner  
4 Fredriksson was first and then comes Mr. Campbell.

5 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Well, two things. First  
6 of all, as Ken mentioned and McKie said it well -- but Ken  
7 pointed out, I have in my notes, what he touched upon was  
8 the lost economic opportunity that this forecasting could  
9 provide in terms of restoring those services, those human  
10 services, which is one of the toughest nuts to crack I  
11 think in this game. And I was intrigued by that  
12 forecasting link.

13 Having said that, I'd worry about the  
14 slippery slope where we -- if some people come to the  
15 science director or come to Gail or come to Brenda and say  
16 hey, you know, if you didn't like that, I could surely  
17 modify it to make it any way which way you might be happy.  
18 Aren't we being selective then if maybe there are  
19 individuals who walk away and say, well I didn't get  
20 approved by the trustee council, I guess I'd better pack my  
21 bags and I'm done for the day. But I worry about how we  
22 announce this process by which if you don't get approval by  
23 the trustee council, the game isn't over, you can come back  
24 and make a modification and resubmit, if you will.

25 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Go ahead, Mr. Campbell.

1 MR. CAMPBELL: Just very briefly.

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Go ahead.

3 MR. CAMPBELL: And I was really trying hard  
4 to talk less because I know we have a ways to go and a  
5 relatively short time to get there. But I think it's our  
6 job to be selective. And for me, the reason I'm  
7 particularly interested in this, I don't know if  
8 technically they can get there and stuff. I mean, that's  
9 why I have to depend on these first recommendations. But  
10 in terms of what they're trying to do, I think that's very  
11 much -- that's very worthwhile.

12 So, I mean, frankly the way I'd love to see  
13 the whole proposal process evolve is folks send us a, you  
14 know, a one or two page email and says here's what we're  
15 thinking of and we say, sorry we're not interested or yeah,  
16 we might be very interested. Why don't you put in the time  
17 necessary to develop that into a good proposal? Don't  
18 worry, that's not a motion. But I do think that sort of  
19 iterative process is very important. And I'm not concerned  
20 about this proposal because there may have been some  
21 expectation of funding, you know, that's not it for me. It  
22 is if they could really do it, is it really worthwhile. If  
23 they really could, I think it would be. And then I -- but  
24 I need these folks to come back and say, yeah, we think  
25 they have a proposal or don't have a proposal, they could  
1 get there.

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Well, I certainly  
3 understand Commissioner Fredriksson's concerns about a  
4 slippery slope. And I understand yours, Mr. Nordstrand.  
5 On the other hand, we put out a call, we got back  
6 proposals, most if not all were not totally responsive to  
7 what we put out. There has to be some mechanism that we  
8 have before or after we make a funding decision for some of  
9 them to be able to talk to these people to see if we can  
10 make the changes.

11 So, you know, setting aside as you did  
12 expectations in the past, I think the process of having the  
13 ability to go back is necessary. Now where we should put  
14 that in the process in the future is totally up to us along  
15 with the executive director and the STAC and the PC to  
16 figure out. But we're sitting here today, I think that  
17 this discussion is certainly in order and if we choose to  
18 ask the executive director to go back, I don't see anything  
19 wrong with that nor do I see it being a precedent that is  
20 going to ruin our ability to deal with responsive -- either  
21 responsive proposals coming in in the future not proposals  
22 that need a little tweaking. Within the -- I think you  
23 called the very kind of difficult work way that this  
24 council works, it's -- we have to give ourselves what  
25 little flexibility we can. So.....

1 MR. NORDSTRAND: And I'd also.....

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Go ahead, Mr.  
3 Nordstrand.

4 MR. NORDSTRAND: And I would like to just  
5 throw out, you know, what kind of legal obligations do we  
6 have in this process. I mean we're spending state money,  
7 we have a procurement process and I'm not a procurement  
8 expert. I have some who work for me but, you know, how can  
9 we change the process in the middle? And I think we should

10 try to find a way to make it work. I just want to make  
11 sure that we're doing it in a way that's consistent with  
12 the expectations of the RFP, what did the RFP say, what did  
13 it say that the process was going to be.

14 Because I could see, you know, I mean  
15 frankly others could complain and say why don't I get a  
16 chance to do-over? I've got -- you know, there's eight  
17 more of them here or whatever and those folks could easily  
18 ask us the same thing. And one alternative might be, and  
19 we've talked I think to some degree about -- at least I've  
20 thought it's not necessary that the work of the council all  
21 be done, every bit of it, be done in this annual cycle.  
22 That we could perhaps, if we wanted to do a supplemental  
23 request for proposals that would be targeted to what -- you  
24 know, if this is a good idea, we could do a request for  
25 proposals about this good idea, then get a modification.  
1 But not to muddy up this RFP with -- or process with  
2 something that may not be responsive and that may in fact  
3 invite, you know, protest from the others. That would be  
4 my suggestion.

5 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Meade.

6 MR. MEADE: I guess for further discussion,  
7 since we heard strong advocacy from the Public Advisory  
8 Committee and we hear that the STAC is not opposed, I feel  
9 it would be appropriate to put forward a -- and I'll also  
10 suggest because of the expectation from the science  
11 director's past discussions, that this would be a multi-  
12 year proposal. That helps me have traction on that  
13 slippery slope that Kurt spoke about. We have a PI who  
14 submitted a project proposal with earnest expectation from  
15 the science director at that time that this would be a  
16 project that looks to continue.

17 For all those reasons -- and I would  
18 suggest these are state/federal funds to be expended  
19 through EVOS, not through just the state system -- if to  
20 the extent it is ethical and appropriate, I would advocate  
21 that we ask Adams-Mullins for a modified -- a modification  
22 to their proposal and fund this at a maintenance level to  
23 be resumed as we -- it was already approved once as a  
24 multi-year project, let's approve it in its second year at  
25 a maintenance level until we're completed with the interim  
1 guidance and then look to resume.

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: This is the third year.

3 MR. MEADE: This is the third, okay.

4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay, Mr.....

5 MR. MEADE: Thanks for the clarification.

6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Fredriksson.

7 Commissioner Fredriksson.

8 MR. FREDRIKSSON: I had nothing. Yeah,  
9 we're through.

10 MR. CAMPBELL: If I ask.....

11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Go ahead.

12 MR. CAMPBELL: Do we have a specific motion  
13 on the table right now?

14 MS. PHILLIPS: Yes.

15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes.

16 MR. CAMPBELL: Can somebody tell me exactly

17 what the motion is? Is it Mr. Meade's motion?  
18 MS. PHILLIPS: Yes, Joe's and Pete's motion  
19 that the staff get together with the STAC and be requested  
20 to meet with Adams for a proposal to come back for -- to  
21 come back to the trustee council with a modified proposal.  
22 And I hear Joe's words right now, they need to come back  
23 with a maintenance budget. If you want that, you need to  
24 amend the motion.

25 MR. CAMPBELL: Could we add to that motion  
1 as a friendly amendment that in the process of going out  
2 and talking and doing stuff that we also have staff consult  
3 with admin and procurement staff.....

4 MR. MEADE: Yes.  
5 MR. CAMPBELL: .....and make sure we don't  
6 have any problems in that and whether we -- you know, so  
7 that we have a clean process.

8 MR. MEADE: As I even said earlier, to the  
9 extent it's ethical and appropriate to do so, I would agree  
10 completely.

11 MR. HAGAN: It's our contract they're  
12 calling.....

13 MR. CAMPBELL: Huh?  
14 MR. HAGAN: It's a NOAA contract that we --  
15 EVOS funds through them and so the contract is good until  
16 January and we could modify it, amend it, or whatever if  
17 necessary. There's no procurement issue, it's a trustee  
18 decision, so.....

19 MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.  
20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Fredriksson.  
21 MR. FREDRIKSSON: If I might, Madame  
22 Chairman. So NOAA is the sponsor of the existing Adams  
23 project?

24 MR. HAGAN: We're the mechanism through  
25 which they obtain EVOS funds.

1 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Okay. So this might be  
2 then treated -- I was intrigued. While I hate to use the  
3 word supplemental in the state language anyway, project  
4 amendments are always more conducive to my attention  
5 anyway. Is there a possibility that we could treat this  
6 and perhaps provide guidance for staff to have -- engage  
7 Adams and Ross Mullins in terms of an amendment to their  
8 existing project, which we could then revisit as opposed to  
9 a new project. I mean, I'm intrigued by what they did say  
10 about the lost services and the fact that this lost  
11 economic opportunity could be addressed through their  
12 forecasting. I don't think that's -- I'm not sure that's  
13 part of their existing project and if they might through a  
14 project amendment process with NOAA, that might be an  
15 appropriate way of doing it.

16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: There is a request for  
17 an at ease and while you don't usually do that when there's  
18 a motion on the table, we've changed this so much I think  
19 some discussion with perhaps the attorneys and the  
20 executive director about past practices would be advisable.  
21 So we will stand at ease with the motion on the table.  
22 It's a live motion, we'll come back and it will still be on  
23 the table. We're at ease.

24 (Off record - 4:00 p.m.)  
25 (On record - 4:15 p.m.)  
1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Order, please. Mr.  
2 Meade. And Mr. Mullins?  
3 MR. MULLINS: Yes.  
4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I asked the maker of  
5 the motion and we did not feel it necessary to have  
6 additional discussion about the three year versus one year  
7 versus two year. We're very familiar with the argument so  
8 -- and we have -- well, I -- we have closed public comment,  
9 we don't usually take.....  
10 MR. MULLINS: Sure.  
11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: .....comments from the  
12 proposers. So for the moment, we don't have any specific  
13 questions for you. Mr. Meade.  
14 MR. MULLINS: All right. I understand,  
15 Madame Chairman. Thank you.  
16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Thank you. Thank you  
17 for offering. Mr. Meade.  
18 MR. MEADE: I'd like to, one, withdraw the  
19 motion that I had made because I think that there's just a  
20 lot of lack of clarity at this point. And if it's agreed  
21 to withdraw that motion, I propose a motion, and I think  
22 we'll make it straightforward and simple.  
23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Hagan, you made a  
24 second. Would you.....  
25 MR. HAGAN: Yeah, I agree.  
1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. Is anyone  
2 opposed to moving the motion?  
3 (No audible responses)  
4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Hearing no opposition,  
5 we have nothing on the table. Mr. Meade.  
6 MR. MEADE: Well, I'd like to make just the  
7 simple motion that we have been requested to consider  
8 providing opportunity for Adams-Mullins to modify their  
9 proposal and resubmit. And I recommend that we be  
10 responsive to such request.  
11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And is there a time --  
12 do we have a second?  
13 MR. CAMPBELL: Second.  
14 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: We have a second. Is  
15 there a time frame?  
16 MR. MEADE: I think it's essential for the  
17 purposes that it move expeditiously and that we coordinate  
18 very closely with the STAC. As far as establish a hard  
19 time frame, I would have to ask our -- ask Gail and/or the  
20 STAC advisory as to how -- what the time frame should be.  
21 MR. CAMPBELL: Before the next meeting.  
22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Before the next  
23 meeting.  
24 MR. CAMPBELL: A question for staff is  
25 would it be possible to do it before the next meeting?  
1 DR. NORCROSS: In December?  
2 MS. PHILLIPS: No, we could do it before  
3 the next meeting.  
4 DR. NORCROSS: Yeah.  
5 MS. PHILLIPS: I think they have their



6 modification almost all done anyway, so.....

7 DR. NORCROSS: So true.

8 MS. PHILLIPS: And we could do it by  
9 teleconference.

10 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Okay. We have a motion  
11 and we have second. Is there further discussion? Are  
12 there additional questions? Yes, Mr. Nordstrand.

13 MR. NORDSTRAND: My preference, as I said  
14 before, would be to have a separate proposal made, request  
15 for proposals that would be consistent with this kind of  
16 study and perhaps offer other folks an opportunity. Saving  
17 that, I recognize the -- I can see the train leaving the  
18 station here and that's okay. But I will say this, I'm not  
19 going to oppose the motion but I'm not going to commit to  
20 fund. And I'm not -- by this vote, I'm not suggesting in  
21 any way that I will commit to fund. And one of the  
22 considerations I will have upon receiving a modified  
23 proposal is whether or not this process is appropriate.  
24 And that sort of holding back judgment on whether or not  
25 allowing modification in this way is appropriate and I'll  
1 save that for the final vote.

2 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Additional comments?  
3 Are we ready for the question? The motion is to provide an  
4 opportunity for Adams-Mullins to modify and bring their  
5 proposal back to the council, working with the executive  
6 director, the STAC and the staff. All those in favor,  
7 signify by saying aye.

8 IN UNISON: Aye.

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: All those opposed?  
10 (No audible responses)

11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The motion carries.

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Paul Rusanowski  
c/o The Shipley Group, Inc.  
1584 S. 500, Suite 201  
Woods Cross, UT 84010

Dear Dr. Rusanowski:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding.

We conducted an extensive review of your proposal and all others, and decisions were not made easily or lightly. The STAC summary comments [detailed comments appended separately], based on peer reviews received, were that this proposal (1) lacked definitive, measurable milestones, (2) relied on outside, unidentified experts, (3) included inadequate plans for the workshop, (4) paid only lip service the ecosystem concept, (5) poorly presented and justified the budget and (6) did not specifically arrange to engage the expertise of scientists familiar with Prince William Sound and EVOS.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

Attachments: STAC Review

**Rusanowski - Shipley Group – synthesis****060785****Recommendation:** Do not fund.

What is needed is an amended and much reduced proposal that incorporates and coordinates syntheses produced by the experts on the species and services in PWS.

**Responsiveness (10%)**

*Shipley Group* proposes to provide a review of the status of unrecovered and recovering species and the status of lingering oil and its effects in PWS. They propose to meet the time line.

The proposed deliverables, if in fact delivered on schedule, should meet the requirements of the invitation. There will be 25 chapters, an introduction, 23 reviews of individual species and services, and a conclusion.

**Project design/conceptual soundness (40%)**

*Shipley Group* offers both a philosophy (i.e., a cyclic adaptive management approach) and indications that an appropriate list of EVOS-affected species and services will be considered in the review.

The proposed project design depends upon cooperation of experts outside of the *Shipley* staff and its dispersed consultants (Humboldt State University and elsewhere). These outside experts are not identified in the proposal, and the risk is high that they will be unable to cooperate in timely fashion. There needs to be an explicitly stated plan for how these experts will work together and what individual tasks they are assigned. There are no methods stated for generating the synthesis; there are no funds allocated for the scientists to collaborate.

Gathering of people from around Alaska and from sites distributed across the lower 48 for a one-day workshop is not efficient for an information-synthesis workshop lasting only one day. People will not have recovered from travel exhaustion before they are headed home. The workshop, scheduled just three days before the report is due to EVOSTC, appears to imply that no time will be required to synthesize the meeting discussions and to develop an overview from presentations by the reviewers of the status of 23 species. The meeting plan does not provide enough time to gather input from attendees other than the presenters. It is stated that suggestions arising at the workshop will be used to modify the conclusion section of the final report. However, no time has been left for this, given the late date of the workshop. It appears that the workshop is merely to present final results as a formality, with no actual involvement of the experts in PWS.

There are words written that ostensibly link the proposed synthesis to ecosystem-based management, however there is nothing in the study plan that acknowledges or addresses the ecosystem concept. The anticipated result is 23 individual reports. There is no

reference to the three major ecosystem-based projects, SEA, NVP, APEX, that have been funded by EVOS.

The proposal lacks defined project milestones. Explicit stages of progress need to be identified and distributed across the duration of the project to allow course corrections and recurring EVOSTC program oversight.

**Project management (25%)**

Dr. Rusanowski apparently (budget) proposes to commit 10 months to the project, but at only \$1824/month, which is illogical. His net income would be below the poverty level, which is surely not his intention. For \$18,240 it is more likely he intends to commit one to two months to the PWS recovery evaluation. Thus, while the proposal appears to provide for dedicated, focused leadership, a very limited time commitment is intended. This appears to have resulted from misunderstanding by *Shipley* of the standard EVOS budget format.

Problems with budgeting process also have affected presentation of planned remuneration for other *Shipley* staff. None of the other staff have positions that are likely to allow the 7-month commitments listed in the proposal budget.

It is a concern that none of the expert consultants working with the *Shipley Group* listed in the proposal has presented high-level credentials in the subject areas required for an EVOS/PWS status review. The level of personnel excellence may be good, but that is not obvious from the very limited resumes in the proposal. There is very limited expertise included in fishery science, mammology and population-level biology. Expertise in ornithology is better represented, with two workers who have published on seabird issues, and both nearshore biology and population biology are represented. Toxicology is not covered in any credentials presented for the consultants. Roles for several economists are not clearly specified. Overall, the consultants retained for this work by *Shipley Group* do not appear to be consistently appropriate for the proposed tasks.

No evidence is provided that there is a history of this team working together. There is no catalog of their success at previous projects done as the *Shipley Group*. This is a concern, because so many dispersed individuals are involved and required to work semi-independently.

**Project cost effectiveness (15%)**

The proposal is to use \$435,741 for tasks involved in generating the review. Personnel costs consume \$377,270 of the total request. Exactly how tasks are distributed to each of the contributing panel of *Shipley* consultants is unclear. There is no specification of who will do what. If such specification had been included it would indicate that there was serious planning and preparation of the recovery review.

One, one-day workshop is proposed at a cost of \$4,942, which is a low estimate if any travel reimbursement is intended for contributing scientists. Probably that isn't planned, which makes it unlikely that anyone outside of Anchorage would attend. Travel is

budgeted at \$17,550, which should be adequate to bring *Shipley* investigators to Alaska and to bring presenters to the workshop. However, it is not adequate to pay for invitees to attend.

**Project Collaboration and Coordination Efforts (10%)**

As noted above, no arrangements are specified for obtaining the scientific expertise with Prince William Sound and EVOS issues that will be required to produce an excellent review.

**Overall Recommendation**

*The project should not be funded.* We think a different process to obtain the review of EVOS recovery status would be more productive, one with direct and specific access to the experts who know the ecosystem and the history of events following the oil spill. Major modification to address proposal deficiencies should be required before EVOSTC considers a contract with the *Shipley Group* for review of EVOS damage to PWS populations and environment.



# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Nate Bickford  
210 Farewell Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

Dear Dr. Bickford:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I am pleased to tell you that the Trustee Council has recommended your proposal for funding. The Trustees recognized that your proposal did not respond to the Invitation for synthesis proposals; however, because you will be addressing a non-recovering species, Pacific herring, this proposal was recommended for funding by the STAC, PAC, Executive Director and the Trustee Council.

The Trustees found your proposed technique to be "dandy", outstanding and exciting science. They are quite intrigued that you may be able to identify key spawning and separate larval retention areas. This proposed work could be of value to herring recovery by understanding some retention that is theoretically important to strong year classes. The TC thus sees that the result of your research could be a recommendation to open the herring fishery in specific locations, i.e., when the herring spawn in not successful. As such, this proposed work could also be of value to other injured resources, such as the commercial and subsistence fisheries.

Congratulations on this project. We are anxious to see your progress. Our staff will work out the details with the UAF budget office. We anticipate funding to begin on 1 October 2005. Please note that you are obligated to complete brief quarterly reports and that your final report must be submitted by the deadline. Also, as you progress on this work, please work with the scientists who are currently funded to compile the Herring Synthesis (Jeep Rice, PI). You have listed most of these scientists in your proposal.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips, Executive Director, EVOSTC

*Attachments: (1) Transcript of TC meeting; (2) STAC Review*

## **STAC COMMENTS**

**Bickford – unsolicited**

**060782**

Recommendation: Fund as proposed.

Bickford's unsolicited proposal does not respond to the FY 2006 EVOS Request for Proposals, but is potentially a valuable addition to the FY06 work plan. Because herring is not a recovered or recovering species in Prince William Sound, new information on this fishery might help answer the question as to why it has not recovered. The proposed study uses chemical analyses of the herring otoliths to determine the spawning location of herring larvae and path of drift in PWS. While the technique is straightforward it has not been applied previously to this fishery. It will be used to test the validity of the 3-D transport model, which could be critical to the management of herring and its recovery. The proposal has great potential, is exciting science, addresses the herring issue and is moderately priced. The investigator is well versed in the techniques and is very competent to carry out this work. STAC recommends funding this proposal at the requested level.

EXCERPT FROM TC MEETING MINUTES, AUGUST 2005

MR. CAMPBELL: I would move Bickford for  
5 funding.

6 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: I would second. And  
7 I'll take the privilege of the chair and speak to Bickford.  
8 While I recognize that the Bickford proposal for herring  
9 was not specifically responsive to our requests in our  
10 call, in my travels around the spill area, particularly to  
11 Tatitlek, where we did the Wisdom Keepers Conference and  
12 other of the Native villages. One of the species that we  
13 have heard time and time again is that the folks in the  
14 villages are gravely concerned about are the herring. And  
15 it is a species that is not recovering.

16 The PAC, STAC, executive director, all  
17 recommended that the project be funded without  
18 modifications. Science coordinator recommended it not be  
19 funded but we have a proposal before us that three of the  
20 four recommended be funded, understanding that the thinking  
21 was outside the box. We recognize that. I would just urge  
22 the trustees to think about funding this when it's  
23 relatively modest in terms of price and it does go -- in  
24 fact it was described by either the STAC or the PAC as  
25 being kind of an exciting science. So I thought it was --  
1 any time science is exciting, I like it. But -- and that's  
2 a STAC recommendation. Just a moment. But I would just  
3 recommend to the council that we approve the Bickford  
4 proposal.

5 MR. DWORSKY: The only reason I recommended  
6 do not fund on that was because I did not believe it  
7 complied with the invitation.

8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: All right. I  
9 understand.

10 MR. DWORSKY: I think it's a dandy project.  
11 As projects go, that's good. It's got some pizzazz to it.  
12 That's not some new scientific word, so.....

13 DR. NORCROSS: Yeah, I put this in my  
14 notes.

15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Further discussion.

16 MR. DWORSKY: What?

17 DR. NORCROSS: Dandy.

18 MR. DWORSKY: Dandy, yeah.

19 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Meade.

20 MR. MEADE: What about the dandy project  
21 caused it to not comply with the invitation?

22 MR. DWORSKY: I think the invitation called  
23 for a synthesis. I consider this as maybe a little  
24 synthesis but really collecting new information.

25 MR. MEADE: But really what?

1 MR. DWORSKY: Collecting new data.

2 MR. MEADE: New data.

3 MR. DWORSKY: It's a new project.

4 DR. NORCROSS: On samples that are  
5 collected though.

6 MR. DWORSKY: Huh?

7 DR. NORCROSS: On samples that have been

8 collected previously under EVOS funding.

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So it's to data sets we  
10 already have.

11 MR. MEADE: And it sure relates to a  
12 specific injured species.

13 DR. NORCROSS: The samples came from the  
14 SEA program.

15 MR. HAGAN: I guess I'd wonder again on the  
16 potential budget implications. I'm wondering if this is a  
17 decision that could be deferred until the December meeting,  
18 just to see where we come out or -- as opposed to funding  
19 it right now. I guess I'd be in favor of it but I don't  
20 see the -- necessarily the urgency. But anyway, that's the  
21 only concern I guess I would have. It's not a large  
22 project however there isn't much left to work with.

23 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Just a question, we  
24 won't lose the project by deferral, is that correct?

25 DR. NORCROSS: That's correct.

1 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So the data is there.  
2 Mr. Fredriksson?

3 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Well, I -- well, I think  
4 you just answered my question. So this to basically test  
5 or examine herring otoliths on existing samples?

6 DR. NORCROSS: Correct. And Fish and Game  
7 had samples in their freezer in Cordova from 2004 that they  
8 are willing to provide and Fish and Game collected fish for  
9 them in 2005, which is what this proposal asks for. So the  
10 samples exist.

11 MR. FREDRIKSSON: So this would be testing  
12 that technique. So it's not time critical at this time.

13 DR. NORCROSS: Correct.

14 MR. FREDRIKSSON: And then assuming this  
15 technique, this technique of examining these otoliths prove  
16 successful, it would then provide Fish and Game with the  
17 management tools and knowledge that would allow it to  
18 better manage the herring?

19 DR. NORCROSS: That's correct.

20 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Which would then result  
21 in a recovery?

22 (Laughter)

23 DR. NORCROSS: Well, you want me to do your  
24 stock too?

25 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Well, I think right now  
1 we do.

2 DR. NORCROSS: Which would provide another  
3 technique to look at it because what this gets at is trying  
4 to discern from this technique, and it should fit with Ted  
5 Otis' project. If there is a physical location that  
6 produces herring better than another, therefore then the  
7 managers could say, don't fish right there.

8 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Other comments? I  
9 would just say we've heard a lot about injured resources  
10 and one of those injuries being to the local people, the  
11 fishermen and others. And I think that the Native  
12 communities clearly were injured and continue to be  
13 injured, particularly by the lack of herring, which was a  
14 subsistence resource. So that's why I'm bringing it

15 forward. Mr. Fredriksson.

16 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Madame Chairman. Clearly  
17 herring is one of the premiere unrecovered species. But as  
18 I understand it, we also have no herring fishery in Prince  
19 William Sound and have not had for some time. So I'm just  
20 trying to reconcile if we are looking to -- if we are to  
21 address that public concern about how can we get the  
22 herring back, I'm trying to see how this tool could do  
23 anything other than open up a fishery.

24 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Commissioner,  
25 before we go to -- he had a specific question. Mr.  
1 Commissioner.

2 MR. FREDRIKSSON: Just real quick and  
3 perhaps an answer there. If we have better management  
4 tools that allow us to fish more specifically -- the more  
5 we can know about the fishery, actually the sooner we might  
6 be able to open up a fishery without -- otherwise we have  
7 to be extremely cautious, postpone the fishery to try to  
8 help the herring. So this actually might help that. We're  
9 not going to open up one while we damage the herring  
10 fisheries but the better tools we have, the sooner we could  
11 to assure the fishermen.

12 I also, just briefly, should say I have no  
13 problem breaking the cap. As I've said before, if we had  
14 enough good projects, it would -- I'd spend it all right  
15 now. So.....

16 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Nordstrand.

17 MR. NORDSTRAND: I was just wondering, do  
18 we have any reason to believe that this is the best kind of  
19 a proposal or the best way we can spend \$50,000 on recovery  
20 for herring? It seems to me if this is a -- basically as  
21 it's described here, an unsolicited proposal on herring,  
22 that all those other scientists out there who might have  
23 another skookum idea, dandy idea on herring, didn't  
24 participate in this, it's sort of a, you know, one shot  
25 deal. Yours is about herring, we're worried about herring,  
1 it looks like a good idea, let's fund it. And I'm  
2 comfortable with that process here.

3 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Yes. Dr. Norcross.

4 DR. NORCROSS: I could address that because  
5 the issue has been -- there's been call for proposals for  
6 herring work for the last multiple years and we've not  
7 received any proposals, except for Ted Otis', which was  
8 funded because it was herring.

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Meade.

10 MR. MEADE: Well, with the exception that  
11 this does deal with herring and I do know herring is a --  
12 you know, a significantly important species of interest, if  
13 you will, for us. With the exception of that though, I  
14 don't see that this discussion is too much different than  
15 the one we had just a short bit ago about the Adams-Mullins  
16 forecasting proposal. There's a lot of parallels and I  
17 think we need to be consistent.

18 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Except it doesn't need  
19 modification.

20 MR. MEADE: This is true. But it didn't  
21 necessarily fit within the invitation. And it is about



22 forecasting of a sense for herring and where we might fish  
23 or not fish. So I don't know the depth of the proposals,  
24 so I can't speak to the proposal itself.

25 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Mr. Commissioner.

1 MR. CAMPBELL: Madame Chair, if I could. I  
2 think the difference between the two is that while the  
3 Adams-Mullins forecasting goal is a very worthwhile goal, I  
4 think it's worth pursuing to see if it can be made.  
5 Basically on the scientific, technical level when it was  
6 reviewed, everyone had serious questions. And what we've  
7 said is, can you go back and modify and come up with good  
8 science. In this case, at least the recommendations that  
9 I've read, based on the science itself, everyone has said  
10 we think this is outstanding science.

11 MR. NORDSTRAND: Dandy.

12 MR. CAMPBELL: Yeah. Dandy.

13 DR. NORCROSS: Dandy science.

14 MR. DWORSKY: This could -- a new lexicon  
15 of words, I can see.

16 MR. CAMPBELL: Would have pizzazz. And so  
17 there we didn't -- at least I didn't see the need for -- I  
18 don't know what I'd ask them to modify, frankly.

19 MR. MEADE: Thank you.

20 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Any other discussion?  
21 Questions? Mr. Fredriksson.

22 MR. FREDRIKSSON: A question. Madame  
23 Chair. If I'm tracking this correctly, we are -- since we  
24 have adopted such a conservative approach to the herring  
25 where nobody can fish herring and we now have the potential  
1 for a tool that might allow us to open up an area for  
2 herring that would not otherwise jeopardize the herring  
3 stock or its restoration capability, we are then really  
4 pursuing a restoration project for the human service, that  
5 we are damaging by being too conservative in our management  
6 approach, is that.....

7 MR. CAMPBELL: That's correct. You said it  
8 much better than I did.

9 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Very well said plus it  
10 is an important subsistence resource.

11 MR. HAGAN: Yeah, but actually, I mean, I  
12 don't think you're going to open a fishery based on the  
13 otolith chemistry and I think.....

14 MR. CAMPBELL: One tool.

15 MR. HAGAN: Yeah, it just helps to  
16 understand maybe why recruitment hasn't been taking place  
17 effectively. It may help understand why a larval retention  
18 area that used to be there isn't anymore and that is  
19 theoretically critical to strong year classes. I mean it's  
20 a long ways away from allowing a fishery to take place but  
21 it certainly would help understand herring a bit better.

22 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And I'd just like to be  
23 able to go to Tatitlek and say, we hadn't been getting  
24 herring proposals, we got one, everybody thought it was a  
25 great proposal and we're going to try it. It's \$52,000 and  
1 it seems.....

2 MR. CAMPBELL: They're having trouble  
3 hearing you in the back.

4 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Pardon?  
5 MR. CAMPBELL: They're having trouble  
6 hearing you in the back.  
7 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: And it seems well worth  
8 trying for one of the non-recovering resources -- or a  
9 couple of them, so -- further discussion?  
10 (No audible responses)  
11 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: So the motion is to  
12 approve Bickford. All those in favor, signify by saying  
13 aye.  
14 IN UNISON: Aye.  
15 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: Anyone opposed?  
16 (No audible responses)  
17 CHAIRWOMAN PEARCE: The Bickford proposal  
18 has been funded. Thank you all very much. I appreciate  
19 that. Yes, Mr. Campbell.

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Merav Ben-David  
P.O. Box 3166  
University of Wyoming  
Laramie, WY 82071

Dear Dr. Ben-David:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the EVOSTC has not recommended your proposal for funding. While we appreciate your efforts, all levels of review recognized that your proposal did not respond to the Invitation for synthesis proposals. Additionally, the proposed study is for a recovered species, river otter, which is not a target of our research this year.

The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, is that the conceptual design is insufficient. The premise is that a climate change will affect schooling fishes (page 5 references are inadequate), which will then affect river otters and finally affect landscape. However, the proposers have not shown proof that schooling fishes will change with climate. There also is no reference to support the statement that river otters feed on schooling fishes. There is poor coordination because model input on which this is dependent (Kiefer) does not exist. The model as proposed is not predictive; the result should be a nice conceptual model that cannot be disproved for years.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gail Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gail" being more prominent and the last name "Phillips" following in a similar style.

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Dale Kiefer  
3616 Trousdale Parkway  
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0371

Dear Dr. Kiefer:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. While we appreciate your efforts, all levels of review recognized that your proposal is not a true synthesis as requested in the Invitation for proposals, though you did propose to incorporate some of the data into a GIS data base.

The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, is that your design concept was not detailed enough to judge the merits adequately. The PI is doing something similar for NPRB. It is uncertain as to much how much has been developed because results from previous projects were not included in this proposal. The proposed project is expensive, with no projection given of cost to maintain and cost to expand beyond prototype. There is no description of what each person will do; e.g., Evelyn Brown is listed as a consultant, but there is no description of what she will do. There is no outreach, no training of PIs or others to use this. Additionally, the physical presentation of the proposal was poor, i.e., the fonts changed frequently, making it difficult to read.

Funding this project would be premature until EVOS has an overall strategic plan for database management. Making a decision to fund this would require a long-term commitment to EASy, as opposed to ESRI products (such as ArcGIS), which are the standard. This is not a decision to make lightly without a solid database foundation. While we find the concept to be interesting and worthwhile, EVOS needs a work plan developed for data management and then will put out RFP for specifics.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Daniel Esler  
c/o Canadian Wildlife Service  
5421 Robertson Road, RR1  
Delta, British Columbia V4K 3N2 - Canada

Dear Dr. Esler:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. Instead of projects to synthesize individual species, it was decided to fund one overall synthesis. Previously, EVOSTC paid for publication of your summary, which could be the foundation for a revised and updated synthesis. The amount of funding that you requested and the allotted time is more than is needed to write a review of one species.

The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, are that this proposal is excellent. It is well written and clear. You have done all the work and published it already and this just needs to be updated. You are an exceptional young scientist who produces and publishes as promised. The value added beyond what has been published, besides updating a year or two, is the quantitative model. Having a clear conceptual model and adding a quantitative model may or may not help, but it should be investigated. However, there is no form of model in your proposal and nothing to demonstrate that you have modeling experience.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Gail Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gail" being more prominent than the last name "Phillips".

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

James Bodkin  
1011 E Tudor Road, MS 701  
Anchorage, AK 99503-6119

Dear Mr. Bodkin:

*Jim -*

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. While we appreciate your efforts, all levels of review recognized that your proposal is not a true synthesis as requested in the Invitation for proposals, though you did propose to incorporate some nearshore data into a database.

The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, is that the function of database management is a critical issue. However, STAC disagreed that multiple individual databases should be funded. Funding for the data manager should not be within this proposal, but rather as part of the EVOS staff. (See funding recommendation for Bodkin and Dean request for modification that the TC rejected in June 2005.)

Funding this project would be premature until EVOS has an overall strategic plan for database management. While we find the concept to be interesting and worthwhile, EVOS needs a work plan developed for data management and then will put out an Invitation for specifics. Once a plan is in place, the proposers might submit a modified proposal to support the personnel who will work with the EVOS database manager to ensure proper database development. The best synthesis product will be obtained by having expert scientists provide expert advice to assemble the appropriate database.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

*Gail*

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Anne Hoover-Miller  
P.O. Box 1329  
Seward, AK 99664-1329

Dear Dr. Hoover-Miller:

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. Instead of projects to synthesize individual species, it was decided to fund one overall synthesis. Your project would examine harbor seals as a resource and as a subsistence item, however it has the problem of being an expensive single species review. Because of what you have already produced, we expected this project to be less expensive. The amount of funding that was requested and the allotted time is more than is needed to write a review of one species.

This proposal addresses an injured resource, harbor seals, and service, subsistence. Your PIs are capable and have published previous findings. The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, unfortunately are that the proposal is not tight. It is unclear what is being used to develop the work, and it is unclear what products will be produced. Note, when there is a cost share element as with the PIs here, the budget must show what these persons will do and how much time will be matched, i.e., the persons must be accountable and committed for sufficient time to complete the project. This has a strong TEK component and earmarking \$25K for the AK Harbor Seal Commission is good, however, the person at the Harbor Seal Commission who is capable of doing this synthesis must be identified. There are insufficient specific methods given as to how this synthesis will be done or how the subcontractors will work. STAC questions the cost \$25K for TEK.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Gail Phillips'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Gail' being more prominent.

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. David Irons  
1011 East Tudor Road  
Anchorage, AK 99503

Dear Dr. Irons:

*David -*

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. Instead of projects to synthesize individual species, it was decided to fund one overall synthesis.

Both you and Bodkin are experts in your fields for birds and sea otters in Prince William Sound. However, both the STAC and peer reviewer noted an uncomfortable level of casualness in your proposal and a lack of rigor on the part of both scientists. Your methods are almost non-existent. The only place that methods can be found is under "Data Management" and that is apparently taken from another document as it cites figures that are not included here.

The budget seems excessive and does not state who is doing what for all the person months that are requested. The proposal states that a TEK survey will be done, but there is no example of how the survey will be designed and conducted or by whom. The budget requests 12 trips to oil-spill affected communities, yet there are no methods as to what would be done there and where the communities are.

The details included are insufficient to adequately evaluate this proposal and recommend funding. Although you and Bodkin are very competent scientists, the Trustee Council could not recommend funding of the proposal in its present form on that basis alone.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

*Gail*

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

---

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law



# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Jeffery Short  
11305 Glacier Highway  
Auke Bay, AK 99821

Dear Dr. Short:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeff", written over the "Dear Dr. Short:" line.

Thank you for your proposal submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I regret to tell you that the Trustee Council did not recommend your proposal for funding. Instead of projects to synthesize individual components, it was decided to fund one overall synthesis.

Your PIs are fully qualified and have access to all publications and reports. The STAC assumes that the milestones for Objectives 1-4 (assemble, collate, review) will be completed by December 2005, not 2006 as written. The STAC summary comments, based on peer reviews received, are that this proposal does not fully explain what the technique is for acquiring samples under water in sub-tidal areas as the intertidal standard technique is a pit hole. Reviewers disagree with proposers and believe that additional synthesizing statistical analyses do need to be included in a synthesis. The cost of this proposal for updating work that has been funded for years is more reasonable.

Thank you again for your efforts in submitting this proposal. We encourage your participation in our future Invitations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gail", written below the "Sincerely," line.

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director, EVOSTC

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 24, 2005

Dr. Lucinda Jacobs  
INTEGRAL CONSULTING  
7900 se 28<sup>TH</sup> Street, Suite 300  
Mercer Island, Washington 98040

RE: EVOS proposal 060783  
Information Synthesis and Recovery Recommendations for Resources and Services  
Injured by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill

Dear Dr. Jacobs:

Thank you for your proposed submission in response to our 2006 Invitation. I am pleased to tell you that the Trustee Council has recommended funding a modified version of the *Integral* proposal for funding at the level of \$501,400.44. The Council and reviewers appreciated several strengths in your proposal; specifically, the development of the synthesis which was laid out in a reasonable order, the series of workshops in Alaska that included local experts and the inclusion of Dr. Robert Spies, who has many years of experience with EVOS research.

The funding for this project is contingent upon receipt and acceptance of a revised proposal that:

- (1) satisfactorily addresses the concerns of the Trustee Council and the STAC (provided separately);
- (2) provides a more detailed plan to engage contributing scientists who have expertise and experience with the EVOS-affected resources and locations;
- (3) identifies appropriate experts and includes adequate compensation for them within *Integral's* budget;
- (4) plans coordination among experts;
- (5) includes costs associated with the incorporation of scientific experts; i.e., meetings, travel and salary, within the *Integral* budget;
- (6) defines and details how *Integral* will organize and conduct proposed meetings, both with the experts and the public;
- (7) includes the costs associated with the proposed experts and public meetings within the *Integral* budget.

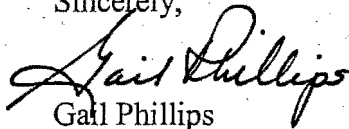
All levels of reviewers acknowledged the need for and advantage that the outside expertise provided by Integral can bring to a multi-species, true damage assessment synthesis.

We look forward to receiving a revised proposal from you. Because of the short time frame, we would like to receive the revised proposal no later than September 16, 2005 and if possible, earlier. I will plan for the Trustee Council to review your revised proposal during a teleconference meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am. Please let me know who from your company will be available either in person or via teleconference to go through the revisions you are submitting and respond to any questions or concerns the Council may have.

Congratulations on this project. We are anxious to see progress and the results of your synthesis. We anticipate funding to begin on 1 October 2005 and my staff will assist in working out the financial details concerning this contract. Please note that you are obligated to complete brief quarterly reports and that your final report must be submitted by the deadline. Also, as you progress on this work, please work with the scientists who are currently funded to compile the Herring Synthesis (Jeep Rice, PI). You have listed most of these scientists in your proposal.

My staff and I stand by ready to assist you in any way you may need.

Sincerely,

  
Gail Phillips  
Executive Director

*Thanks for meeting  
with us yesterday.  
Gail*

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



## Memorandum

Date: August 23, 2005

To: Kris Wright, Department of Admin

From: Paula Banks, EVOS TC

Re: Petty cash closeout

Enclosed is a check for \$2.10 to the State of Alaska (attached). The \$50,00 petty cash account for the EVOS Trustee Council is no longer necessary. A report was submitted in July of 2004 documenting a final petty cash expense in the amount of \$47.90 (attached). The enclosed check for the remaining \$2.10 completes the close out of the EVOS TC petty cash account.

<b>Federal Trustees:</b>	<b>State Trustees:</b>
U.S. Department of the Interior	Alaska Department of Fish and Game
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	Alaska Department of Law

PAULA D. BANKS  
2530 GLACIER STREET PH. 333-0319  
ANCHORAGE, AK 99508

99-7204/3252  
45600454953

No. 2156

DATE 8/22/05

Pay to the order of State of Alaska

\$ 2.10/100

Two dollars and 10/100

DUPLICATE


Denali

2400 LEROUX  
ANCHORAGE, AK 99508

petty Cash Closeout

⑆325272047⑆45 60045495 3⑈ 2156

**FAXED**  
7/26/04

[illegible]

Custodian Signature: 

Audited By: Kenneth W. Thomas

Cash Disbursements 47.90

Total Cash on Hand 2.10

Amount of Fund 50.

FRIGID NORTH COM  
3309 SPENARD RD  
ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

BATCH: 815  
S-A-L-E-S O-P-A-R-T  
74375049  
323050960400

REF: 0026  
CD TYPE: VISA  
TR TYPE: PURCHASE  
INV: 10099372  
DATE: AUG 13, 03 10:45:04

TOTAL \$47.90

ACCT: 476645300023396 EXP: 06/08  
AP: 016222  
NAME: ROBERT J BOCHEN

CARDMEMBER ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF GOODS  
AND/OR SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF THE  
TOTAL SHOWN HEREON AND AGREES TO PERFORM  
THE OBLIGATIONS SET FORTH BY THE  
CARDMEMBER'S AGREEMENT WITH THE ISSUER

THANK YOU

X

Duty  
Crew

11934559 / 11934559 / 74229  
\$47.90  
FY04

# **Frigid North Company** **Electronic Parts Supply**

3309 Spenard Road  
 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99503  
 (907) 561-4633 Fax (907) 563-0836  
 Email: frigid@gcl.net Web: www.frigidn.com

## INVOICE

SOLE TO

Cust.# 100000001  
 CASH SALES  
 3309 SPENARD  
 ANCHORAGE, AK. 99503

21 10:45 AM

PART #	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	PRICE	AMOUNT
MAD510006	CABLE VHDCI75C813	1	47.90	47.90
CHARGE REF	4788-4530-0035-3998 0808			
POTREQ CALL# _____ ADL#/ID# _____				47.90
RECEIVED BY SIGNATURE _____				0.00
PRINTED NAME _____ PHONE # _____				TOTAL 47.90

Charged to VISA by 0020

47.90

Returns for purchases are processed Mon-Fri from 9am to 5pm.  
 All returns or exchanges must always be accompanied by an original receipt.  
 All returns or exchanges must be in new resalable condition.  
 All RETURNS must be done within 7 days from original purchase.  
 All EXCHANGES must be done within 30 days from original purchase.  
 All return items are subject to a 20% restocking fee.  
 Warranty items will be exchanged or sent for repair after 30 days, according to the manufacturer's warranty terms.  
 If the item is not returned within our terms then we will provide you with the manufacturer's information.

R  
e  
m  
e  
m  
b  
e  
r  
  
 W  
e  
  
 D  
e  
l  
i  
v  
e  
r



**FAXED**

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/273-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



## FAX COVER SHEET

To: Allison Dierman Number: 465-6430  
From: Paula Banks Date: 7/26/07  
Comments: Pages: ④ with cover

Ritly Cash Report

HARD COPY TO FOLLOW: \_\_\_\_\_

Document sent by: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* TX REPORT \*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*

TRANSMISSION OK

TX/RX NO 1606  
CONNECTION TEL 19074656430  
SUBADDRESS  
CONNECTION ID  
ST. TIME 07/25 21:32  
USAGE T 01'19  
PGS. SENT 4  
RESULT OK

## Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178

### FAX COVER SHEET



To: Allison Dickmann Number: 465-6430  
From: Paula Banks Date: 7/26/04  
Comments: Pages: ① with cover

Ritty Cash Report

\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\* TX REPORT \*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*

TRANSMISSION OK

TX/RX NO 1608  
CONNECTION TEL 19074656430  
SUBADDRESS  
CONNECTION ID  
ST. TIME 07/25 22:58  
USAGE T 00'46  
PGS. SENT 2  
RESULT OK

## Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



### FAX COVER SHEET

To: Allison Dickman Number: 465-6430  
From: Paula Parks Date: 7/26/04  
Comments: Pages: 2 with cover

Kitly Cash Report -  
I thank you for emailing the form  
to me -  
Have a wonderful day!  
Paula

**FAXED**

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-6012 • fax 907/278-7178



## FAX COVER SHEET

To: Allison Dickerson Number: 465-6430

From: Paula Banks Date: 7/26/04

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_ Pages: 2 with cover

Petty Cash Report -  
I thank you for emailing the form  
to me -  
Have a wonderful day!  
Paula

HARD COPY TO FOLLOW: \_\_\_\_\_

Document sent by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Petty Cash and Change Fund Reports** (Verification and Justification) must be completed and returned through your fiscal/finance officer to the Department of Administration, Division of Finance, by July 23, 2004. If you have questions or require assistance, please contact Kim Shea at 465-5612.

Custodian: <u>Paula Banks</u>	Department: <u>EVOS/ADFG</u>
Ledger Code: <u>11941000</u>	Vendor Code: <u>PCF 11013</u>
Amount: \$ <u>50.00</u>	

**SECTION I, VERIFICATION:**

This portion of the report is to be completed by someone other than the custodian of the fund.

I have verified the petty cash/change fund account on 7/26/04 (date) in the custody of Paula Banks (custodian), and find that the fund total, including unreimbursed invoices, is \$ 50.00.

Cash on Hand: \$ 2.10  
Unreimbursed Invoices: \$ 47.90  
Checking Account Balance: \$ —  
Total: \$ 50.00

**FAKED**  
7/26/04

The fund is located in Anchorage (City) and is used as a:  
☒ Petty Cash Fund ☐ Change Fund

If a bank account is involved, please attach to this verification a copy of the statement N/A (date) and your N/A (date) reconciliation.

Signature of Verifier (Other than Custodian):

Shirley Womack

**SECTION II, JUSTIFICATION:**

This portion of the report is to be completed by the fund custodian. Please answer all questions.

1) What products or services do you procure that must be paid in cash rather than a state issued credit card, field warrant, or other available payment methods?

MISC Office Supplies Postage due, etc...

2) What is the approximate amount of these "cash only" purchases per month? \$6-50

3) Do you or anyone in your immediate work area have a state issued credit card or the authority to issue field warrants? yes (credit card)

Signature of Fund Custodian:

Paula Banks

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 15, 2005

Vern McCorkle  
1905 East 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Dear Mr. McCorkle: *Vern -*

Congratulations! During the August 10, 2005 Trustee Council meeting you were selected for appointment to the Public Advisory Committee (PAC) by the members of the Council. Your name has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for confirmation.

After the appointment is finalized in September or early October, an orientation meeting will be scheduled in Anchorage at the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council's office to brief you on your responsibilities and your role as a PAC member. Prior to the meeting you will receive a briefing binder of background materials and current projects recently funded by the Trustees.

I look forward to working with you over the next year. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gail Phillips  
Executive Director

*I'm glad this worked out. We are looking forward to your membership on the Committee.*

Cc: Doug Mutter, Designated Federal Officer, USDOl

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 15, 2005

Kurt A. Eilo  
4820 Leah Court  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

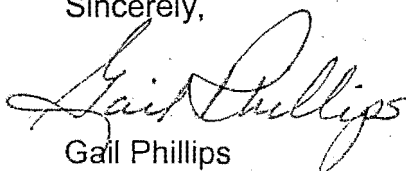
Dear Mr. Eilo:

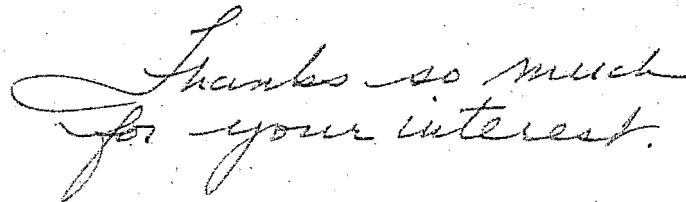
Congratulations! During the August 10, 2005 Trustee Council meeting you were selected for appointment to the Public Advisory Committee (PAC) by the members of the Council. Your name has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for confirmation.

After the appointment is finalized in September or early October, an orientation meeting will be scheduled in Anchorage at the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council's office to brief you on your responsibilities and your role as a PAC member. Prior to the meeting you will receive a briefing binder of background materials and current projects recently funded by the Trustees.

I look forward to working with you over the next two years. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
Gail Phillips  
Executive Director



Cc: Doug Mutter, Designated Federal Officer, USDOl

# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

441 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 500 • Anchorage, Alaska 99501-2340 • 907/278-8012 • fax 907/276-7178



August 11, 2005

Mr. Charles P. Meacham  
9509 Wheeler Avenue  
Gig Harbor, WA 98332

Dear Mr. Meacham:

*Chuck -*

Chuck, you will never know how very much we have appreciated all the time, effort and personal commitment you have made and given to EVOSTC for so many years. Your thoughtful and calm approach to contentious issues certainly helped to get the Council and the PAC through many tense moments. Your efforts have created a legacy that others can and hopefully will follow. The Trustees depended on you and you didn't let them down and we've all benefited from your involvement. The PAC was a much more credible and functioning organization with your leadership.

Please accept our gratitude and this small token of our appreciation for all of your efforts. I know your heart will always be with the Council and I appreciate it that you tried to remain a member, as difficult as it must have been for you. Please know that you are always welcome at all of our meetings and we hope that you can attend them when you are back in Alaska.

Sincerely,

*Gail*  
Gail Phillips  
Executive Director

GP/rb  
Enclosures  
(Certificate of Appreciation and Sea Grant book)

*I hope you and your family will be very happy in this new phase of your lives. Please give your folks and your wife my best. Thanks for everything you've done to help EVOS.*  
*Gail*

#### Federal Trustees

U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### State Trustees

Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation  
Alaska Department of Law





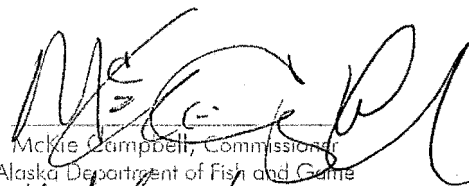
# Certificate of Appreciation


The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
extends our deep appreciation to

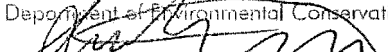
## Chuck Meacham

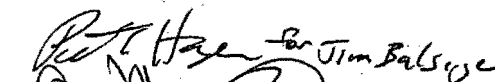
for your contribution to restoration of the resources and services injured by the Exxon Valdez oil spill  
as a Chair and member of the Public Advisory Committee during the years of 1996-2005.

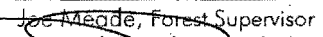
August 2005


  
McKie Campbell, Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game

  
Kurt Fredrickson, Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

  
Scott Nordstrand, Deputy Attorney General  
Alaska Department of Law

  
James Balsiger, Administrator  
Alaska Region, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

  
Joe Meade, Forest Supervisor  
U.S. Department of Agriculture - U.S. Forest Service

  
Drue Pearce, Senior Advisor  
U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary for Alaskan Affairs