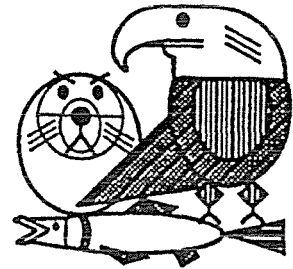


# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

Restoration Office

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Trustee Council

**THROUGH:** Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

**FROM:** *Traci*  
Traci Cramer  
Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 21, 1995

**RE:** Financial Report as of February 28, 1995

Attached is the Statement of Revenue, Disbursements and Fees, and accompanying notes for the *Exxon Valdez* Joint Trust Fund for the period ending February 28, 1995.

The following is a summary of the information incorporated in the notes and contained on the statement.

Joint Trust Fund Account Balance	\$109,136,814	
Less: Commitments (Note 6)	\$31,319,584	
Less: Restoration Reserve Balance	\$24,000,000	
Plus: Adjustments (Note 8)	<u>\$2,962,310</u>	
Uncommitted Fund Balance		\$56,779,540
Plus: Future Exxon Payments (Note 1)	\$490,000,000	
Less: Future Reimbursements (Note 3)	<u>\$26,300,000</u>	
Total Estimated Funds Available		\$520,479,540

If you have any questions regarding the information provided please give me a call at 586-7238.

attachments

cc: Restoration Work Force  
Bob Baldauf

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### Trustee Agencies

State of Alaska: Departments of Fish & Game, Law, and Environmental Conservation  
United States: National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, DISBURSEMENT, AND FEES  
**EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL JOINT TRUST FUND**  
As of February 28, 1995

**DRAFT**

	Federal Fiscal Years Ending September 30			To Date	Cumulative
	1992	1993	1994	1995	Total
<b>REVENUE:</b>					
Contributions: (Note 1)					
Contributions from Exxon Corporation	90,000,000	250,000,000	70,000,000		410,000,000
Less: Credit to Exxon Corporation for clean-up costs incurred		(39,913,688)			(39,913,688)
Total Contributions	90,000,000	210,086,312	70,000,000	0	370,086,312
Interest Income: (Note 2)					
Exxon Corporation escrow account	831,233				831,233
Joint Trust Fund Account	596,000	1,378,000	3,736,000	2,456,472	8,166,472
Total Interest	1,427,233	1,378,000	3,736,000	2,456,472	8,997,705
Total Revenue	91,427,233	211,464,312	73,736,000	2,456,472	379,084,017
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>					
Reimbursement of Past Costs: (Note 3)					
State of Alaska	29,267,842	29,000,000	25,000,000		83,267,842
United States	24,726,280	36,117,165	6,271,600		67,115,045
Total Reimbursements	53,994,122	65,117,165	31,271,600	0	150,382,887
Disbursements from Joint Trust Account: (Note 4)					
State of Alaska	6,559,200	18,529,113	44,546,266	19,434,190	89,068,769
United States	6,320,500	9,105,881	- 6,008,387	8,252,361	29,687,129
Total Disbursements	12,879,700	27,634,994	50,554,653	27,686,551	118,755,898
<b>FEES:</b>					
U.S. Court Fees (Note 5)	23,000	154,000	364,000	267,418	808,418
Total Disbursements and Fees	66,896,822	92,906,159	82,190,253	27,953,969	269,947,203
Increase (decrease) in Joint Trust	24,530,411	118,558,153	(8,454,253)	(25,497,497)	109,136,814
Joint Trust Account Balance, beginning balance	0	24,530,411	143,088,564	134,634,311	
Joint Trust Account Balance, end of period	24,530,411	143,088,564	134,634,311	109,136,814	
Commitments: (Note 6)					(31,319,584)
Restoration Reserve: (Note 7)					24,000,000
Adjustments: (Note 8)					2,962,310
Uncommitted Fund Balance					56,779,540
Remaining Reimbursements: (Note 3)					(26,300,000)
Total Estimated Funds Available					520,479,540

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, DISBURSEMENTS AND FEES  
FOR THE *EXXON VALDEZ* JOINT TRUST FUND  
As of February 28, 1995

1. Contributions - Pursuant to the agreement Exxon is to pay a total of \$900,000,000.

Received to Date	\$410,000,000
Future Payments	\$490,000,000

2. Interest Income - In accordance with the MOA, the funds are deposited in the United States District Court, Court Registry Investment System (CRIS). All deposits with CRIS are maintained in United States government treasury securities with maturities of 100 days or less. Total earned since the last report is \$873,472.

3. Reimbursement of Past Costs - Under the terms of the agreement, the United States and the State are reimbursed for expenses associated with the spill.

Reimbursements to Date	\$150,382,887
Remaining Reimbursements	
United States	\$3,000,000
State of Alaska	\$23,300,000

4. Disbursements from the Joint Trust Account - There are no pending court requests.

5. Fees - CRIS charges a fee of 10% for cash management services. Total paid since the last report is \$87,417.

6. Commitments - Includes \$24,956,000 for the Trustee Council's contribution toward the Alaska Sealife Center in Seward and \$6,363,584 for the final two installments (plus interest) for the Seal Bay purchase. The contributions for the Alaska Sealife Center will be made in September 1995 and 1996, with the Seal Bay payments due in November 1995 and 1996.

7. Restoration Reserve - The required documentation for establishment of the reserve has not been filed.

8. Adjustments - Under terms of the Agreement, both interest earned on previous disbursements and prior years unobligated funding or lapse are deducted from future court requests. Since the last court request \$324,686 in interest have been earned and \$2,637,624 have been reported as unobligated for the 1992 and 1993 Federal Fiscal Years.

	Interest	Lapse
United States	\$3,849	\$240,859
State of Alaska	\$320,837	\$2,396,765

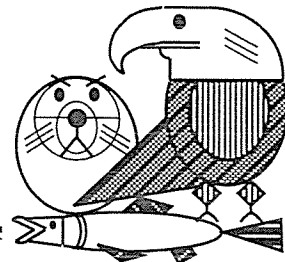
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

RE: Authorization -- Project 95001/Condition and Health of Harbor Seals

DATE: March 21, 1995

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95001/Condition and Health of Harbor Seals, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer  
Dean Hughes

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Trustee Agencies

State of Alaska: Departments of Fish & Game, Law, and Environmental Conservation  
United States: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

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March 21, 1995

Mr. Dean Hughes  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, AK 99518-1599

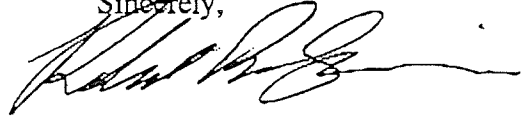
VIA FAX and Mail

RE: Detailed Project Description for Project 95001 (Recovery of Harbor Seals from EVOS:  
Condition and Health Status)

Dear Dean:

We received the review of the above project in our office on March 2, 1995, and this review was forwarded by Dr. Gunther to Dr. Castellini for his comments. Dr. Castellini responded with a carefully documented and thoughtful response, and he and Dr. Gunther had an additional conversation regarding certain issues raised by the reviewer this morning. After considering Dr. Castellini's responses, I believe he has addressed the questions raised in the review. At this time I am recommending to the Executive Director that project 95001 be authorized for full funding.

Sincerely,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

cc: Molly McCammon  
Michael Castellini



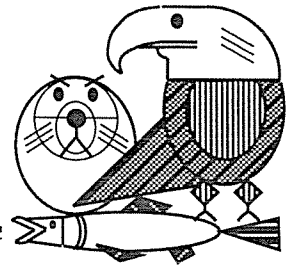
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan\ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

DATE: March 22, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95427/Harlequin Duck Recovery Monitoring

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95427/Harlequin Duck Recovery Monitoring as described in the revised Detailed Project Description (February 24, 1995) and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

### Attachments

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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Trustee Agencies

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United States: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

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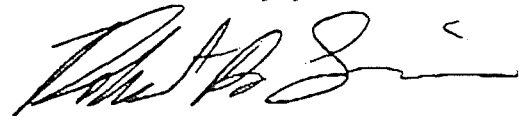
March 21, 1995

Dr. Joe Sullivan  
Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99519-1599

Dear Joe,

I have received a reply and a revised DPD from Dr. Dan Rosenberg regarding questions that I had raised in my letter of 2/6/95 after the first round of review on his project "Harlequin duck recovery monitoring" (95427). The revised DPD has adequately addressed the reviewer's and my concerns regarding presentation of caveats surrounding reproductive work on harlequin ducks in PWS. I am disappointed that he was unable to identify any budgetary reductions. I will refer the budget to Traci Cramer for possible further review. Based on the technical content of the proposal I am recommending that the Executive Director release the funds for this project. I hope that Dr. Rosenberg and his fellow biologist have a successful field season.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: M. McCammon  
T. Rothe  
D. Hughes  
D. Rosenberg



# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

### DIVISION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

TONY KNOWLES, GOVERNOR

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99518-1599  
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February 22, 1995

Dr. Robert Spies  
Applied Marine Sciences  
2155 Las Positas Court  
Suite S  
Livermore, CA 94550

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STATE OF ALASKA  
FISH & GAME  
HABITAT & RESTORATION

Dear Dr. Spies:

Thank you for your review and comments on the detailed project description for "Harlequin Duck Recovery Monitoring" (project 95427). I have attached a revised DPD that addresses the concerns of the peer reviewer.

I have removed most references to oil exposure and investigations of physiological effects. I agree that more work on reproductive physiology is not necessary at this time. I only wanted to leave that door open because we have yet to receive results from Dr. Fry. I included the other "declarations of investigative avenues" because I felt reviewers should be aware of some of the limitations and if they felt they were important enough to pursue, then I would be willing to investigate some of these avenues.

There is still much uncertainty regarding the monitoring schedule. Last April 13, at the interdisciplinary workshop, the Bird Working Group reviewed the status and monitoring needs for all injured bird resources and recommended harlequin duck breeding population surveys every three years beginning in FY95 and annual brood surveys for a 5-year period from FY95 through FY99. This proposed schedule was published in the Draft FY95 Work Plan.

After classifying males by age last spring, it became apparent that one and two year old birds are present in western PWS in spring. At the last workshop I presented this information and discussed it in the context of a monitoring program, i.e. would the proportion of immature birds in the population each spring be a good indicator of past reproductive success, perhaps replacing brood surveys, or a valuable addition to brood surveys. There were many other issues to discuss and we never resolved this one, but after the 1995 field season we will have more information that will aid us in establishing an effective and efficient monitoring schedule. Given this new information I think it would be worthwhile to discuss and resolve plans for a future monitoring schedule. This year we plan on comparing oiled and non-oiled areas in spring and fall using the methods developed and tested in 1994. The proposed monitoring schedule only includes fall (brood) surveys in 1996 and 1997 and thus will cost considerably less.

February 22, 1995

I think there are places where we can reduce the budget and I have no intention of spending beyond what is necessary for conducting the proposed surveys. There are also budget items I neglected to include, some I underestimated, and some I overestimated (e.g. gasoline) and some I just guessed at until I could issue a "Request For Proposals" or Professional Services Contract. I have accurate records from last summer of every dollar that was spent and what it was spent on. But I have not conducted the project for a whole summer and do not have decent records from the years before I became PI on which to make some estimates. At this time I am very reluctant to cut the project 15% across the board without some guidance from peer reviewers or yourself as to whether we should reduce survey coverage or eliminate some other aspect of the project should it be necessary.

The personnel time reflects what we expect to spend on the project with some minor rearranging. If we conduct the full breadth of surveys we will need two Techs each for 6 months, and 1 WBI for 2 months. The additional Tech time would come from my 9 months. The report writing costs include the use of some Tech time for data compilation and some WBI time for analysis.

I would be happy to, and prefer to, discuss the budget or any other aspect of the project with you, rather than address it line by line in a letter, and then decide where we can make changes. Thank you for your time and effort in reviewing this DPD.

Sincerely,



Dan Rosenberg

cc: Joe Sullivan  
Molly McCammon  
Tom Rothe  
Dean Hughes

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S C Dr. Joe Sullivan

Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99519-1599

February 6, 1995

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Dear Joe,

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

The detailed project description for "Harlequin duck recovery monitoring" (95427) has completed initial peer review. The reviewer had some problems with the project description which persuaded me to read it in more detail. I think these problems arise from the history of this project and Dan Rosenberg's attempt to be as careful as possible in qualifying what will be accomplished in this project. Specifically, there are numerous instances where Dan tells us what will not or can not be accomplished in the coming year. Such displays of scrupulous honesty should not be discouraged and they could be retained in a rewritten and rearranged text. I would suggest that the DPD start with a simple introduction that states that harlequin ducks were killed by the spill and there is some evidence that indicates perhaps there is a problem with their productivity in Western Prince William Sound. This project is simply meant to monitor the population in that part of the Sound as best we know how. Then most of the history and caveats could be relegated to the background and discussion sections. There are some other comments on the enclosed review, most of which are minor, that should be considered in revision.

At this time I do not see that further work on reproductive physiology is warranted. There were not definitive results forthcoming from the substantial efforts made in 1993 and I do not see that a larger effort (=killing more birds in May and June) is possible or justified. Perhaps in several years it might be worth doing some P-451A analyses again to determine if there are still differences in oil exposure between eastern and western Prince William Sound. There also needs to be some sort of effort made to project a monitoring schedule for harlequin ducks that is less than yearly.

The overall project costs appear to be quite high for a monitoring project. The total cost for 1995 will be \$226.9 with another \$77 allocated for report writing in 1996. In particular, the personnel costs of \$126 seem excessive. Why are we paying a whole month of Tom Rothe's time? Will it really take 9 months of Dan Rosenberg's time to manage this project, in addition to the \$77 projected for report writing in 1996? I would also estimate that the job could be done with 5 months of a field technician's time rather than 10 months. I am also very suspicious of round numbers, such as the \$10,000 requested for the 2 video units? Sounds as if they have made a guess as to the costs of these items. Does ADF&G or other Trustee agencies already have video units purchased with oil spill funds that could do the job? I do



not know the exact capability you need but both DNR and both DEC purchased top quality video units in 1989 and 1990. Call Dr. Art Weiner (at 278-8012) for access to the DEC video unit. Ten thousand gallons of gasoline was requested for this project. This seems excessive, please reconsider and/or justify. My recommendation is that ADF&G resubmit the budget with at least a 15% reduction for the remaining 1995 fiscal year.

I look forward to receiving the revised DPD at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

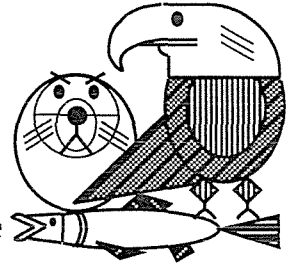
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T. Rothe

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon,  
Executive Director

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95166/Herring Natal Habitats

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95166/Herring Natal Habitats, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached). The Chief Scientist has recommended against funding the contract with the University of Washington for experimental work on embryo survival, as this work cannot be applied to clarifying the damage caused by the oil spill and cannot readily be applied to the management objective of improving predictions of year class strength. Reducing the scope of the project in this way will result in a reduction in the project's cost (approximately \$59,000), and the savings should be lapsed to the joint trust fund at the end of the fiscal year.

Please call me if you have any questions about this authorization.

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer  
Bill Hauser

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Trustee Agencies

State of Alaska: Departments of Fish & Game, Law, and Environmental Conservation  
United States: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

March 20, 1995

Dr. Bill Hauser  
Assistant Program Manager  
Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99518-1599

Dear Dr. Hauser,

I have now received the reviews of the detailed project description for "Herring Natal Habitats" (95166), and Andy Gunther and I have had several discussions with ADF&G staff. In addition, I have received a copy of two memos regarding the egg loss portion of the project, one from John Wilcock to Joe Sullivan and one from Mary Anne Bishop to John Wilcock (received in my office on March 14, 1995). The reviewers found that this study had great merit and were generally supportive of the project. There were a number of issues raised by the reviewers worth reiterating here:

1. There is a healthy skepticism that the acoustic surveys for stock assessment will provide a definitive or even better basis for stock assessment. It appears more realistic to expect that this will be another tool, like the spawn deposition surveys, that will provide managers with more information but not necessarily a more accurate stock size estimate.
2. The issue of the translation of the physical acoustic echo signal into fish biomass is one that is crucial to accurately estimating stock size. The DPD describes in a general way how this will be done. Careful attention to this point is expected during 1995.
3. There remain significant concerns about the accuracy and utility of the egg loss studies, as have been raised before. To the extent that further egg loss studies can provide information to improve backcast spawning biomass estimates, they are in my mind justified as improving the basis for management decisions.

My recommendations on project 95166 following the Herring Workshop were included in a memo dated September 26, 1994. This memo was widely distributed to the agency liaisons and included with the DPD instructions. Relative to approval of this DPD there are two points from the memo that need to be raised.

First, the fifth recommendation of the September 26, 1994 memo was: "Gathering information on egg loss and embryo mortality in the natal habitat project is of lower priority. It is unlikely that such studies will contribute anything to the overall improvement of year-class strength predictions; the

best predictor is likely to be 0+ age class abundance. " Given the Trustee's goal of improving year-class strength predictions for herring, I believe it is essential that the egg loss work that goes forward in 1995 be directed toward that goal.

Based upon my conversation with Mr. Wilcock and others, it is my understanding that the \$154,000 directed toward egg loss studies has the following objectives:

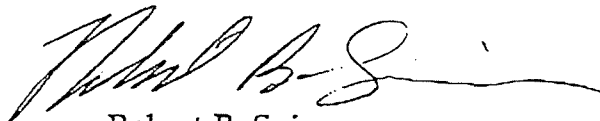
- 1) Improving the egg loss correction factor that is currently part of the estimation of spawning biomass;
- 2) Support the avian predation project (95320Q) through provision of data and sharing field platforms;
- 3) Develop an embryo survival model that will include the egg loss correction factor and will provide an estimate of embryo survival in different spawning habitats that will (a) focus the juvenile herring investigations (95320T) and (b) provide a data to initialize a herring population model (95320J).
- 4) Develop a model that relates historic recruitment success to biological and environmental variables.

Objectives 3 and 4 will be carried out by UAF and University of Washington under contract to ADF&G. Embryo survival model development will be a small part of the contract with the University of Alaska and a logical by-product of the other work undertaken by Dr. Quinn's laboratory on improving egg loss estimates for the purposes of improving spawning biomass estimates. The fact that this work is already underway also makes it difficult to suggest that it be halted. Therefore this aspect of the work is recommended to go forward. However, the other aspect of the herring embryo survival model involves the quantification of embryo survival through experimental exposures to such factors as ultra-violet radiation. This is the work proposed for Dr. Dick Kocan of the University of Washington. This work cannot be applied to clarifying the damage caused in 1989 by the oil spill and its results cannot readily be applied to the management objective of improving predictions of year class strength. This work seems to have the least justification of any in regards to helping management. I therefore cannot recommend that the contract for experimental work with the University of Washington be approved.

Second, in my summary and recommendations to the Executive Director I stated that "Management and coordination (of the herring work) needs to be immediately improved in order for the work to move forward in a efficient manner--a coordinator and chief investigator needs to be identified." Apparently, this step has not been accomplished to date as I would have hoped.

I am pleased to recommend to the Executive Director that this project be funded at a level that does not include the contract with the University of Washington. The comments of the reviewers are enclosed. Good luck to this well qualified and enthusiastic group of investigators.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

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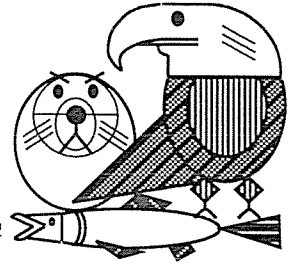
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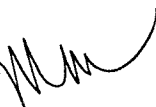
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Catherine Berg/DOI-USFWS

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95041/Introduced Predator Removal From Islands  
(Follow-up Surveys)

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95041/Introduced Predator Removal From Islands (Follow-up Surveys) as described in the revised Detailed Project Description (February 10, 1995) and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist.

I would like to make one comment on the budget. The project leader, Vernon Byrd, has indicated that he will check on the possibility of using equipment previously purchased by the Trustee Council before purchasing any new equipment. I appreciate this effort toward cost containment and efficiency, and ask that any savings from this effort be lapsed to the joint trust fund at the end of the fiscal year.

### Attachments

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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Trustee Agencies

State of Alaska: Departments of Fish & Game, Law, and Environmental Conservation  
United States: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

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March 21, 1995

Cathrine Berg  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1011 East Tudor Rd.  
Anchorage, AK 99503

Dear Cathrine,

Regarding the approval of the detailed project description for "Introduced predator removal from islands" (95041), I received a copy of a memo from Vernon Byrd to you dated February 10, 1995, an accompanying letter from you to me dated February 24, 1995 and a revised project description. Dr. Byrd has addressed the concerns of the reviewer with regard the technical content of the DPD and the concerns that I had regarding the equipment budget. I am recommending to the Executive Director that this project be approved for funding as proposed. Good luck to the Mr. Bailey and his associates with the planned work this field season; they are accomplishing something concrete in restoration.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: M. McCammon  
V. Byrd





IN REPLY REFER TO:

# United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge  
2355 Kachemak Bay Drive, Suite 101  
Homer, Alaska 99603



## MEMORANDUM

Date: February 10, 1995

To: Katherine Berg, USFWS, Anchorage

From: Vernon Byrd, AMNWR, Homer *Vernon*

Subj: Response to review of the detailed project description for "Introduced predator removal from islands" (95041)

Attached is a revised detailed project proposal for the oystercatcher and guillemot restoration project which includes removing introduced foxes from two of the Shumagin Islands. I appreciate the review comments, and I have incorporated all the suggested changes.

1. On page 2, Introduction, I changed the word "annihilation" to "removal".
2. On page 4, Oystercatcher and Guillemot Surveys, I rewrote the paragraph to more clearly reflect our intent to use identical methods for counting birds as were used in 1994 (as described in subparagraphs ii and iv of this section).
3. On page 8, The question about Atkins and Herendeen being equivalent to Bird island as a control is one we spent a good deal of time considering. There are no other fox-free islands near Simeonof and Chernabura that would be suitable for controls. Nevertheless, we recognized the possibility that broader comparisons may be useful. In the report for the 1994 season, we reviewed all previous counts for islands along the south side of the Alaska Peninsula to get some idea of the range in densities in this part of the world. This helps to evaluate the treatment effect of removing foxes. Furthermore, the real test will be to check Simeonof and Chernabura 5-10 years from now to see what happens there.
4. I agree that 2 replicates are not enough, I raised it to 3 and we will try to get 4 or 5 if the weather allows.

Regarding Dr. Spies comments about the budget, I believe he may have looked at the wrong column when he questioned the need for

\$16,000 in FY1996. We were requesting that amount in FY1995 for personnel costs associated with the planning, logistics coordination, and field work. The total budget we asked for in FY1996 was only \$6,900. That would be to write the final report and deal with all the correspondence and requests for information from the EVOS establishment.

Bob's questions about the need for more trapping equipment are certainly reasonable, but unfortunately, trapping equipment is consumed in one year. The method we use is to leave traps out (they are usually set in such a way that they are largely selective for foxes) to try to catch any remaining animals after we depart. All traps either are destroyed by high seas in winter or they rust to the point of not being usable again. We do not plan to buy many traps, but we need some in case animals remain during our rechecks this spring. Furthermore, the lures and other trapping equipment have to be replaced.

The equipment budget is intended largely to repair equipment used in the project. For instance radios need to be checked by the dealer each year after use, survival suits need to be pressure tested, inflatable boats need bottoms repaired, tents need to be patched, and rain gear and boots need to be replaced. I do appreciate the suggestion about borrowing equipment from other projects, and we will check on the possibility. Nevertheless, I doubt we will save much of the projected costs because the majority is normal maintenance and repair.

I have carefully evaluated all of the budget items, and I believe the budget is reasonable. I doubt if we could do the project for less. As it stands, Ed Bailey has recently retired. He has agreed to volunteer to go back out to the Shumagins this spring, but we no longer have him on staff to do the planning and other work associated with this contract. We were providing his labor at no cost to the restoration project in the past. I will take the lead now, but I have to depend on temporary people to accomplish much of the field work.

Please contact me if there are additional questions.

APPLIED

*Katherine*

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Katherine Berg

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1011 E. Tudor Rd.

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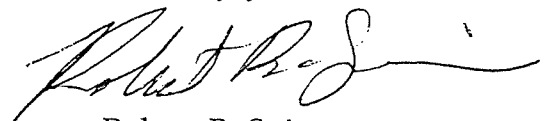
Dear Katherine,

Enclosed is the review of the detailed project description for "Introduced predator removal from Islands" (95041). This project was very favorably reviewed and appears to be a worthwhile project. The review is enclosed.

Before I recommend approval of this project to the Executive Director I want to see the budget reexamined. I am sure that much of the camping equipment is probably available from completed Trustee Council projects. I would start with ADF&G Cordova office to find the camping equipment (past TC work at fish weirs), or with the Anchorage Office for the river otter and harlequin duck projects (they had 2 camps in 1993), or with those that did the killer whale work (Craig Matkin or Marilyn Dahlheim). Why can't the trapping equipment used last year be reused? Do we need to buy more? The refurbishing costs for the motors, radios and binoculars are certainly warranted. Anything that can be done to achieve savings on equipment or other costs would be appreciated. Why do we need to spend \$16,000 next year on this project. We do not need an elaborate report written. A long memo describing what was done in the summer of 1995 could be written in a day or two after the technicians leave the field and distributed before the end of 1995. I do not see that we need to expend funds in 1996 on this project.

I look forward to receiving a leaner budget in the near future; I should be able to formulate a recommendation soon thereafter.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

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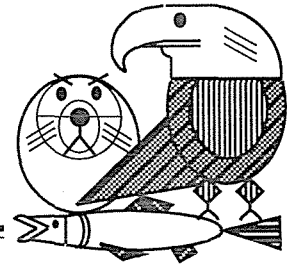


# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Catherine Berg/DOI-USFWS

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95021/Seasonal Movement and Pelagic Habitat  
Use by Common Murres from the Barren Islands

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95021/Seasonal Movement and Pelagic Habitat Use by Common Murres from the Barren Islands, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

I would like to reiterate the Chief Scientist's comment about using, whenever possible, existing equipment previously purchased by the Trustee Council. Until an integrated, centralized inventory of Trustee Council equipment held by all Trustee agencies is completed, I am asking the liaisons to contact the other Trustee agencies (in the case of the Zodiac and outboard motors, probably Joe Sullivan and Bruce Wright) regarding the availability of equipment before any purchases are made.

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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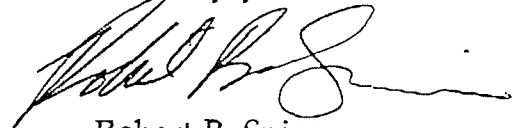
March 21, 1995

Ms. Cathrine Berg  
Department of the Interior  
1011 E. Tudor Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Dear Cathrine,

Thank you for the recent correspondence on "Seasonal movements and pelagic habitat use by common murrelets from the Barren Islands" (95021). Dr. Hatch's efforts to determine if a serviceable motor or inflatable boat previously purchased by the Trustee Council would be available for this project is appreciated. I hope that he is able to find a serviceable vessel and motor, but understand that a purchase may be necessary. I am now recommending to the Executive Director that this project be funded as requested.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: S. Hatch  
M. McCammon

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Ms. Katherine Berg  
Department of the Interior  
1011 E. Tudor Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

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TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Katherine,

Enclosed are the peer review comments on the project "Seasonal movements and pelagic habitat use by common murrelets from the Barren Islands" (95021). The project was very favorably reviewed and should go forward as planned. There were a few questions raised in the review, which I enclose.

I have several comments on the budget. First, I commend the investigators for submitting a reasonable 1995 budget. The only comment that I have on the 1995 budget is that the Trustee Council has bought innumerable motors and several boats for the USFWS over the years. Can you please check within that agency as well as with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to see if a servicable motor or inflatable boat is available. I am not asking that you sacrifice safety for economy, but if servicable motors purchased with oil spill funds can be found it would be a welcome economy. Second, the 1996 and 1997 budgets are much greater than the 1995 budget. The Trustee Council is not committed to the increased level of funding and you will have to provide a detailed justification for those budgets before they are funded. As soon as I hear from you on the revision of the equipment budget I will be able to make a recommendation to the Executive Director on this project.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: S. Hatch  
M. McCammon

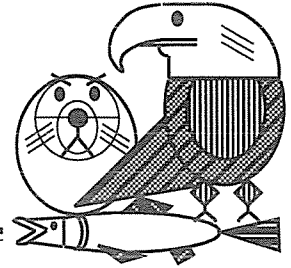


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### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Restoration Work Force

**From:** Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

**Date:** March 21, 1995

**Subj:** March 22 RWF Meeting

The weekly Restoration Work Force meeting will begin Wednesday, March 22 at 9:00 a.m. The Juneau location is the Executive Director's Office while the Anchorage location is the Restoration Office.

Topics to be discussed include:

- 1995 Public Meeting Schedule and Participation
- March 23 & 24 PAG meeting
- March 23 Open House
- March 31 Trustee Council Meeting

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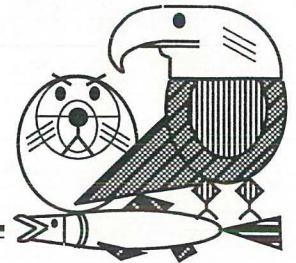
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## FAX COVER SHEET

To: Restoration Work Force

From: Molly McCammon Date: March 21, 1995

Comments: Total Pages: 2

Pls distribute to those listed below.

Thanks.

**FAX COMPLETE**

### RESTORATION WORK FORCE MEMBERS INCLUDE:

Bartels, Leslie  
Berg, Catherine  
Bruce, David  
Fries, Carol  
Gibbons, Dave  
Gilbert, Veronica  
Loeffler, Bob

McCammon, Molly  
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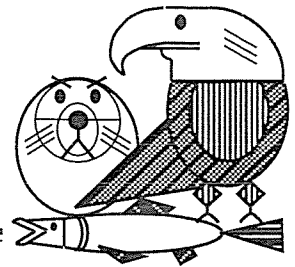
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95320K/PWSAC: Experimental Fry Release

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95320K/PWSAC: Experimental Fry Release, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached). This authorization is being given prior to formal approval of NEPA compliance, as outlined in the attached memo from Kathleen Chorostecki, in order to permit ADF&G to meet a contract deadline. Formal approval of NEPA compliance is expected within ten days.

### Attachments

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer  
Dan Moore

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State of Alaska: Departments of Fish & Game, Law, and Environmental Conservation

United States: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Departments of Agriculture and Interior

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March 21, 1995

Dr. Dan Moore  
Assistant Fisheries Program Manager  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99518-1599

Dear Dan,

I have already given a verbal recommendation to the Executive Director for release of funds for project 95320, but since I had already made specific inquiries about project 95320K "PWSAC-Prince William Sound System Investigation-experimental fry release" I am writing separately about this aspect of the SEA project. My letter of February 2, 1995 to Eric Prestegard raised some issues that were of concern to Mark Willette and also requested a budget. I recently received a letter from Dr. Tim Linley of PWSAC addressing all of my concerns. Specifically a sample of 200 fry will be used to estimate variance of length and weight in the fry population prior to release. I am satisfied now that there is proper coordination of the objectives of this and the wider SEA project and that the budget appears to be appropriate for the project. I am therefore recommending to the Executive Director that this project be funded as proposed and inclusive of the assurances provided by Dr. Linley.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: M. McCammon  
M. Willette  
T. Linley  
J. Sullivan

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration,  
Host Agency serving:

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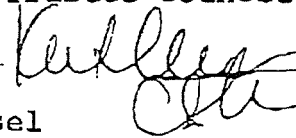


U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Mountain Administrative Support Center  
325 Broadway  
Boulder, Colorado 80303-3328

March 21, 1995

Via Fax

MEMORANDUM TO: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

FROM: Kathleen A. Chorostecki   
Attorney  
Office of General Counsel  
for Natural Resources

SUBJECT: NEPA compliance, Project 95320-k

I have reviewed the draft final supplemental Environmental Assessment (SuppEA) prepared by Dan Moore of Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G), concerning the above-mentioned restoration project. As you are aware, NOAA will require approximately an additional ten business days to formally issue our determination as to NEPA compliance. You have requested that I provide a statement of our position regarding NEPA compliance on this project by today, in order to permit ADF&G to meet a contract deadline.

I am satisfied that the SuppEA, which incorporates by reference the original EA for project 95320-l and 95320-k, meets the environmental review requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). I have communicated my analysis of the EA and my recommendations to NOAA's Office of Policy and Strategic Planning, the office charged with NEPA compliance oversight, and have been authorized to provide you with this memorandum, as informal approval of NEPA compliance for project 95320-k based on my analysis. You will receive the formal memorandum stating our Finding of No Significant Impact in approximately two weeks.

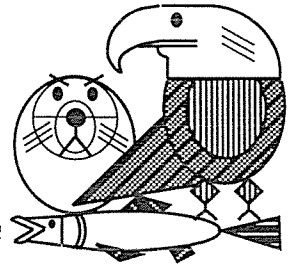


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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95138/Elders-Youth Conference

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95138/Elders-Youth Conference, as described in the revised Detailed Project Description (dated February 22, 1995) and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

I would, however, like to call your attention to one budget item:

The schedule for completing Project 95138 has changed considerably from the Brief Project Description used by the Trustee Council in authorizing funds for the project, and the Detailed Project Description. Specifically, the schedule in the BPD called for all project tasks to be completed within FY 95. The schedule in the DPD calls for production of conference proceedings, distribution of materials, and completion of the final report to be accomplished in FY 96. I therefore expect that the funds requested for these tasks in FY 95 will be lapsed to the joint trust fund at the end of the fiscal year, and a new request for funding in FY 96 will be made.

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer  
Dean Hughes

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March 20, 1995

Mr. Dean Hughes  
Assistant Fisheries Program Manager  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, Alaska 99518-1599

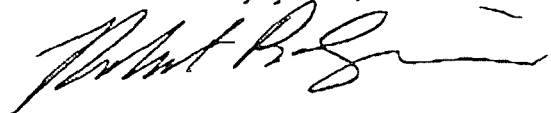
Dear Dean,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the detailed project description (DPD) for "Elders/Youth conference on subsistence and the oil spill" (95138). I have not sent this DPD out for peer review, but I have read it myself. It is obvious from the data Dr. Fall has presented that the oil spill disrupted the use of traditional foods by native communities, exacerbating an ongoing weakening of traditional culture in the latter half of the twentieth century. Native people have returned to greater reliance on traditional subsistence foods in the last several years, following a severe decline after the spill. It is not clear that the decline of traditional lifestyles is as restored as is the average use of subsistence foods. This project appears to be directed toward healing the more chronic erosion of traditional cultural values through even greater strengthening of subsistence activities and the associated cultural values. The organizers of the conference have an opportunity here to help move ahead in a positive direction and I hope they will take it.

There is an opportunity for significant involvement of native people through the competitive contractual process.

I recommending that this project be implemented as planned in the DPD. Good luck and I look forward to hearing about the outcome of the conference.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

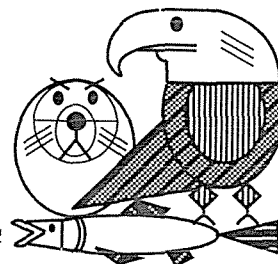
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M. McCammon  
J. Sullivan

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

DATE: March 21, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95320S/Disease Impacts on PWS Herring Populations

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95320S/Disease Impacts on PWS Herring Populations, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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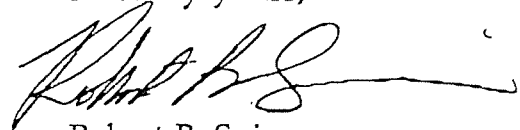
March 20, 1995

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
645 G Street, Suite 401  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Molly,

I have now completed the review of the proposal for herring disease work, "Investigation of disease factors affecting declines of Pacific herring populations in Prince William Sound, Alaska" (95320 S). The review was of the proposal submitted to ADF&G jointly from University of California, Davis; University of Washington and Simon Fraser University, British Columbia. The reviewer raised some issues, none of which I considered major. I held a conference call to discuss the reviewer comments in detail and was satisfied that all his comments could be addressed either by clarification from the investigators on their proposals or slight adjustments in the study plans. I am therefore satisfied that this project represents an acceptable scientific plan to attempt to determine the role of disease in the decline of Pacific Herring in Prince William Sound. I recommend that it be funded. This recommendation does not preclude the need for a careful examination of the budget, which was beyond the scope of my review.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: J. Sullivan

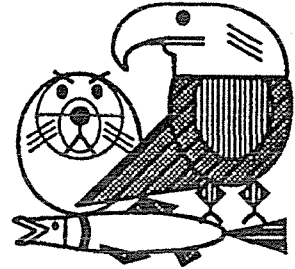
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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Mary Rivera *MR*  
Administrative Assistant

**DATE:** March 16, 1995

**RE:** Change of Address

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Our Juneau office has a new Post Office box number. Our new mailing address is:

EVOS Trustee Council  
P.O. Box 21949  
Juneau, AK 99802-1949

Our street address remains the same: 709 West 9th Street, Room 859A. If you have any questions, you can call me at 907-586-7238.

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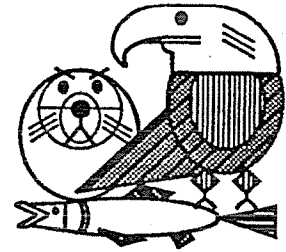
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# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

## Public Advisory Group

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### AGENDA

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
Public Advisory Group  
First floor conference room  
645 G Street, Anchorage, Alaska

Thursday and Friday, March 23-24, 1995  
8:30 a.m.

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#### PURPOSE:

1. Meet and welcome 1995-1997 Public Advisory Group.
2. Obtain status reports on the Restoration Plan, Habitat Protection Process, FY 95 Work Plan, and solicitation for FY 96 Work Plan projects.

#### Thursday

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| 8:30 a.m. | Call to order/roll call/introductions<br>Election of temporary chair   | Doug Mutter    |
| 8:40      | Welcome<br>Introduce EVRO staff  | Molly McCammon |
| 9:00      | Facilitated Discussion: How to be an effective advisory group member.  |                |
| 11:00     | Briefing – The Restoration Program:<br>How Did We Get Here?<br>– Court Settlement<br>Rules for Restoration, Payment Schedule<br>– Restoration Plan<br>Overview and Purpose |                |
| 11:30     | Briefing – Status of the Restoration Program<br>– Injured Resources List<br>– Status of Recovery<br>– Science Review Process   |                |

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Thursday - continued

12:30 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch in — provided.

1:00 Briefing – Major Elements of the Restoration Program  
– Overview of Comprehensive, Balanced Approach  
– Annual Work Plan  
– Habitat Protection—Past Acquisitions, Current Effort  
– Restoration Reserve

4:00 Tour of Oil Spill Public Information Center (OSPIC)

4:30 - 6:30 Open House — Spill Anniversary

Friday

8:30 a.m. Briefing – Other Components of the Restoration Program  
– Administrative Functions  
– Alaska SeaLife Center

9:30 PAG Operating Procedures/Travel Information  
– Election of Officers

10:00 Public Comment

11:00 Discussion of PAG Priorities for 1995  
Development of 1995 Meeting Schedule

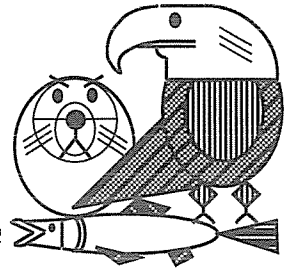
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March 14, 1995

Dear Public Advisory Group Member:

Congratulations on being selected for nomination to the Public Advisory Group (PAG) of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council. The enclosed binder contains an agenda for your first meeting, and background information that you may wish to review prior to the meeting.

Following introductions, the meeting will begin with a session on being an effective board member. The balance of the meeting will be devoted, in large part, to presentations and discussions of the major issues facing the Trustee Council. A discussion of the PAG's priorities for 1995 is also scheduled. An open house, to mark the sixth anniversary of the oil spill, will be held the evening of March 23. This event will provide you an opportunity to meet some of the Trustees and their staff, and will provide members of the public an opportunity to meet you.

Again, thank you for your willingness to serve on the PAG. I look forward to seeing you March 23rd and 24th.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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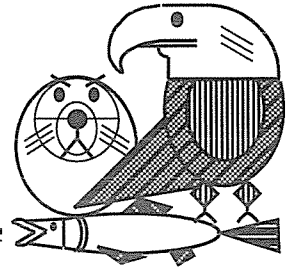
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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Restoration Work Force

**From:** Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

**Date:** March 14, 1995

**Subj:** March 15 RWF Meeting Cancelled

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The weekly Restoration Work Force meeting for March 15 is cancelled due to final work on the FY96 Invitation/Draft Science Plan. We'll plan to meet next week.

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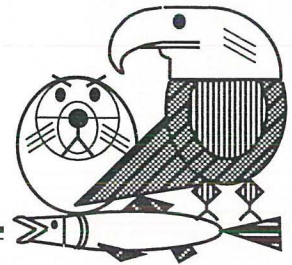
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From: Molly McCammon Date: 3-14-95

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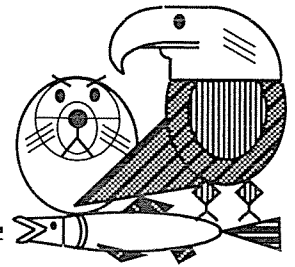
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon   
Executive Director

DATE: March 14, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95320/Sound Ecosystem Assessment Program

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally authorize work to proceed on Project 95320/Sound Ecosystem Assessment Program, as described in the integrated Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached). Authorization is being given at this time in order to ensure that the project can mobilize crews and equipment according to the schedule described in the DPD. The authorization is subject to the principal investigators addressing any questions on the project raised by the Chief Scientist and peer reviewers following the review of the hydroacoustic program scheduled for March 28-30, 1995.

I would, however, like to call your attention to three budget items:

1. The budget for 95320M includes \$80,000 for purchasing a research vessel. The budget documents do not specify whether chartering or leasing a vessel were investigated. Use of the vessel should be obtained by the most cost effective means, with any savings lapsed to the joint trust fund at the end of the fiscal year.
2. Both 95320M and 905320N contain significant equipment expenditures. It is not clear whether the use of equipment previously purchased by the Trustee Council has been considered. All Trustee Council projects should use existing equipment to the maximum extent possible, and any savings should be lapsed.
3. The budgets for 95320J, M, N, and Y include funding for a financial audit. If this is a necessary project expense, in future years it should be funded out of project overhead, not as a project cost.

Attachment

cc: Ted Cooney  
Bill Hauser  
Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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S C I E N C E S

March 10, 1995

Ms. Molly McCammon  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
645 "G" Street  
Anchorage, AK 99501

RE: 1995 DPDs for SEA

Dear Molly:

I received Detailed Project Descriptions for projects 95320A-Y (Sound Ecosystem Assessment [SEA] program) on February 8, 1995, and sent these out to the core reviewers for assessment. In addition, Andy and I have reviewed these documents. I have received written comments from all the reviewers except Dr. Mundy, who has been ill. Andy spoke to Dr. Mundy yesterday, however, to obtain a summary of his comments so that we could provide a recommendation to you more promptly.

As you recall, a key milestone that we established for the SEA program from the review in October, 1994, was the preparation of an integrated DPD to clearly document the testable hypotheses being addressed by the various components of the project, and which datasets from each project would be used in hypothesis testing. This integrated DPD was prepared by Dr. Cooney and submitted ("Sound Ecosystem Assessment (SEA) - An Integrated Science Plan for the Restoration of Injured Species"), and was carefully considered by all of the reviewers.

Without exception, the reviewers were very impressed with the level of integration and clarity in the integrated DPD, and in general they clearly indicated their strong support for the project going forward as described. As you might expect, there were many specific questions, comments, and recommendations provided by the reviewers, but I do not believe that any of these questions (with the exception issues related to the hydroacoustic program) raise issues that require additional review before the project goes forward for FY95. We will be conducting a special review of the hydroacoustic program (for both 95320 and 95163) in Cordova on March 28-30, 1995. I will provide you with a memorandum in early April summarizing the results of that workshop and providing any recommendations for the hydroacoustic program. In that memo, I also propose to summarize the specific questions and comments raised in the review of the individual DPDs for projects 95320A-Y.

In order to make sure that project 95320 can mobilize crews and equipment according to the schedule described in the integrated DPD, I recommend that at this time you authorize project 95320 for full funding. I suggest that you make this authorization subject to the principal investigators addressing specific questions raised by the Chief Scientist in the memorandum to be distributed in early April.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this recommendation.

Sincerely,

RB Spies  
Robert Spies  
Chief Scientist

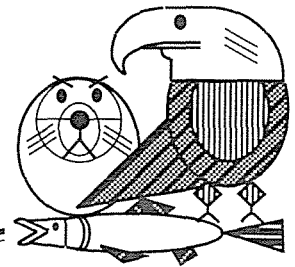
Ted Cooney  
Andy Gunther

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March 14, 1995

Brenda R. Baxter, Coordinator  
School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences  
University of Alaska Fairbanks  
POB 757220  
Fairbanks Alaska 99775-7220

Dear Ms. Baxter:

Thank you for contacting the Trustee Council regarding the Forage Fish symposium. I agree that the symposium would probably be of interest to the Trustee Council. I recommend that you submit the proposal for consideration in the next (FY96) funding cycle. The FY96 *Invitation for Proposals* will be issued on March 15. Proposals received by May 1 will be reviewed by the Chief Scientist and other review scientists. The Trustee Council is expected to make funding decisions at the end of August.

I realize that this schedule does not satisfy your need for an immediate response. However, there are many competing demands for restoration funds and the review process we have established allows us to select the most promising proposals. If, in August, the Trustee Council agrees to provide financial support for the symposium, funds would be committed more than a year before the symposium is scheduled to begin.

The Trustee Council has recently received a proposal for a multi-year Seabird/Forage Fish ecosystem research project. Dave Duffy, project leader, and Bruce Wright, NOAA, are interested in including the forage fish symposium funding request with their FY96 proposal. I suggest that you contact Bruce Wright (789-6601) about their intention.

I also suggest that you may wish to include Stan Senner, Science Coordinator for the Trustee Council, on the planning committee for the forage fish symposium. Stan will be joining my staff in late March and will contact you at that time.

Thank you for the offer to sponsor the forage fish symposium. I will make sure you receive a copy of the FY96 *Invitation for Proposals*.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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# Alaska Sea Grant College Program

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**University of Alaska Fairbanks**  
School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences

February 7, 1995

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
645 G Street  
Anchorage, AK 99501

Subject: International Symposium on the Role of Forage Fishes in Marine Ecosystems

The Alaska Sea Grant College Program has been developing, coordinating, and conducting the Lowell Wakefield fisheries symposia series since 1982. Attached is a list of the symposia in the series. I have been working with a core committee to develop the forage fish meeting for the past several months. We have added a number of members from other geographical areas and are waiting response from several others.

Arrangements have been finalized for the meeting to be held November 13-15, 1996 in Anchorage.

The next task is to finalize the call for papers and get it distributed via mail and e-mail as widely around the world as possible. A copy of the draft text is enclosed. Committee members feel strongly that the symposium would be of as much interest to the EVOS Trustee Council as to the other sponsors. This is an invitation for the Trustee Council to participate with us in sponsoring the symposium. I have provided information on the symposium to a number of individuals involved with Trustee Council work to assess their interest. David Duffy, Bruce Wright, and Eric Myers all feel the meeting will be of interest to the Trustee Council and that the Council may wish to play a part in the meeting. I have been unsuccessful to date in contacting Bob Spies directly for his thoughts.

I believe the intent and expected results of this symposium run parallel to high priority research areas of the Trustee Council and would like to include the Council as a sponsor in the call for papers.

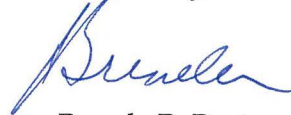
Since the symposium program is still in the early planning phase, I do not have a definite budget but expect the symposium including production and publishing of the proceedings to come to about \$50,000. I invite the EVOS Trustee Council's co-sponsorship in the amount of \$15,000 to assist with speaker travel and proceedings production.

Molly McCammon  
February 7, 1995  
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I will be pleased to provide any additional information you require and look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience so that we can finalize the call for papers before the end of February. Your early agreement to participate will enable us to give you good visibility in all symposium publicity and materials.

Thanks in advance for your consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing from you soon and to meeting you in the near future.

Yours truly,



Brenda R. Baxter  
Coordinator

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## Lowell Wakefield Fisheries Symposia

### Completed

- 1982 International Symposium on the Genus *Chionoecetes*
- 1983 International Sablefish Symposium
- 1984 Symposium on Dungeness Crab Biology and Management
- 1985 International King Crab Symposium
- 1986 International Rockfish Symposium
- 1986 International Symposium on Seafood Quality Determination
- 1988 International Symposium on the Biology and Management of Walleye Pollock
- 1989 International Symposium on King and Tanner Crabs
- 1990 International Herring Symposium
- 1992 International Symposium on Management Strategies for Exploited Fish Populations
- 1993 International Symposium on Genetics of Subarctic Fish and Shellfish
- 1994 International Symposium on North Pacific Flatfish

### Being coordinated

- 1995 International Symposium on Biology, Management, and Economics of Crabs from High Latitude Habitats

### Being planned

- 1996 International Symposium on the Role of Forage Fishes in Marine Ecosystems
- 2000 Third Decadal International Herring Symposium

*NOTE: Proceedings have been published for each of the completed symposia.*

## Background

The University of Alaska Sea Grant College Program has been sponsoring and coordinating the Lowell Wakefield Fisheries Symposium series since 1982. These meetings are a forum for information exchange in biology, management, economics, and processing of various fish species and complexes as well as an opportunity for scientists from high latitude countries to meet informally and discuss their work.

Forage fishes are abundant, schooling fishes preyed upon by many species of seabirds, marine mammals, and other fish species. They provide important ecosystem functions by transferring energy from primary or secondary producers to higher trophic levels. Yet, unless they are themselves commercially-exploited, they tend to be among the least studied species in the sea. Changes in the populations of marine mammals, seabirds, and commercially-important fishes worldwide underscore a need to better understand trophic relationships.

The conveners of this symposium wish to bring together international experts on forage fishes to discuss linkages between these species and their predators and prey. Because some species of forage fishes are well studied in some ecosystems and poorly investigated in others, there is much to be gained by sharing knowledge in an international forum. By highlighting trophic linkages of a number of marine ecosystems worldwide, we hope to develop a synthesis to help better understand changes that occur at lower and higher trophic levels and to help identify gaps in knowledge about forage fishes that require directed research.

The primary objective of the symposium is to provide findings to assist in the multispecies management of Alaskan marine ecosystems especially those of the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska which includes the Exxon Valdez oil spill region. While the concept for this symposium was developed by scientists and resource managers in Alaska, it is envisioned that the management of ecosystems worldwide will benefit from this information exchange.

## Program

The three-day program will contain invited and contributed presentations and a poster session followed by workshops for synthesis development. This brochure is to serve as both an announcement of the symposium and a call for contributed papers and posters. For purposes of this meeting the definition of forage fish includes, but is not limited to: anchovy, capelin, eulachon, herring, gadoids, juvenile pollock, mackerel, myctophids, osmerids, Pacific sandfish, sardine, and smelt.

Contributed papers and posters are welcome on any of the above species or other similar species and the role they play in the ecosystem.

Some of the questions we hope to answer include:

Are forage fish indicators of ecosystem health? What level of understanding is needed to manage forage fish?

Many forage species have proven hard to assess using standard assessment methods. Are there new methodologies, especially in the area of remote sensing, that may provide improved assessment capability?

To what degree does abundance variation of marine forage fish depend on changes in oceanographic and meteorological conditions?

How extensive are multispecies interactions among fish, marine mammals, and seabirds in competition for food? Are there strong predator-prey links in which the abundance of forage species regulates predator species and vice versa? Can predation by forage fish on early life stages impact population levels of commercially important marine species?

Does single species management adversely impact forage fish? Does a multispecies/ecosystem management regime better protect forage fish populations?

Are there examples of successful multispecies/ecosystem management, especially in arctic regions?

What types of research and assessments and what level and frequency of data collection are needed to incorporate forage fish into an ecosystem management framework?

To contribute a paper or poster to the symposium, submit an abstract of 300 words or less by e-mail, or both hard copy and computer disk, no later than January 31, 1996 to the symposium coordinator. Abstracts must indicate whether they are for a paper or poster and include: title, author(s), contact person, mailing address, electronic address, phone number, and fax number.

Submit abstracts by electronic mail to: [fnbrm1@aurora.alaska.edu](mailto:fnbrm1@aurora.alaska.edu)

If e-mail is not available, submit hard copy and disk\* to:

Brenda Baxter, Symposium Coordinator  
Alaska Sea Grant College Program, UAF  
P.O. Box 755040  
Fairbanks, AK 99775-5040 USA

phone: 907/474-6701  
fax: 907/474-6285

\* Disks are acceptable in most standard word processing programs for either Macintosh or PC computers. Be sure to label the disk with the author's name, operating system, and program used.

Note: Although the structure for this symposium has not yet been finalized, this call for papers is being disseminated as widely as possible around the world to give all interested parties the opportunity to participate. Please share this information with your colleagues. Anyone who didn't receive this announcement specifically addressed to him/her and who would like future information on this symposium should send their full name and address to the symposium coordinator.

### Product

A symposium proceedings containing both invited and contributed papers and posters as well as summaries of the workshops will be published as soon after the symposium as possible.

### Details

The symposium will be held November 13-15, 1996 at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska, USA. Specific information on facilities and registration will be distributed in spring 1996. A modest registration fee will be charged to cover the costs of a reception; break refreshments; meals included in the program, if any; a copy of the proceedings; and other symposium materials.

### Program Planning Committee

Brenda Baxter, Alaska Sea Grant College Program, UAF  
Robert Crawford, Sea Fisheries Research Institute, South Africa  
Lew Haldorson, Fisheries Division, UAF  
Doug Hay, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada  
Gordon Kruse, Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Bob Meyer, U.S. Minerals Management Service  
Erlend Moksness, Institute of Marine Research, Norway  
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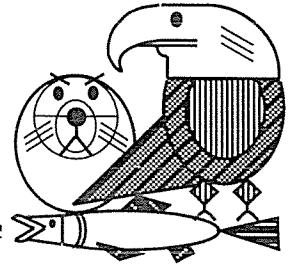
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Hughes/ADF&G

FROM: Molly McCammon   
Executive Director

DATE: March 13, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95064/Monitoring, Habitat Use, and Trophic Interactions of Harbor Seals in Prince William Sound, Alaska

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95064/Monitoring, Habitat Use, and Trophic Interactions of Harbor Seals in Prince William Sound, Alaska, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Joe Sullivan  
Traci Cramer

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March 13, 1995

Mr. Dean Hughes  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, AK 99518-1599

VIA FAX and Mail

RE: Detailed Project Description for Project 95064 (Monitoring, habitat use, and trophic interactions of harbor seals in Prince William Sound, AK)

Dear Dan:

On February 15, 1995, I sent you a letter describing the concerns raised by the reviewers of the above project. In that letter I recommended that the Executive Director release funding for the satellite tags, and requested that the principal investigator prepare a memo responding to two questions.

I have received the memo I requested from the principal investigator, and it addresses the questions I raised in my February 15 letter. At this time I am recommending to the Executive Director that project 95064 be authorized for full funding.

Sincerely,

*RB Spies*  
Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

cc: Molly McCammon  
Kathy Frost

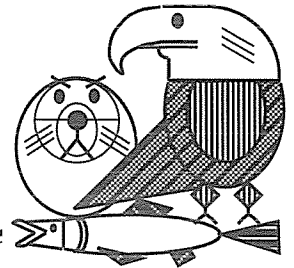


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### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Trustee Council

**From:** Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

**Date:** March 13, 1995

**Subj:** Sixth Anniversary Open House

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The Restoration Office is sponsoring an Open House in Anchorage in conjunction with the 6th Anniversary of the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill and the first meeting of the newly assembled Public Advisory Group (PAG). The open House is scheduled for Thursday, March 23, 1995 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend and meet with the PAG and the public. Please let Rebecca Williams know if you will be available to attend.

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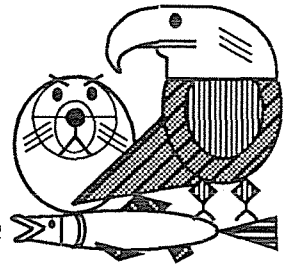
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March 13, 1995

Lynn Zellweger  
P.O. Box 211622  
Auke Bay, AK 99821

Dear Ms. Zellweger:

As I mentioned in my phone conversation with you a few weeks ago, I am forwarding some recent materials on the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council for your information.

It is my understanding that you are especially concerned about the amount of the *Exxon Valdez* civil settlement funds being spent in Prince William Sound. I think if you examine the record closely, you will find that the lion's share of spending thus far from the civil settlement funds has, indeed, been dedicated to support projects to restore resources and services injured in Prince William Sound.

The Trustee Council approved a 1995 Work Plan at their meeting in Anchorage on November 3 which dedicates over \$10 million to fishery projects. Most of these projects will directly restore fishery resources or are for research projects to determine how natural and spill-induced factors have affected the primary commercial fishery species in Prince William Sound: pink salmon and Pacific herring. Since it has been found to be more cost effective to conduct restoration research in Prince William Sound, most of the Trustee Council research efforts are based there. In addition to most of the fisheries projects, all of the bird, marine mammal and subsistence studies are conducted in Prince William Sound.

This level of support is not new. In each of the years since the October 1991 civil settlement was reached, the Council has supported significant programs for Prince William Sound restoration actions and research and monitoring studies.

For example, in 1994, a number of still-oiled mussel beds in the sound were surveyed, cleaned and returned to near pre-spill condition by a team funded by the Trustee Council. This project was undertaken because the mussels serve as a continuing source of oil contamination to other species which depend upon them for food, such as sea otters and certain seabirds.

By far the largest single project the Council has undertaken in 1994 and in 1995 is the Prince William Sound System Investigation, a comprehensive, integrated examination of the ecosystem and oil spill factors influencing

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Lynn Zellweger

March 13, 1995

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returns of pink salmon and herring in Prince William Sound, which will provide a wealth of information to aid resource managers in making effective decisions about fisheries.

Regard for the resources of Prince William Sound – commercial fishery stocks, subsistence resources, birds, marine mammals and other injured resources – is included in every step of restoration planning and implementation undertaken by the Trustee Council, as are the other regions affected by the spill. In addition, on December 2 the Trustee Council made preliminary offers totaling \$120 million to protect habitat in Prince William Sound owned by the Chenega, Tatitlek and Eyak Native Corporations. Protection of habitat important to resources injured by the oil spill has been identified as a key component of restoration.

I am enclosing for your information a copy of the final 1995 Work Plan, a summary of the habitat protection activities currently underway, and a copy of the Restoration Plan adopted by the Council last fall. If you would like additional information about any of the activities of the Trustee Council, please feel free to give me or my staff a call. You can reach us at 907/278-8012. The Oil Spill Public Information Center can serve as an additional information source. You can reach them via a toll-free telephone number: 1-800-478-7745.

Thank you for expressing your concerns.

Sincerely yours,

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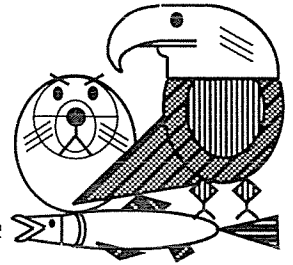
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Catherine Berg/DOI-USFWS

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

DATE: March 13, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95029/Population Survey of Bald Eagles in PWS

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95029/Population Survey of Bald Eagles in PWS, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

Attachment

cc: Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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March 6, 1995

Ms. Catherine Berg  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
1011E. Tudor Road  
Anchorage, AK 99518-1599

RE: Detailed Project Description for Project 95029 (Population Survey of Bald Eagles in  
Prince William Sound, Alaska)

VIA FAX and Mail

Dear Cathy:

Thank you for your reply (received in my office on March 1) to my letter of February 7, 1995, regarding the above project. After reviewing the revised DPD you submitted, I believe that this project needs no further review and is ready for full funding.

Sincerely,

*Robert B. Spies* by *ASB*  
Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

cc: Molly McCammon  
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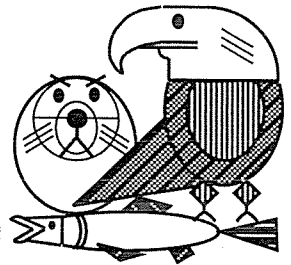
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March 13, 1995

Edgar Blatchford  
University of Alaska-Fairbanks  
College of Rural Alaska  
707 A Street #205  
Anchorage Alaska 99501

Dear Edgar:

I heard you were interested in obtaining a copy of the poster commissioned by the *Exxon Valdez* Trustee Council. I hope you enjoy it, as well as life outside the bureaucracy.

Sincerely,

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Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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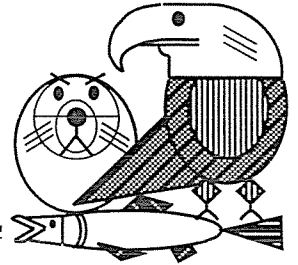
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March 13, 1995

Carl Rosier  
8298 Garnet Street  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Carl:

Enclosed, please find the signed resolution of appreciation from the *Exxon Valdez* Trustee Council.

It was a pleasure to work with you while you served on the Council. Best wishes and good luck in your new endeavors.

Sincerely,

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Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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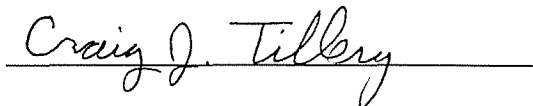
Resolution of Appreciation for  
Carl L. Rosier  
Recognizing His Outstanding Leadership and Dedication  
as a Trustee Council Member for the  
State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game on the  
*Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council expresses its great appreciation to Carl L. Rosier for his leadership and stewardship as the Trustee Council member for the State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game on the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council. Carl Rosier's extensive experience, sound judgment and insight have been of great assistance to the Trustee Council in formulating policy for the restoration of the injured natural resources and the services they provide. His dedication to service and ability to find constructive solutions to difficult and complicated policy issues have contributed significantly to the Trustee Council's design of a comprehensive and balanced approach to restoration of the spill affected area. The Trustee Council gratefully commends Carl Rosier for his professionalism and friendship and wishes him well in future endeavors.

for Phil Janik  
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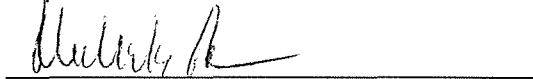
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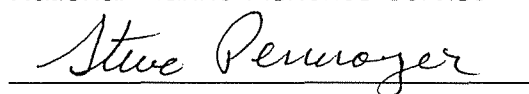
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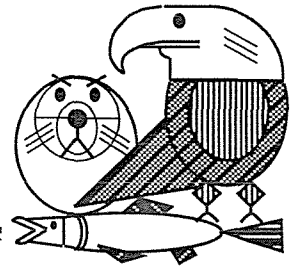
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March 13, 1995

Jerome Montague  
9240 North Douglas Highway  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Jerome:

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It was a pleasure to work with you while you served on the Restoration Work Force. Best wishes and good luck in your new endeavors.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

Attachment

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*Dr. Jerome Montague*

for your contribution to restoration of the resources and services injured by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill as Chief of Restoration for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

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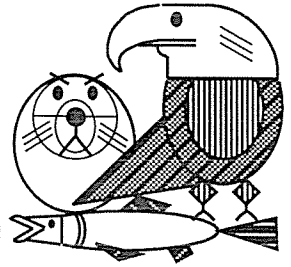
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March 13, 1995

John Sandor  
3311 Foster Avenue  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear John:

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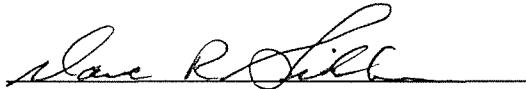
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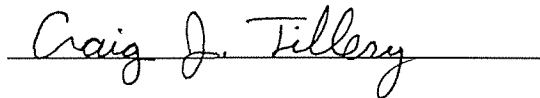
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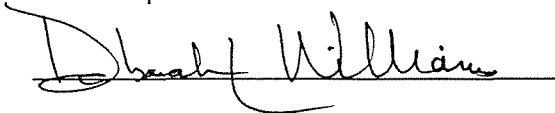
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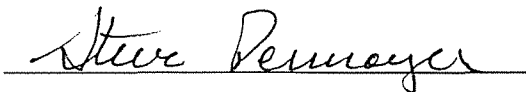
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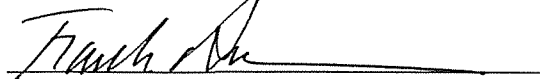
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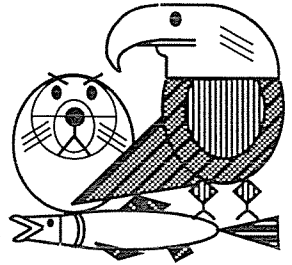
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Mark Brodersen  
1309 Martin Road  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Mark:

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Sincerely,

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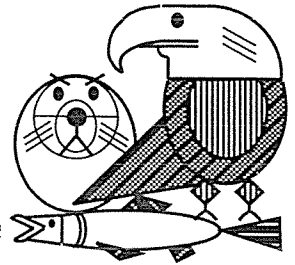
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

DATE: March 10, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95272/Chenega Chinook Release Program

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95272/Chenega Chinook Release Program, consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached). It is my understanding that since the budget for this project was approved, a decision has been made by Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation, and concurred in by the Department of Fish and Game, to not tag the salmon smolt as originally planned. This will result in a reduction in the project's cost, and the savings should be lapsed back to the joint trust fund at the end of the fiscal year.

Attachment

cc: Dan Moore  
Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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S C I E N C E S

March 8, 1995

Ms. Molly McCammon  
Executive Director  
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
645 G Street  
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Molly,

I have now received the reviews of the detailed project description for "Chenega chinook release program" (95272). The reviewer found this to be a worthy program of supplementation of fish as a replacement for injured resources and one that carries very little risk to natural resources. I am pleased to recommend it to you without reservation for funding.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: D. Moore  
J. Sullivan



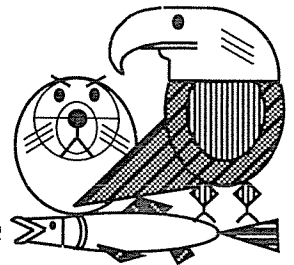
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March 10, 1995

Margo Waring  
1215 5th Street  
Douglas, Alaska 99824

Dear Margo:

As you requested, I am sending a brief description of each subsistence-related project submitted to the Trustee Council for funding in FY 95. The accompanying list indicates which projects were funded by the Trustees, which were funded by DCRA from criminal settlement funds, and which were not funded and why. I have also enclosed the FY 95 Work Plan, which summarizes the Trustee Council's overall restoration effort for this year.

The invitation to submit project proposals for FY 96 should be available March 22, with proposals due May 1, 1995. I'll make sure your name is added to the mailing list for receiving the invitation.

Please call if you need anything else.

Sincerely,

Sandra Schubert  
Project Coordinator

Enclosures

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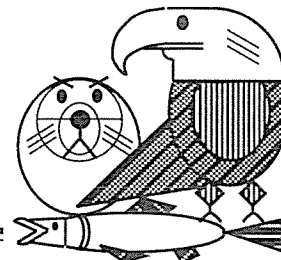
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March 10, 1995

Jim Sinnett, Project Planner  
Chugach Heritage Foundation  
4201 Tudor Centre Drive, Suite 201  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Dear Jim:

This letter is to follow up on our telephone conversation of March 9, 1995 regarding how people attending the Chugach Heritage Foundation meetings on March 22-24 might interact with the Trustee Council's Public Advisory Group (PAG) and staff.

We discussed two meetings. The first meeting would be a 20 to 30 minute presentation to the PAG by representatives of the Chugach region (most likely an elder, the tribal or village council president, and the Foundation trustee from each of the seven villages in the region). This would take place during the public comment period of the PAG's meeting, tentatively scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to noon on Friday, March 24. The PAG meeting will be held at the Anchorage Restoration Office, 645 G Street.

The second meeting would take place on the afternoon of Friday, March 24. The meeting would be held either at the Anchorage Restoration Office or at the Anchorage Museum (the site of the Chugach Heritage Foundation meeting). At this meeting, Trustee Council staff would describe the Trustee Council's restoration objectives and program, and outline the project proposal process (the FFY 96 Invitation to Submit Project Proposals should be available that day). There would be ample time for comments, discussion, and questions.

We agreed to talk again the middle of next week to firm up the meeting times and locations. I look forward to talking to you then.

Sincerely,

*Sandra*

Sandra Schubert  
Project Coordinator

cc: Martha Vlasoff  
Rita Miraglia

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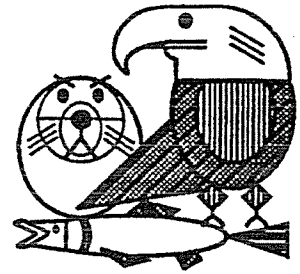
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Sandra Schubert  
FROM: *Traci*  
Traci Cramer  
Administrative Officer

DATE: March 10, 1995

RE: Budget Comments

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I have reviewed the budgets for 95320J, 95320M, 95320N, 95320Y. The following are my observations.

95320M Physical Oceanography - The backup from the Prince William Sound Science Center indicates that \$136.9 has been requested to purchase equipment. The major item is the purchase of a research vessel for \$80.0. It is unclear if the use of existing equipment or contracting was investigated. If the vessel requirement is not long term, serious consideration should be given to charters. The other equipment needs should be reviewed by the agency, with any savings being lapsed.

95320N Prince William Sound System Investigation, Nearshore Fish - The backup from the Prince William Sound Science Center indicates that \$56.0 has been requested to purchase equipment. The equipment needs should be reviewed by the agency, with any savings being lapsed.

General - Each of the budgets includes funding for a financial audit. When combined together they total \$14.5. This is the first time that I have come across this item. I would like to see a copy of the documents when completed. Finally, the original budgets were based on the funding going to the University of Alaska and then to the Prince William Sound Science Center. It's my understanding that the funds are now flowing directly to the Science Center. If so, I would assume that any indirect proposed by the University is no longer required and that the funding will be lapsed.

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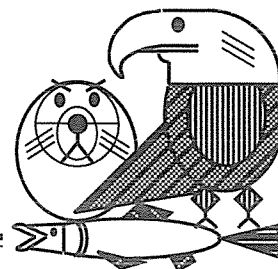
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Alex Swiderski/DOL  
Glenn Elison/USFWS  
Dave Gibbons/USFS

FROM: Eric F. Myers *[Signature]*

DATE: March 9, 1995

SUBJ: Small Parcel Letter and Confirmation of Interest Form

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Attached is:

1. a letter that incorporates the suggested revisions as a template for use in contacting the small parcel owners; and
2. copies of the Confirmation of Continuing Interest forms tailored for each of the 19 parcels of particular interest (1 for Dave Gibbons/USFS; 4 for Glenn Elison/USFWS; and 14 for Alex Swiderski/Alaska Department of Law).

I will send clean originals of the Confirmation of Continuing Interest forms in the mail for your use.

Good luck with the negotiations.

cc: Molly McCammon  
Carol Fries/ADNR  
Mark Kuwada/ADFG  
Judy Robinson/ADNR  
John Harmening/USFS

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(3/9/95)

DATE

NAME  
ADDRESS  
CITY, STATE ZIP

Dear <<LAND OWNER>>,

As you are aware, the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council took action on February 13, 1995 indicating its interest in the possible purchase of the small parcel that you nominated (PARCEL #/NAME). The <<AGENCY NAME >> will work with you to develop detailed information needed by the Trustee Council to decide whether to authorize a formal offer to purchase. The required information includes a confirmation of your continuing willingness to sell your parcel, preparation of a preliminary title report, hazardous materials survey, an appraisal, a minerals survey and one or more site visits.

Please return the Confirmation of Continuing Interest form, and the hazardous materials survey by March 31, 1995. If you have additional information concerning your parcel such as an appraisal or a survey that you have not already provided to the Trustee Council, it would be helpful if you would provide a copy of that information to me at your earliest convenience. Following receipt of the Confirmation of Continuing Interest form authorizing us to proceed, we will attempt to secure a preliminary commitment for title insurance. If that preliminary commitment is satisfactory and the hazardous materials survey does not indicate problems, we will be able to proceed with an appraisal by a certified appraiser under contract to the <<AGENCY NAME>>. You will have the opportunity to provide information to the appraiser to be considered in the appraisal. The appraisal is important because all small parcel purchases must be made on the basis of a fair market value determined by an appraisal that conforms with state and federal guidelines.

The Executive Director of the Trustee Council has been directed to report back to the Trustee Council with an initial recommendation regarding small parcel acquisitions by June 15, 1995. The information requested will be used in making that recommendation and, in turn, by the Trustee Council in deciding whether to authorize a formal offer to purchase.

If you have questions, please contact me at <<PHONE NUMBER>>.

Sincerely,

<<NEGOTIATOR NAME>>  
<<TITLE/AGENCY AFFILIATION>>

EXAMPLE

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
SMALL PARCEL PROCESS  
CONFIRMATION OF CONTINUING INTEREST

**Landowner:** Salamantof Native Association, Inc.

**Parcel:** KEN 54 — Salamatof

**Location:** Kenai River. T4N, R9W, Sec. 6 & 7, SM, Kenai, AK.  
T4N, R10W, portions of Sec. 1 & 12, SM, Kenai, AK.

**Agency Sponsor:** USFWS, ADFG, and ADNR

**Agency Contact:** Glenn Elison, US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)

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1. I continue to be interested in selling my small parcel. YES [ ] NO [ ]
  2. I authorize the USFWS, or its agent, to prepare a fair market value appraisal. YES [ ] NO [ ]
  3. I authorize the USFWS, or its agent, to prepare a preliminary title report. YES [ ] NO [ ]
  4. I authorize the USFWS, or its agent, to visit my property for the purposes of an appraisal, hazardous materials survey and other evaluation. YES [ ] NO [ ]
  5. Would you like to accompany the appraiser to your property? YES [ ] NO [ ]
  7. This property is improved with structures. YES [ ] NO [ ]
  8. Is there any additional information regarding your parcel that you would like to provide?

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SIGNATURE:\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

My signature in no way obligates me to sell my property or pay part of appraisal costs which the USFWS, or its agent, may incur.

\* *landowner or authorized representative*

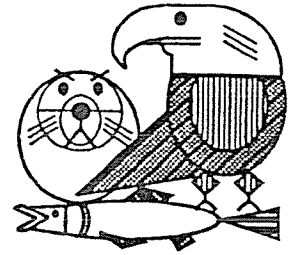
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March 9, 1995

TO: Workforce, Coordinating Committee

FROM: Bob Loeffler

SUBJECT: Notes from Yesterday's Review of the Invitation

Thanks to you all for yesterday's productive review session. These notes include only the most important points. I, and the other authors of the Invitation, have many other notes written in our individual copies of the invitation.

The only points brought up that are significant in that they are major policy issues with the potential for great delay are:

BAA — (see description in the notes)

SEA Plan — future funding for purposes of the Invitation

Budget — detailed budgets now due May 1.

## General Assignments for Reviewers:

- If you have further comments, i.e., stuff in the margins that you want to give us, please do so by the time you read this. If you still have comments, please call ASAP.
- If you see something missing from these notes, please let Bob, Sandra, Veronica, or Eric know today or Friday (tomorrow).
- For those who have not reviewed the draft with their Trustee, that review is a priority. If any problems, please let us know as soon as possible.

**Further Review.** As discussed at the end of the meeting, we will distribute a revised version of Pink Salmon, SEA Plan, and Herring. We will also distribute a revised write-up of the BAA/private party solicitation process. We will probably ask for 24- or 48-hour review. Finally, the group asked Bruce W to review the whole thing in Anchorage before it goes out. We will extend that same opportunity to others, only if you ask for it, as soon as its ready for review (probably next Tue or Wed).

## NOTES

Detailed Budgets are Due May 1.

**Assignment: Traci & Leslie** will resolve the question of whether Excel Sheets or another format are due May 1. They will check their answer with Joe and Byron.

DRAFT

Budget Instructions: p9; clarify "additional workshops" language. Plus add: if project done under contract, include report-writing costs in current FY even if project report will be in next FY.

With respect to whether new DPDs are needed by May 1 for the "big projects" (SEA Plan, Forage Fish, and Nearshore, possibly others), for which huge DPDs are being currently reviewed, we will deal with this on a case-by-case basis. At minimum, we will need something to publish in the draft work plan. Also, we will add language that the Nearshore, and Forage Fish projects may be funded by the TC for 95/96 before the Invitation deadline of May 1.

DPD instructions.

Add date (i.e., date the DPDs); Make it clearer that the primary audience for the first part is the public. Put a page limit on that part (2-4 pages), with possible exceptions for large projects. Add that the public part should summarize the major hypotheses and objectives.

BAA & contracting to private groups

Change the language to make it clear that not all private party projects will be administered by NOAA as part of the BAA. Some will go directly to a state agency, some by RFP, and some possibly funded other ways. Also should make clear that BAA is not for general restoration.

**Assignment: NOAA/DF&G/Bob review** to deal with the following issues:

- Is the "state BAA" or some other similar method that Ernie G proposed useable for the Invitation.
- Whether there the BAA process will result in increased administrative costs (due to the cost for technical advisors)?
- Legal interpretation of whether we need Trustee Council or other blessing to distribute the Invitation outside the state, etc.
- Also, the BAA includes research and monitoring.

"Unsolicited" Proposals. Somewhere, put a heading in about proposals not referenced in the Draft Science Plan. It's not really "unsolicited" because the BAA is a competitive solicitation and the Invitation is a type of solicitation. So use a different word. Also, for projects in which people aren't proposing that they will be the ones implementing, we will accept something less than the full DPD and detailed budgets & may give the project to a trustee agency to flesh out.

Changes from FFY 95. Add a heading on multi-year funding. Re-arrange most of the info on that page to indicate that we have multi-year commitments but re-assess every year.

Appendix A

Add a paragraph to give instructions for package projects

Reference where you go to get objectives required in the DPD (Draft Science Plan)

Community Involvement: Change from series of questions to guidance (what we expect for certain situations).

Project Reports: Add language about Publication of results in peer-reviewed journals is strongly encouraged by the TC. With approval of the Chief Scientist, they may serve as part of the final report required...

Under Coordination and Integration, discuss matching opportunities.

Environmental Compliance: Emphasize, that if don't know, leave blank.

Personnel: Change to ...all ~~key~~ people who will be working on...

Two budget formats: agency and non-agency to address Gen Admin/Indirect Costs, etc.

#### Draft Science Plan.

Add a section emphasizing scientific management (my name) including, at least, the need for integration and coordination. Discussing stable isotopes, scientific leadership. (Should we put "normal agency management" there?)

Integrate Bob Spies review memos from last fall into the write-ups, where they exist (i.e., like done in the current Herring draft).

Spreadsheet. May put previous years into the spreadsheet in some form (either by year from FY 92 or as a total). Delete FY 99 and beyond from the spreadsheet. Change "0" to blank or something else indicating unknown, unless it is zero. (Also the "funding tables" in the write-up will extend beyond FY 98 if a project is known to extend.) Discuss that drop in total indicates "unknowns" as opposed to a forecast drop.

Other. In tables in Draft Science Plan, will change FY 92 and FY 93 figures to actuals from authorized.

#### Pink Salmon.

Put all the "restoration project" funding tables in one place at the end.

Figure out whether "Supplementation" is a part of Pink Salmon or whether it is combined with Cutts and Dollys in a Salmonid Supplementation Section. Indicate that 95139 projects include Chum and other species.

Also add pithy summary of supplementation criteria (which need to be reviewed by Chief Scientist).

Change format so its clear that "toxics, etc." are a subdivision of pink salmon.

Add discussion of 320D, Genetics, to pink salmon. **Assignment: Joe Sullivan:** get draft from Jim or Lisa S. to Bob L.

Change funding schedule for Otolith Marking/CWT to what was approved by the TC, and reference that changing to two years overlap is a recommendation. Also explain that two years means through FY 98.

Put lesser headings under Pinks in to the table of contents.

#### SEA Plan

Get cost estimates for future funding, either by project or by the entire plan, into the write-up/spreadsheet.

Change the name to SEA Plan, unless need to still call it PWSSI because of funding projection problems; in any case, put SEA Plan close enough to the title that someone can find it.

Minimize discussion of affiliated projects discussed elsewhere (i.e., bottom of pg 42/top of pg 43)

Change Findings and Accomplishments to reflect preliminary findings.

Eliminate Figures 2 and 3 (figure 1 is gone).

Eliminate affiliated projects from Table 1 in present form.

Put the "what the hypothesis do for restoration" in discussion of hypotheses.

Determine if SEA Plan is going out for RFP, or whatever. While we may not have to decide, in final, what we are going to do, we have to put language in the DPD that is consistent and does not undermine whatever we decide.

Sockeye:

Under FFY 96 - FFY 2002: the "If 1995 returns show a major collapse" applies to both bullets.

Add Spies review memo conclusions especially with respect to doing something about Coghill Lake intercept.

Clarify discussion of what in the write-up is what project (i.e., 95255 v. 95258). In other words, identify projects by number.

Cutts and Dollys. Note monitoring needed. (Check with Phil Mundy). Possibly RFP.

Marine Mammals.

Add marine mammal book to the findings/accomplishments.

Add Killer Whale monitoring to recovery & \$100K in FY 99 and 2001. (Also, recovery objective being re-evaluated.)

Add Harbor Seal monitoring for 25K in FY 2000.

Nearshore.

Make it clear what species this applies to. Put those species in table of contents, somewhere. Get from Bob Spies forecast of intertidal stuff & put in spreadsheet and discussion.

Black Oystercatcher. Put language about what "is recovering" is based on. Check language with Cathy Berg (p 64 & 72)

Seabird/Forage Fish.

Make it clear what species this applies to. Put those species in table of contents, somewhere. Eliminate \$1,000,000 long-term monitoring cost, & the 25-year projection on page 77.

Substitute working hypotheses for subhypothesis.

Common Murre: put full story that a few years monitoring will go through productivity recovery (or whatever). Get from Dave Roseneau -- or pg 63 of Seabird/FF DPD.

Subsistence — OK.

Archaeology. Reference proposed change in objective.

Rec and Tourism: Written well

Reduction of Marine Pollution. Put in 96 continuation of contract. Possibly some \$ for it.

Habitat Protection and Acquisition. Add language from pg 22 of Restoration Plan into objectives

Admin/Public Info.

Raise question about what happens to OSPIC in the long-run.

Add symposium proceedings (94507) into the past projects table.

Introduction — change order of Invitation addressed to, to put government agencies last (i.e., in first bullet).

Note for next version of Science Plan (i.e., not by publication deadline). We need to have a discussion of how restoration interacts with normal agency management and what other agencies /groups are doing. This will likely not be in the version that we publish this time, but will eventually need to be included.

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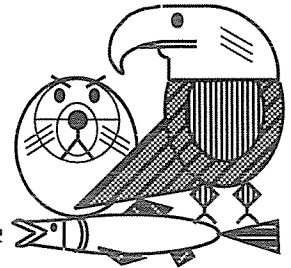
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### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Restoration Work Force

**From:** Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

**Date:** March 7, 1995

**Subj:** March 8 RWF Meeting

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The weekly Restoration Work Force meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday March 8. The Anchorage location will be the Restoration Office in the Simpson Building. This meeting is planned to be an all-day work session on the long range plan.

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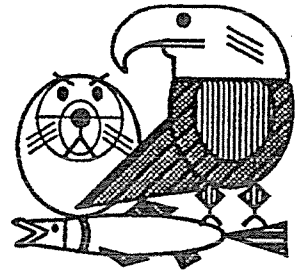
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March 6, 1995

Dr. Gerald W. Cormick  
15629 Cascadian Way  
Mill Creek, WA 98012

Dear Dr. Cormick:

Enclosed are three copies of the contract for your signature. Please sign the Standard Agreement Forms and return all three copies to our office at the following address:

EVOS Trustee Council  
P.O. Box 20122  
Juneau, AK 99802-0122

We will send you a final copy once the Procurement Officer, Earnest Greek, signs the contracts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Traci Cramer".

Traci Cramer  
Director of Administration

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Enclosures

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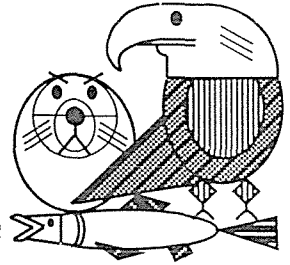
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March 6, 1995

Larry Evanoff  
POB 8060  
Chenega Bay, Alaska 99574

Dear Mr. Evanoff:

Thank you for attending the January 17-20, 1995 Restoration Workshop held at the Sheraton Hotel. I appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and discuss your concerns regarding the Restoration Program.

Enclosed is your per diem check for meals and incidentals. The check has been reduced \$63.95 to cover movie, phone and room service charges that were left unpaid when you checked out of your room.

If you have any questions regarding this reduction, please contact Cherri Womac at 1-800-478-7745.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Molly McCammon".

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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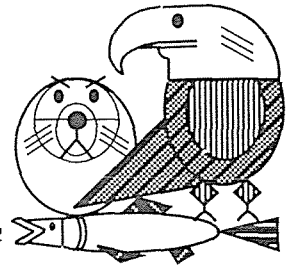
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March 6, 1995

Walter Meganack  
c/o Port Graham Village Council  
POB 5510  
Port Graham, Alaska 99603-5510

Dear Mr. Meganack:

Thank you for attending the January 17-20, 1995 Restoration Workshop held at the Sheraton Hotel. I appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and discuss your concerns regarding the Restoration Program.

Enclosed is your per diem check for meals and incidentals. The check has been reduced \$16.71 to cover phone charges that were left unpaid when you checked out of your room.

If you have any questions regarding this reduction, please contact Cherri Womac at 1-800-478-7745.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

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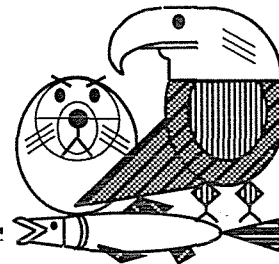
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon   
Executive Director

DATE: March 2, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95244/Seal and Sea Otter Cooperative Subsistence  
Harvest Assistance

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 95244/Seal and Sea Otter Cooperative Subsistence Harvest Assistance, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist (see attached).

Attachment

cc: Dean Hughes  
Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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S C I E N C E S

March 1, 1995

Dr. Dean Hughes  
Assistant Fisheries Program Manager  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
333 Raspberry Road  
Anchorage, AK 99518-1599

RE: Detailed Project Description for Project 95244 (Seal and Sea Otter Cooperative Assistance)

VIA FAX and Mail

Dear Dean:

I received a reply to my letter of February 22, 1995, regarding the above project from the principal investigator. After considering her comments, I believe that this project needs no further review and is ready for full funding.

Sincerely,

*R.B. Spies*  
Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

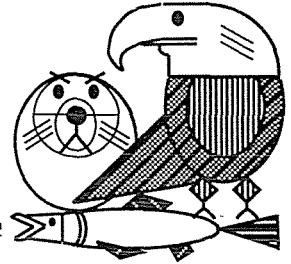
cc: Molly McCammon  
Tracie Cramer  
Joe Sullivan  
James Fall

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director 

DATE: March 2, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95320E/Juvenile Salmon and Herring Integration

The purpose of this memorandum is to authorize expenditure of \$60,900 in Trustee Council funds for time-sensitive work and equipment purchases associated with the PWS System Investigation sub-project 95320E/Juvenile Salmon and Herring Integration, as recommended by the Chief Scientist (see attached letter dated February 27, 1995).

I would, however, like to call your attention to two budget items.

1. The budget includes \$376,500 for vessel charters and \$40,000 to purchase fuel for the charters (these funds were approved for expenditure on February 3, 1995). The budget documents do not specify whether the agency is responsible for providing fuel or whether fuel will be included in the contracted charters. If the contracted charters include fuel, any savings should be lapsed.
2. The budget includes funds for an aluminum skiff and an outboard motor. It is not clear whether you have considered using equipment previously purchased by the Trustee Council. All Trustee Council agencies should use existing equipment to the maximum extent possible, and any savings should be lapsed.

Attachment

cc: Mark Willette  
Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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February 27, 1995

To: Molly McCammon, Executive Director

From: Robert Spies, Chief Scientist *RS*

In the attached memos from Joe Sullivan and Mark Willette it can be seen that the allocation of funds between the "report writing/interim" and remaining categories" for 95320 were not appropriate to allow for continuous operation of this project. A loss of continuity in this project would compromise the ability of the principal investigator to meet the project goals. In addition, there are some time-critical equipment purchases that have to be initiated now in order to have the equipment arrive in time for the field season. After reading the integrated DPD for the 95320 project I have every confidence that the reviewers will find this project has merit and recommend to me that it be funded. I therefore recommend that you authorize that \$60,000 be released to this project immediately.

CC: J. Sullivan  
M. Willette

OK.  
Molly McCammon  
Do memo:  
EP auth.

called Joe S.  
2/28/95 noon  
he'll call  
Willette  
memo to follow

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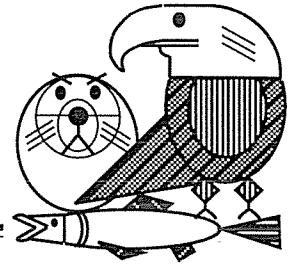


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March 2, 1995

Ms. Denny D. Weathers  
P.O. Box 1791  
Deep Bay, Alaska 99574

RE: Telephone comment of 3/1/95

Dear Ms. Weathers:

Thank you for contacting our office yesterday. Please know that the Trustee Council accepts written comment at any time. In addition, when the Trustee Council has meetings there is a period set aside for verbal testimony from the public. Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for late March.

Per your request for additional information, I have enclosed a copy of the *Restoration Plan* for your review. In particular, please note the Mission Statement on page 11 as well as the discussion on Habitat Protection and Acquisition on page 22.

If you would like to send a letter expressing your concerns to the Trustee Council, I will make sure that they receive it.

If you have further questions please contact our office at 278-8012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric Myers".

Eric F. Myers  
Director of Operations

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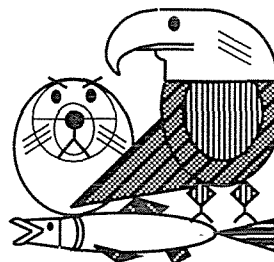
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## News Release - For Immediate Release

Date: March 1, 1995  
Contact: Phil Janik at 586-7853  
Molly McCammon at 278-8012  
Donna Platt or Luke Borer at 276-5121

## Trustee Council, Eyak Corp. reach agreement

The *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council and representatives of Eyak and Sherstone Corporations announced today at a joint press conference that they have reached a cooperative agreement which will result in protection of habitat important to restoration of resources and services injured in the 1989 oil spill.

"This agreement was structured to provide for habitat protection and Eyak's continued management of their economic resources, and at the same time, it protects an important area of viewshed for the Cordova community," said Phil Janik, U.S. Forest Service Regional Forester and member of the Trustee Council. "An essential element of the agreement is that both parties are committed to immediate commencement of a negotiation schedule, which upon conclusion should provide for the protection of other Eyak lands in eastern Prince William Sound with especially high resource value."

The agreement includes a number of potential timber exchange opportunities and possible purchases of timber rights. If successful, these actions will enable Eyak to go forward with logging on portions of their lands and also protect in perpetuity certain lands considered important for recovery of resources and services injured by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill.

More...

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"We are pleased because we have protected the interests of our shareholders and the community of Cordova," said Donna Platt, President of The Eyak Corporation. "Speaking on behalf of the Eyak board, it has been a long process, but we have all met in good faith to assure the best outcome possible for everyone concerned." Ms. Platt noted that the agreement is still subject to final approval by the boards of Eyak and Sherstone Corps.

As a result of the agreement, impacts from timber harvesting and road building activities in the viewshed area across from Shepard Point will be greatly minimized. This is an area many citizens of Cordova have identified as most important for recreation and tourism. Negotiations will continue regarding Eyak Corp. lands in Sheep Bay, Windy Bay & Port Gravina which are of the highest value for the Trustee Council's restoration objectives.

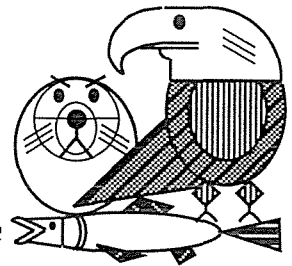
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Sullivan/ADFG

FROM: Molly McCammon  
Executive Director

DATE: March 1, 1995

RE: Authorization -- Project 95320G/Phytoplankton and Nutrients

The purpose of this memorandum is to authorize expenditure of Trustee Council funds for time-sensitive work associated with the PWS System Investigation sub-project 95320G/Phytoplankton and Nutrients, as recommended by the Chief Scientist (see attached letter dated March 1, 1995).

Attachment

cc: David Eslinger  
Bob Spies  
Traci Cramer

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March 1, 1995

Molly McCammon  
Oil Spill Restoration Office  
645 G Street  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3451

Dear Molly,

Today I received a copy of a request for early release of funds for the project "SEA: Phytoplankton and nutrients project" (95320 G). The memo of February 28, 1995 from David Eslinger, one of the principal investigators, to Joe Sullivan of ADF&G is attached. It is indeed important that the investigators for this project get into the field in March in advance of the annual plankton bloom and therefore need the funds that are being requested to achieve this goal. I had just recently received the integrated DPD for the entire SEA program and it is under review. I have every confidence that the reviewers will find that this portion of the SEA program should go ahead. There is, of course, some chance that they will suggest changes in the proposed project, but it is unlikely that they will affect equipment purchases or the funds to keep the staff working on last year's samples. I therefore recommend that you authorize release of the \$60,376 requested by Dr. Eslinger.

Sincerely yours,



Robert B. Spies  
Chief Scientist

CC: J. Sullivan  
S. Schubert  
D. Eslinger  
T. Cooney

