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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Trustee Council

THROUGH:

Molly McCammon

**Executive Director** 

FROM:

Traci Cramer

Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 29, 1996

RE:

Financial Report as of February 29, 1996

Attached is the Statement of Revenue, Disbursements and Fees, and accompanying notes for the Exxon Valdez Joint Trust Fund for the period ending February 29, 1996.

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

Joint Trust Fund Account Balance	\$66,556,052
Less: Current Year Commitments (Note 5)	\$39,655,500
Plus: Adjustments (Note 6)	<u>\$594,252</u>

Uncommitted Fund Balance \$27,494,804

Plus:	Future Exxon Payments (Note 1)	\$420,000,000
Less:	Remaining Reimbursements (Note 3)	23,300,000
Less:	Remaining Commitments (Note 7)	\$70.091.667

Total Estimated Funds Available \$354,103,137

Restoration Reserve

\$35,996,170

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

attachments

cc:

Restoration Work Force

Bob Baldauf

#### NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, DISBURSEMENTS AND FEES FOR THE EXXON VALDEZ JOINT TRUST FUND As of February 29, 1996

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

Received to Date \$480,000,000 Future Payments \$420,000,000

- 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 \$285,559.
- 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. The remaining reimbursements represents that amount due the State of Alaska.
- 4. Fees CRIS charges a fee of 10% for cash management services. Total paid since the last report is \$31,729.
- 5. Current Year Commitments Includes \$12,456,000 for the Alaska SeaLife Center, \$150,000 approved by the Council 1/96, \$7,049,500 for Small Parcel Acquisitions, and the following land payments.

<u>Seller</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>
Shuyak	\$8,000,000	March 1996
Koniag, Incorporated	\$4,500,000	September 1996
Akhiok-Kaguyak	\$7,500,000	September 1996

6. 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. Unreported interest and lapse is summarized below.

	Interest	Lapse
United States	\$39,566	
State of Alaska	\$594;252	

7. Remaining Commitments - Includes the following land payments.

<u>Seller</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Due</u>
Shuyak	\$2,194,266	October 1996
Shuyak	\$20,000,000	October 1997 through 2001
Shuyak	\$11,805,734	October 2002
Seal Bay	\$3,091,667	November 1996
Akhiok-Kaguyak	\$7,500,000	September 1997
Koniag, Incorporated	\$9,000,000	September 1997 and 1998
Koniag, Incorporated	\$16,500,000	September 2002

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#### STATEMENT OF REVENUE, DISBURSEMENT, AND FEES EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL JOINT TRUST FUND As of February 29, 1996

				To Date	Cumulative
<u> </u>	1993	1994	1995	1996	Total
REVENUE:					
Contributions: (Note 1)					
Contributions from Exxon Corporation	250,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	0	480,000,000
Less: Credit to Exxon Corporation for clean-up costs incurred	(39,913,688)				(39,913,688)
Total Contributions	210,086,312	70,000,000	70,000,000	0	440,086,312
Interest Income: (Note 2)					
Exxon Corporation escrow account					<b>83</b> 1,233
Joint Trust Fund Account	1,378,000	3,736,000	5,706,666	2,189,498	13,606,164
Total Interest	1,378,000	3,736,000	5,706,666	2,189,498	14,437,397
Total Revenue	211,464,312	73,736,000	75,706,666	2,189,498	454,523,709
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Reimbursement of Past Costs: (Note 3)					
State of Alaska	29,000,000	25,000,000			83,267,842
United States	36,117,165	6,271,600	2,697,000	00	69,812,045
Total Reimbursements	65,117,165	31,271,600	2,697,000	0	153,079,887
Disbursements from Joint Trust Account:					
State of Alaska	18,529,113	44,546,266	41,969,669	5,263,565	116,867,813
United States	9,105,881	6,008,387	48,019,928	11,222,224	80,676,920
Transfer to the Restoration Reserve				35,996,231	35,996,231
Total Disbursements	27,634,994	50,554,653	89,989,597	52,482,019	233,540,963
FEES:					
U.S. Court Fees (Note 4)	154,000	364,000	586,857	218,950	1,346,807
Total Disbursements and Fees	92,906,159	82,190,253	93,273,454	52,700,969	387,967,657
Increase (decrease) in Joint Trust	118,558,153	(8,454,253)	(17,566,788)	(50,511,471)	66,556,052
Joint Trust Account Balance,	24,530,411	143,088,564	134,634,311	117,067,523	
beginning balance				* *	
Joint Trust Account Balance, end of period	143,088,564	134,634,311	117,067,523	66,556,052	
Current Year Commitments: (Note 5)			r		(39,655,500)
Adjustments: (Note 6)					594,252
Uncommitted Fund Balance					27,494,804
Remaining Reimbursements (Note 3)					(23,300,000)
Remaining Commitments: (Note 7)					(70,091,667)
Total Estimated Funds Available					354,103,137
Restoration Reserve			,		35,996,170

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#### Statement 1

#### Statement of Exxon Settlement Funds As of February 29, 1996

Beginning Balance of Settlement	900,000,000
Receipts:	
Interest Earned on Exxon Escrow Account	831,233
Net Interest Earned on Joint Trust Fund (See Note 1)	12,259,357
Interest Earned on United States and State of Alaska Accounts	2,566,864
Total Interest	15,657,455
Disbursements:	
Reimbursements to United States and State of Alaska	153,079,88 <b>7</b>
Exxon clean up cost deduction	39,913,688
Joint Trust Fund deposits	287,837,658
Total Disbursements	480,831,233
Funds Available	420 000 000
Exxon future payments	420,000,000
Balance in Joint Trust Fund (See Statement 2)	66,556,052
Future acquisition payments  Alaska Sealife Center	(97,141,167) (12,456,000)
	(23,300,000)
Remaining Reimbursements Other (See Note 2)	594,252
Total Estimated Funds Available	354,253,137
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#### Footnotes:

Note 1: Gross interest earned less District Court registry fees. Note 2: Adjustment for unreported interest earned and lapse

<sup>1-</sup> The Trustee Council increased the Forest Service portion of 96126 by \$150,000. As of this report, a request has not been made to the Court and the \$150,000 is reflected in the Total Estimated Funds Available.

<sup>2 -</sup> The adjustment for Future acquisition payments includes both current year and remaining commitments relating to approved land payments for large and small parcel acquisitions.

#### Statement 2

# Cash Flow Statement Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Settlement United States and State of Alaska Joint Trust Fund As of February 29, 1996

Receipts:		
Exxon payments		
Deposit December 1991	36,837,111	
Deposit December 1992	56,586,312	
Deposit September 1993	68,382 <b>,835</b>	•
Deposit September 1994	58,728,400	
Deposit September 1995	67,303,000	
Total Deposits	287,837,658	287,837,658
Interest Earned	13,606,164	
Total Interest	13,606,164	13,606,164
Total Receipts		201 442 922
Tutal necelpis		301,443,822
Disbursements:		
Court requests		
Withdrawal June 1992	12,879,700	
Withdrawal December 1992	6,567,254	
Withdrawal June 1993	21,067,740	
Withdrawai November 1993	29,950,000	
Withdrawal November 1993	4,743,925	
Withdrawal June 1994	15,860,728	
Withdrawal October 1994	10,664,256	•
Withdrawal November 1994	3,111,204	
Withdrawal January 1995	13,911,091	
Withdrawal April 1995	17,200,000	
Withdrawal September 1995	1,652,014	
Withdrawal May 1996	30,951,032	
Withdrawal October 1995	12,500,000	
Withdrawal November 1995	11,294,667	i vita
Withdrawal January 1996	5,191,122	
Total Requests	197,544,733	197,544,733
District Court Fees	1,346,807	1,346,807
Transfer to the Restoration Reserve (2/15/96)		35,996,231
Total Disbursements		234,887,770
Balance in Joint Trust Fund		66,556,052

#### Schedule of Payments for Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Settlement Monies from Exxon As of February 29, 1996

	FFY 1991 December 31	FFY 1992 December 1	FFV 1992 September 1	FFY 1994 September 1	FFY 1995 September 1	
Disbursaments:	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	Total
Reimbursements:						
United States						
FFY92	24,726,280	0	0			24,726,280
FFY93	0	24,500,000	11,617,165			36,117,165
FFY94	0	0	0	6,271,600		6,271,600
FFY95	0	0	0		2,697,000	2,697,000
Total United States	24,726,280	24,500,000	11,617,165	6,271,600	2,697,000	69,812,045
State of Alaska						
General Fund:						
FFY92	25,313,756	0	0			25,313,756
FFY93	Q	16,685,133	0			16,685,133
FFY94	0	0	14,762,703			14,762,703
FFY95	O	0	0	0		0
Mitigation Account:						
FFY92	3,954,086	0	0			3,954,086
FFY93	0	12,314,867	0			12,314,867
FFY94	0	0	5,237,297	5,000,000		10,237,297
FFY95 (Prevention Account)	0	0	0		0	0
Total State of Alaska	29,267,842	29,000,000	20,000,000	5.000,000	0	83,267,842
Total Reimbursements	53,994,122	53,500,000	31,617,165	11.271,600	2.697,000	153,079,887
Deposits to Joint Trust Fund						
FFY92	36,837,111	0	0			36,837,111
FFY93	0	56,586,312	68,382,835			124,969,147
FFY94	0	0	0			0
FFY95	0	0	0	58,728,400	67,303,000	126,031,400
Total Deposits to Joint Trust Fund	36,337,111	56,586,312	68,382,835	58,728,400	67,303,000	287,837,658
Exxon clean up cost deduction	0	39,913,688	0	0	0	39,913,688
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Total Disbursements	90,831,233	150.000,000	100,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	480,831,233
Remaining Exxon payments to be made:						
September 1994	0					
September 1995	0					
September 1996	70,000,000			•	• •	
September 1997	70,000,000			,		
September 1998	70,000,000					
September 1999	70,000,000					
September 2000	70,000,000					
September 2001	70,000,000					
	420,000,000					

#### Schedule of Disbursements for Exxon Valdex Oil Spill United States and State of Alaska Joint Trust Fund As of February 29, 1996

	June 1992	Decomber 1992	Juno 1993	Novanibar 1993	December 1993	Juna 1994	October 1994	November 1994	January 1995	April 1995	May 1995	Saptember 1995	October 1995	November 1995	January 1996	Total .
Disbursoments:																
Court Requests																•
United States FFY92 FFY93 FFY94 FFY95	6,320,500 0 0 0	0 3,074,029 0 0	6,031,852 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 2,516,069 0	0 0 3,492,318 0	0 3,576,179	o	4,676,182	17,200,000	1,480,251	21,087,316				6,320,500 9,105,881 6,006,387 48,019,928
FFY96 Total United States	6,320,500	3,074,023	6.031,852	0	2,516,069	3,492,318	3,576,179	0	4,676,182	17,200,000	1,480,251	21,087,316	0	8,000,000	3,222,224	11,222,224 69,454,698
State of Alaska FFY92	6,559,200	0	0	0	0	0			311.							6,569,200
FFY93 FFY94 FFY96	0	3,493,225 0 0	15,035,888 0 U	29,950,000 0	2,727,856 0	12,368,410 0	1,0880,1	3,311,204	9,234,909		171,763	9,863,716	12,500,000	3,294,667	1,968,898	18.529,113 44.546,266 41,969,669 5,263.565
Total State of Alaska	6,559,200	3,493,225	15,035,888	29,950,000	2,227.856	12,368,410	7,088,077	3.111,204	9,234,909	0	171,763	9,863,716	12,500,000	3,294,667	1,968,898	111,604.248
Total Court Requests	12,879,700	6,567,254	21,067,740	29,950,000	4,743,925	15,860,728	10.664,256	3,111,204	13,911,091	17,200,000	1,652,014	30,951,032	12,500,000	11,294,667	5,191,122	181,058,944
District Court Fees																1,346,807
Transfer to the Restoration Reserve	(2/15/96)															35,996.231
Total Disbursements																218,401,981

Total Disbursements represent the amount of funds which were either transferred to the State or Federal Governments and the Payment of District Court Fees.

#### Schedule of Work Plan Authorizations and Other Authorizations

	FFY 92	FFY 93	FFY 94	FFY 95	FFY 96	Total
Work Man authorizations						
United States:						
June 15, 1992	6,320,500	0	0			
January 25, 1993	0	3,113,900	0			
January 25, 1993	0	6,035,500	0			
November 10, 1993 November 30, 1993	0	0	0			
June 1994	U	0	2,567.800 4,536,800			
June 1994			84,500			
July 1994			1,500,000			
August 1994			1,500,000	2,245,600		
November 1994				2.842,900		
December 1994				749,600		
March 1995				1,484,100		
August 1995					6.202.100	
December 1995					3,270,900	
January 1996	<del></del>				150.000	
Total United States	6,320,500	9,149,400	3,689,100	7,322,200	9,623,000	41,104,200
State of Alaska						
June 15, 1992	6,559,200	0	0			
January 25, 1993	0	3,574,000	0			
January 25, 1993	0	7,570,900	0			
November 30, 1993	0	1,500,000	4,454,300			
June 1994			12,391,700			
June 1994			215,800			
July 1994			0	7 717 200		
August 1994 November 1994				7.717,200 9.098,700		
December 1994				180,500		
March 1995				492,600		
August 1995					12,690,300	
December 1995					2,231,100	
Total State of Alaska	5,559,200	12.644,900	17,061.300	:7,489,000	14,921,400	68,676,300
Total Work Plan authorizations	12,879,700	21,794,300	25,750,900	24,811,200	24,544,400	109,780,500
Other Authorizations						
United States:						
Orca Narrows (6/94, Eyak)			2,000,000	1,650,000		3,650,000
Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge (3/95, 9/95 AKI)			2,000,000	21,000,000		21,000,000
Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge (3/95, 9/95 Old Harbor)				11,250,000		11,250,000
Koniag					8,000.000	8,000,000
Total United States			2,000,000	33,300,000	8.000,000	43,900,000
State of Alaska:						
Kachemak Bay State Park (1/95)		7,500,000				7,500,000
Seal Bay (11/93,11/94)		.,	29,950,000	3.229,042	3,294,667	36,473,709
Shuyak (3/96, 10/96 - 10/02					8,000.000	8,000,000
Alaska SeaLife Center					12,500,000	12,500,000
Total State of Alaska		7,500.000	29.950,000	3.229.042	23,794.567	64,473,709
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Total Land and Capital Acquisitions	0	7,500,000	31,950,000	37,129,042	31,794,667	108,373,709
Restoration Reserve			12,000,000	12.000.000	12,000,000	36,000,000
Total	12,879,700	29,294,300	69,700,900	73.940.242	68,339.067	254,154,209

#### Footnotes

Work Plan Authorization and Land/Capital Acquisitions only. Will not balance to the Schedule of Disbursements from the Joint Trust Fund or the court requests due to the reauthorization of projects (carry-forward) and deductions for interest and lapse.

This schedule does tie to the quarterly reports with the exception of 93' and 92'. In FY93 the Work Plan represented the transition to the Federal Fiscal Year from the Oil Year or a seven month period. This schedule presents authorization on the Federal Fiscal Year and as such FFY92 and FFY93 does not balance.

The Trustee Council conditionally approved \$181,900 for Fleming Spit on 6/1/95. However, the project has not approved by the Department of Justice and as such has not been included on this statement.

• .	Exxon V	/aldez Oil Spill	Joint Trust Fur	nd Account							
	Intere	st Earned/Dist	rict Court Regis	stry Fees							
As of February 29, 1996											
FFY 1992 FFY 1993 FFY 1994 FFY 1995 FFY 1996											
Earnings Deposits	17,683	31,124	33,476	55,809		138,092					
Earnings Allocated:											
1991	28,704					28,704					
1992	526,613	553,696				1,080,309					
1993		639,180	1,461,735			2,100,915					
1994			1,876,789	1,402,937		3,279,726					
1995				3,661,063	1,970,548	5,631,611					
Total	555,317	1,192,876	3,338,524	5,064,000	1,970,548	12,121,265					
Total Earnings	573,000	1,224,000	3,372,000	5,119,809	1,970,548	12,259,357					
Registry Fees:	0.450			<u> </u>		0.100					
1991	3,189	400.000				3,189					
1992	19,811	100,223	170.050		<u>:</u>	120,034					
1993	i	53,777;	179,658	100.070		233,435					
1994			184,342	180,072 406,785	218,950	364,414 625,735					
1995	. 22.000	154.000:	264.000	586,857	218,950	1,346,807					
Total	23,000	154,000	364,000	380,837	210,950[	1,340,807					
Gross Earnings	596,000	1,378,000	3,736,000	5,706,666	2,189,498	13,606,164					
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	As of February	29, 1996	
	State of Alaska	United States	
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	T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	MIDAGI	10(a)
June 1992	22,675		22,675
July 1992	23,952		23,952
August 1992	21,300		
September 1992	12,847		21,300
October 1992	13,774	'	12,847
November 1992	11,775		13,774
December 1992	9,463		11,775
January 1993	<del></del>		9,463
February 1993	7,670	<del> </del>	7,670
March 1993	16,263	! ! !	16,263
April 1993	13,862		13,862
	11,568		11,568
May 1993	10,309		10,309
June 1993	7,713		7,713
July 1993	38,502	!	38,502
August 1993	31,719	!	31,719
September 1993	21,069	:	21,069
October 1993	19,030	1 !	19,030
November 1993	28,561		28,561
December 1993	16,817		16,817
January 1994	22,398	117.170	22,398
February 1994	19,086	117,178	136,264
March 1994	20,754	·	20,754
April 1994	18,714		18,714
May 1994	15,878		15,878
June 1994	17,707	34,621	52,328
July 1994	52,823	<del></del>	52,823
August 1994	43,845	·	43,845
September 1994	40,408	43,567	83,975
October 1994	44,291	(5,950)	38,341
November 1994	63,286	<u></u>	63,286
December 1994	67,496		67,496
January 1995	89,341	3,849	93,190
February 1995	100,714		100,714
March 1995	104,570		104,570
April 1995	95,432	17,033	112,465
May 1995	92,595		92,595
June 1995:	80,613	<u> </u>	80,613
July 1995	76,424	50,042	126,466
August 1995	68,771	0 .	68,771
September 1995	59,945	<u>:</u>	59,945
October 1995	133,486	44,826	178,313
November 1995	154,119	:	154,119
December 1995	143,917		143,917
January 1996	134,300	;	134,300
February 1996	122,348	39,567	161,915
Total	2,222,131	344,733	2,566,864
NOTES: The \$117,178 N	RDA&R interest figure is a cumu	lative amount. Monthly and	
	vailable for prior periods. Bob Bag on a quarterly basis.	aldauf at the Office of Budget:	
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### Schedule of Interest Adjustments to the Court Requests As of February 29, 1996

	June 1992	December 1992	June 1993	December 1993	June 1994	October 1994	November 1994	December 1994	March 1995	August 1995	January 1996	Total	Unallocated Interest
Disbursements:													
Court Requests													•
United States FFY92 FFY93 FFY94 FFY95 FFY96		0 39,871	3,648	51,231	22,427	34,621		37,618	3,849	63,226	48.676	0 43,519 73,658 139,314 48,676	
Total United States		0 39,871	3,648	51,231	22,427	34,621	0	37,618	3,849	63,226	48,676	305,167	39,566
State of Alaska FFY92 FFY93 FFY94 FFY95 FFY96		0 80.775	35,012	64,944	239,090	52,823	117,838	44,291	320,837	449,634	262,202	0 115,787 304,034 985,423 262,202	
Total State of Alaska		0 80,775	35.012	64,944	239,090	52,823	117,838	44,291	320,837	449,634	262,202	1,667,446	554,686
Total Adjustment		0 120,646	38,660	116,175	261,517	87,444	117,838	81,909	324,686	512,860	<del></del>	1,972,613	594,252

#### Footnotes:

The unallocated interest is tied to the INT Acct. sheet.

# Schedule of Lapse Adjustments to the Court Requests As of February 29, 1996

	December 1993	June 1994	August 1995	Total
Disbursements:				
Court Requests				
United States				
FFY92				0
FFY93				0
FFY94		3,106,555		3,106,555
FFY95				0
FFY96			301,558	301,558
Γotal United States	0	3,106,555	301,558	3,408,113
itate of Alaska				
FY92				0
FY93				0
FY94	3,661,600			3,661,600
FFY95				0
FFY96			2,376,950	2,376,950
Total State of Alaska	3,661,600	0	2,376,950	6,038,550
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Total Adjustment	3,661,600	3,106,555	2,678,508	9,446,663

#### Footnote

The August 1995 adjustment for the Federal Government included an \$80,700 reimbursement associated with excessive payment for final costs relating to damage assessment activities.

**Restoration Office** 

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Restoration Work Force, Liaisons, and Principal Investigators

From:

Molly McCampan, Elecutive Director

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Submission of Manuscripts to Fulfill Report Requirements

Date:

March 29, 1996

The Trustee Council encourages principal investigators to publish the results of their work in peer-reviewed journals, and one way to do this is to allow manuscripts to fulfill requirements for project reports (both annual and final) to the Trustee Council. The instructions for preparation of Detailed Project Descriptions in the *Invitation to Submit Restoration Proposals for Federal Fiscal Year 1997* (Appendix A, p. 7) state: "With approval of the Chief Scientist and the Executive Director, on a project-by-project basis, the publications referenced above may satisfy a portion of the report requirements."

The Restoration Office has received requests from several PIs to submit manuscripts as reports, and the following is offered as guidance for anyone considering this option:

Reports are the primary and permanent record of how restoration funds have been used and of what has been learned or accomplished with those funds. It is therefore necessary that annual and final reports contain complete descriptions of project activities and results. With approval of the Chief Scientist and the Executive Director, on a project-by-project basis, manuscripts may satisfy a portion of the report requirements. Project investigators should contact the Science Coordinator (Stan Senner) at the Restoration Office with such requests in advance of submitting a report.

Every report, regardless of whether it is in standard or manuscript format, must include items A through C (Report Cover through Study History, etc.) in the *Procedures for the Preparation & Distribution of Reports* (August 1995).

If a project's activities and results can be **completely** described within one or more manuscripts being prepared for publication, then a copy of that manuscript(s) may be submitted as the entire body of the report.

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If a project's activities and results cannot be described completely within one or more manuscripts, the manuscript(s) may serve as a portion of the report. In such cases, the combination of the manuscript and additional report material must present anorganized, integrated, and complete account of project activities and results. In most cases, it is anticipated that a report will be prepared in standard format (i.e., according to the procedures cited above) with the material covered in the manuscript cited in the text of the report and the manuscript itself included as an appendix to the report.

Such an approach will allow PIs to take advantage of the work invested in the manuscript while ensuring that annual and final reports fully address all of the objectives for which the Trustee Council provided funds. For example, consider a project that has five objectives, two of which are addressed in a manuscript. In this case, the report would focus on the three objectives not covered by the manuscript. The two objectives covered by the manuscript would be cited in the report as needed (e.g., in the Methods and Results sections) and substantively integrated into the Discussion section, where there should be an overall discussion of the project.

Finally, when a manuscript is submitted to the Chief Scientist as a report or part of a report, we strongly prefer that the manuscript is submitted as a draft before it has been submitted to a journal. In these cases, the Restoration Office will work with the Chief Scientist to ensure a rapid (e.g., less than 30 days) turn-around so that the PI will not be delayed in submitting the manuscript to the journal. This procedure will give the PI the positive benefit of EVOS peer review early in the process and minimize the chance that results published in the peer-reviewed literature are not acceptable as Trustee Council reports to the Chief Scientist and EVOS reviewers.

Manuscripts that serve as reports (or parts of reports) must be in a form that can be duplicated with other reports in the Oil Spill Public Information Center, as are all EVOS project reports. For this reason alone, conflicts with a journal's copyright may make submission of an already-published manuscript problematic.

The guidelines above are intended to supplement the August 1995 version of the *Procedures for the Preparation & Distribution of Report*. Until this document is revised and reissued, please attach this memorandum to your copy.

Thank you.

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March 29, 1996

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sapp 12316 Lake Street #D Eagle River, Alaska 99577

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sapp,

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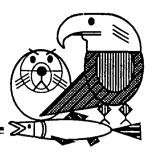
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Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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March 29, 1996

Karen Williams Homestead Elementary School 18001 Baranoff Avenue Eagle River, Alaska 99577

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March 29, 1996

Roxann Kopischke Homestead Elementary School 18001 Baranoff Avenue Eagle River, Alaska 99577

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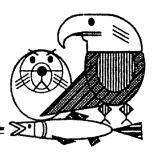
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March 29, 1996

Chuck Woodfin Homestead Elementary School 18001 Baranoff Eagle River, Alaska 99577

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Catherine Berg/DOI

FROM:

Molly McCammon.

Executive Director

RE:

Authorization -- Project 96144/Common Murre Population Monitoring

DATE:

March 29, 1996

The purpose of this memorandum is to formally approve work to proceed on Project 96144/Common Murre Population Monitoring, as described in the Detailed Project Description and consistent with the review of the Chief Scientist.

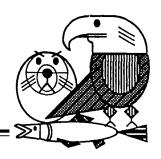
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**Bob Spies** 

Traci Cramer

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### <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

Bill Johnson

FROM:

Eric Myers 🙌 🗋

DATE:

3/29/96

SUBJ:

**NBS Contract Materials** 

Thanks again for your continuing assistance. Attached you will find:

- 1. The original RFP.
- 2. The NBS proposal.
- 3. The original NBS-State of Alaska/ADFG contract.
- 4. Amendments 1 and 2.
- 5. NBS Status Reports.

Jeff Lawrence and I are consolidating our notes on what we see as remaining to be done. I am also soliciting input from all of the staff as to what technical problems they are continuing to encounter.

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March 28, 1996

R. Ted Cooney School of Fisheries & Ocean Sciences University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-1080

Re: SEA Project (96320)

Dear Ted:

This letter is written in response to recent SEA Project communications regarding an extension of time for the FY 1996 annual report, the FY 1997 budget in relation to the target budget of \$3.6 million, the possibility of Pacific herring work in FY 1999, and the contracts between NOAA and the Prince William Sound Science Center. I will address these issues in that order:

#### Extension for FY 1995 Annual Report

I recognize that you have your hands full in pulling together the FY 1995 report at the same time as you are working on the FY 1997 Detailed Project Description. Thus, as per the letter from Bill Hauser dated March 18, I approve your request to submit the integrated FY 1995 report on the SEA project on April 30.

#### Shifting FY 1998 Funds into the FY 1997 Budget

You have requested permission to shift \$240K from the FY 1998 budget to FY 1997 in order to increase resources available for the modeling part of the SEA Project. My understanding is that the FY 1998 budget will be reduced accordingly. I have no objection to your building a budget along these lines. However, the Trustee Council staff will have to evaluate your formal proposal and budget through the normal review of the FY 1997 Work Plan, and I am likely to recommend to the Trustee Council that approval of such a shift in funding be contingent on completion of a successful special review of the modeling component in autumn 1996 if the Chief Scientist finds that such a review is necessary and appropriate.

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To sum up the overall budget picture for FY 1997, what you then have to work with is:

\$3,600,000 (budget target)

- 250,000 (working estimate for agency administrative costs)

+ 240,000 (shift from FY 1998)

3,590,000 (available for the SEA Project, which includes the \$589.1K in FY 1997 report writing costs approved by Trustee Council in August 1995)

#### Herring Work in FY 1999

You had asked about the opportunity for additional Pacific herring work to be proposed in FY 1999. There is no objection to the submission of herring proposals in FY 1999, so long as you understand that **there are no advance assurances of funding**. In other words, any herring work proposed in FY 1999 will compete for funds with all other project proposals.

#### **NOAA-PWSSC Contracts**

In regard to the timing of the NOAA-PWSSC contracts vis a vis the ADFG-UAF agreements, I am sympathetic to the challenge it creates to have these components on different timetables. From a planning perspective, however, this is something we all have known since August 1995 when the Trustee Council approved the funds for the ADFG "Request for Alternative Procurement" needed to bridge the ADFG and NOAA contracts. You and your colleagues are going to have to map the science program over the next two years and then package the components temporally according to the sources of funds. Awkward as this may be, I see no alternative.

Let me be clear that the FY 1996 funds for the PWSSC components approved by the Trustee Council are specifically intended to cover FY 1996 field work and the associated report writing in FY 1997 on FY 1996 field work. To the extent that any FY 1996 funds will cover field work in FY 1997, I understand that such work will be only that which is essential to complete the 1996 field season. Thus, these funds are not to be used for field activity that is new and not previously approved by the Trustee Council.

Accordingly, the funds included in the NOAA contracts are to cover all PWSSC costs for the 1996 field season and associated report writing. (I have attached a breakout of Project 96320M budgets as an example.) I note that the period of performance on the NOAA contracts ends January 30, 1997, but that reports are due on April 15, 1997. Even though there are sufficient funds to cover the report-writing costs, I am concerned about how PWSSC is to bill NOAA for report costs incurred after January 30 and before April 15. It appears that it will be necessary

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to amend the contracts to extend the period of performance to at least April 15 (or perhaps longer to allow any exchanges with peer reviewers). I will encourage NOAA to do so as soon the initial contracts are in place.

In regard to the FY 1997 budgets, which you and your colleagues are now assembling, I want to be clear that the UAF and PWSSC budget will differ. The UAF budgets should be strict 12-month budgets corresponding with the federal Fiscal Year (October 1-September 30). The PWSSC budgets, on the other hand, should include the field activities to be carried out in FY 1997, plus the costs of writing reports (i.e., deliverables) on those activities, even if the report writing physically occurs in FY 1998 (see Report Writing instructions on p. B11, Invitation to Submit Restoration Proposals for Federal Fiscal Year 1997). Given the timing of the NOAA-BAA contracts (as described above), the FY 1997 PWSSC budget also should include field activities needed in the autumn that are essential to complete the FY 1997 field season. Such field activities, however, should be strictly limited to what is essential to complete the prior 1997 season.

#### Conclusion

Although I believe that the asynchronous funding cycles are unavoidable, I hope that the replies above are responsive to your requests and concerns. I am convinced of the worth of the SEA project and know that you are working hard to make it a success. To that end, the Trustee Council staff, ADFG, and NOAA will assist you in every way we can. I am especially eager that collectively we begin to develop a stronger idea of what is required in FY 1999 to close-out and synthesize the current SEA project as well as the longer-term program, including the possibilities of on-going monitoring and management applications for the SEA, APEX, and NVP projects.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon 🛧

Executive Director

enclosure: Attachment A

cc: Byron Morris & Bruce Wright, NOAA
Joe Sullivan & Bill Hauser, ADFG

Bob Spies & Andy Gunther. AMS

#### **EXAMPLE:** Project 96320-M — Physical Oceanography

1. For Project 320-M, the FY 96 Work Plan authorized:

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Report Writing (in FY 96) resulting from FY 95 work	179.0	(to ADFG for RAP)
FY 96 Field Season work	295.0	(to NOAA for BAA contract)
Report Writing (in FY 97) resulting from FY 96 work	146.4	(to NOAA for BAA contract)
Program Management and General Administration	25.4	(to ADFG and NOAA)
TOTAL authorized:	645.8	

NOTE: FY 96 Field Season (295.0) + resulting Report Writing (in FY 97) = 441.4

- 2. The estimated (but not yet authorized by the Trustee Council) cost for continued work on 320-M in FY 97, as reflected in the approved detailed budget forms, was 337.5. [Note: The 337.5 figure is the same as estimated for 320-M work in FY 97 presented in the Sound Ecosystem Asessment (SEA): An Integrated Science Plan for the Restoration of Injured Species in Prince William Sound dated August 1, 1995 (Attachment 3).]
- The NOAA FY 96 work plan BAA contract for 320-M is structured into two parts, a "Base Period" and and an "Option Period" (see Section B.1 Offer Schedule, page 3 of 47).
  - "Base Period" (441.4) reflects Trustee Council authorized work on 320-M to be conducted under the NOAA BAA contract to complete FY 96 data collection and reporting as described in the approved FY 96 budget.
  - "Option Period" (337.5) is an estimate only of work that may be performed. Exercise of the "Option Period" as provided in the NOAA contract (Section H - Special Contract Requirements, page 12 of 47) would require additional Trustee Council action to authorize funding.

NOAA BAA Contract Period		Co	est
<ul><li>— "Base Period" (2/1/96 - 1/31/97)</li><li>— "Option Period" (2/1/97 - 1/31/98)</li></ul>	-		(FY 96 field + report writing) (FY 97 field + report writing)
	TOTAL	778.9	

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Base Period" calculation:

<sup>441.4 = 295.0 (</sup>FY 96 Field work) + 146.4 (Report Writing for FY 96 field work)

<sup>&</sup>quot;Option Period" (337.5) is an *estimate* of FY 97 field work and associated report writing. No Trustee Council authorization to expend these funds has been given.

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Public Advisory Group

FROM:

Molly McCammon, Executive Director

DATE:

March 27, 1996

SUBJ:

Update and Enclosures

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with a quick update on recent developments:

- 1. Financial Audit A copy of the audit prepared by Elgee, Rehfeld & Funk is enclosed. The Auditors' Report found the federal and State of Alaska financial statements to be in sound order consistent with accepted accounting principles. The most significant issues identified by the audit concern the fees paid to the Court system to invest the settlement funds and the lack of an ability to transfer funds by wire, which reduces interest earnings. Additionally, the audit provides some recommendations regarding ways to further improve administration of the restoration program. We will be working to address these recommendations through a revision and update to the Financial Operating Procedures. I have also included a copy of the press release distributed regarding the audit.
- Trustee Council Meeting A tentative meeting date of May 2, 1996 has been set for the next Trustee Council meeting. The primary focus of the meeting will be the Chenega and Tatitlek large parcel habitat protection efforts.
- 3. PAG Field Trip Please note that the fall PAG field trip has been scheduled for September 18-19. Additional information regarding the trip will be forthcoming.
- 4. PAG Meeting Minutes A copy of the Meeting Summary from the most recent March 13, 1996 PAG meeting are enclosed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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#### News Release - For Immediate Release

Date:

March 20, 1996

96-06

Contact:

Molly McCammon or L.J. Evans at 907/278-8012

### Trustee Council Releases Independent Auditors' Findings

The trust funds overseen by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council were given a clean bill of health in an independent audit released by the Trustee Council in Anchorage today.

The Juneau firm of Elgee, Rehfield and Funk conducted the audit as the result of a competitive solicitation authorized by the Trustee Council.

"We're very pleased that the audit's findings affirm that our financial statements and accounting system are in good shape," the Council's Executive Director Molly McCammon said.

"As part of its trust responsibilities, the Council wanted to assure the public that the trust funds were being well managed, and that's why having an audit done was a high priority."

McCammon noted that at the Council's request, the audit team also examined the financial management of Council-funded projects within individual state and federal agencies. "The auditors made a number of recommendations to improve management practices, and we'll be following up on those during this next year."

The most significant issues the auditors identified were the fees paid to the Court system to invest the council's funds, and the lack of an ability to transfer funds by wire, which reduces interest earnings.

"We've turned these issues over to legal counsel and asked them to develop recommendations on how to address them," McCammon said.

The audit of the Trustee Council funds and expenditures cost \$48,710.

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Press advisory: Copies of the audit summary are available at the Oil Spill Public Information Center at 645 G St., Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, or call 278-8008, toll-free within Alaska at 1-800-478-7745.

### **Meeting Summary**

A. GROUP:

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group (PAG)

B. DATE/TIME:

March 13, 1996

C. LOCATION:

Anchorage, Alaska

#### D. MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

#### Name

#### Principal Interest

Rupert Andrews Kim Benton Chris Beck Sport Hunting and Fishing Forest Products Public-at-Large Environmental

Pam Brodie Sheri Buretta Jim Diehl

Public-at-Large Recreation Users

Dave Dengel (for Dave Cobb)

Local Government Science/Academic

John French
James King

Public-at-Large Commercial Tourism

Nancy Lethcoe Vern McCorkle Brenda Schwantes

Public-at-Large Subsistence

Thea Thomas
Chuck Totemoff

Gordon Zerbetz

Commercial Fishing
Native Landowners
Public-at-Large

#### E. NOT REPRESENTED:

#### Name

#### **Principal Interest**

Mary McBurney Chip Dennerlein Aquaculture Conservation

Georgianna Lincoln (ex officio) Alan Austerman (ex officio)

Alaska State Senate Alaska State House

#### F. OTHER PARTICIPANTS:

#### Name

#### **Organization**

Veronica Christman

Trustee Council Staff

L.J. Evans

Trustee Council Staff
AK Dept. Natural Resources

Carol Fries
Sharon Gagnon

Jim King Alternate

Dave Gibbons
Carrie Holba

U.S. Forest Service

Eleanor Huffines George Keeney Oil Spill Public Info. Center Nancy Lethcoe Alternate

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Molly McCammon Trustee Council Executive Director

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Eric Myers Trustee Council Staff

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Sandra Schubert Trustee Council Staff
Stan Senner Trustee Council Staff
Joe Sullivan AK Dept. Fish and Game

Martha Vlasoff EVOS Community Coordinator
Dave Wigglesworth AK Dept. of Envir. Conservation

Bill Wilcox Valdez

Cherri Womac Trustee Council Staff

#### G. SUMMARY:

The meeting was opened March 13 at 9:05 a.m. by Vern McCorkle, Chair. Roll call was taken, a quorum was present. No modifications were identified for the summary of the December 6, 1995 PAG meeting.

Molly <u>McCammon</u> provided the Executive Director's report. She reviewed the status of habitat protection negotiations, including land acquisitions at Eyak, Tatitlek, Chenega, English Bay, Konig, Afognak Joint Venture, and Shuyak. She also covered the small parcel program (attachment #3), noting that the State Legislature had to accept EVOS funds in order to acquire the parcels for the State (attachment #4).

The EVOS audit report is complete, and once it is delivered to the Trustee Council members, it will be mailed to the PAG. Some highlights: finances/trust fund accounts were determined to be in good shape; a revision of the Financial Operating Procedures is recommended, the auditors believe the fees paid to the Court system in Texas for handling trust fund investments appear too high; and use of wire transfers of funds is suggested.

McCammon summarized recent public outreach efforts (attachment #5). Kodiak Island public meetings will be held in Kodiak villages March 27-29; the Trustee Council plans a meeting in Kodiak this spring; a PAG field trip will be scheduled for lower Cook Inlet this spring or fall; and a community workshop will be held in Anchorage April 9-10 to discuss protocols for collections and use of traditional ecological knowledge protocols. Press contacts increased after the oil spill on the coast of Wales. John Bauer (ADEC) and Bob Spies (Chief Scientist) went to Wales to advise on cleanup and restoration planning (at the expense of the British and on behalf of Alaska Governor Tony Knowles).

The EVOS Annual Report will be available the week of March 23, and will be mailed to PAG members. Additional copies are available upon request.

The Alaska SeaLife Center has achieved full financing for the project, and thus met the contingency placed on approval by the State Legislature of the Council's \$25 million

contribution. The bid for construction was announced Monday and bids will be opened April 23. The Center is scheduled for operation in 1998.

A project status report was mailed to PAG members. The FY 1997 Invitation to Submit Restorations Proposals has gone public. The request for proposals is more targeted this year. Funds available for projects total approximately \$16 million (about \$14 million is earmarked for continuing projects, so about \$2 million will be competitive). Veronica Christman reviewed the project proposal/work plan schedule (attachment #6).

A report on the progress and future of the Sound Waste Management Plan, an EVOS funded project, was given by Dave <u>Dengel</u>, Bill <u>Wilcox</u>, George <u>Keeney</u>, Chris <u>Overbeck</u>, Chuck <u>Totemoff</u>, and Dave <u>Wigglesworth</u> (attachment #7). Opportunities to clean up and prevent further contamination from oil and other wastes were examined. This has been a joint effort of the communities in Prince William Sound. The project received an award from the Alaska Municipal League.

Stan <u>Senner</u> reported on the 1996 EVOS Annual Workshop (attachment #8). Some 250-300 people participated. Several important findings and projects were highlighted, including presentations on traditional ecological knowledge, salmon escapement studies on the Kenai, harbor seals' food sources, and a database of trawl surveys of marine species (attachment #9). Updated recovery objectives for each injured resource and service will be going out for public review in the near future.

The meeting was opened at 1:00 for public comment. Charles McKee offered comments.

McCammon discussed the status of the Trustee Council communication plan (attachment #5). One focal point is providing information to the general public. Martha Vlasoff is helping with the community involvement project. Jodi Seitz has developed for the Trustee Council 13 short radio spots called "Alaska Coastal Currents," which provide information about restoration and recovery of the EVOS area. The Oil Spill Public Information Center (OSPIC) has logged over 9,000 "hits" on the EVOS Home Page on Internet. Carol Fries and Dorothy Mortenson reported on the project to synthesize scientific information and create an automated bibliography and geographic information system (GIS) database. Chris Beck outlined thoughts (attachment #10) on priorities for public information efforts—PAG members were asked to comment on the draft priorities. Pam Brodie noted that the Pratt Museum's traveling exhibit about EVOS was a useful public information tool. McCammon asked if the newsletter was worthwhile—PAG response was yes.

Ernie <u>Piper</u> reported on the residual oiling workshop, held in November 1995. Checking shorelines for oil is expensive. Oil is now stable and will not change much, so future monitoring may not be cost-effective. Residual oil appears not to be harmful to harbor seals. At issue is the perception of cleanliness—would you buy food from a dirty supermarket? The cleanup of residual oil in a high-use subsistence area, e.g., around Chenega, would cost \$2-3 million. Key questions are: Can we technically remove the oil? Would the cleanup hurt the environment more than leaving the oil? Is it cost-effective? What regulatory authority do we have to do this? Is there precedent to do a cleanup this far beyond the end of response?

Options for cleanup around Chenega will be presented to the Trustee Council for a decision in the near future.

Jim <u>King</u> reviewed his proposal (attachment #1) to create a University of Alaska endowed chairs program with restoration reserve funds. <u>McCammon</u> stated that the Trustee Council believes it would be premature to begin a full-scale public discussion of uses for the reserve fund for at lest another 1-2 years

Options for the next PAG field trip were discussed. A May or September trip to Homer, Seldovia, and Port Graham was outlined (attachment #11). No decision was made.

#### PAG members offered comments:

- —Nancy Lethcoe is interested in small parcel acquisitions.
- -Kim King encourages consideration of University endowed chairs.
- —John French supports the endowed chairs concept.
- —Jim Diehl supports the endowed chairs and is concerned about logging impacts on the Kenai Peninsula.
- —Sheri Buretta encourages including Natives in reserve fund discussions.
- —Pam Brodie suggests looking at how public lands in the EVOS area are managed.
- -Kim Benton stated the public information/GIS program looked good.
- —Rupert Andrews thought that our knowledge had advanced substantially since the spill.
- —Vern McCorkle asked that PAG members get extra copies of the Annual Report and pass them along, and that PAG members read the recovery update information mailed to them.

<u>McCammon</u> identified several items for consideration over the long-term: a synthesis of scientific reports, the 10th anniversary of the spill in March 1999 (a book describing 10 years of restoration efforts and a 10-year spill symposium are planned), the last Exxon payment is scheduled for 2001, and formal long-term planning for the restoration reserve will begin in the next 1-3 years.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

#### H. FOLLOW-UP:

- 1. <u>McCammon</u> will mail the EVOS Audit Report to PAG members.
- 2. <u>McCammon</u> will arrange to have the EVOS Audit Team give a presentation at the June PAG meeting.
- 3. <u>McCammon</u> will arrange for a presentation by Bob Spies on the Wales spill at a future PAG meeting.
- 4. Vern McCorkle and John French volunteered to participate in the development of the FY 1997 Work Plan on May 23.

- 5. McCammon will follow-up on timing for the PAG field trip.
- 6. PAG members are to send updates of addresses and phone numbers (attachment #12) to Cherri Womac—this information is available to the public.

#### I. NEXT MEETINGS:

- —PAG field trip: either mid-May or mid-September (to be determined)
- -PAG meeting: June 5, 1996
- —PAG meeting: August 7, 1996
- -Trustee Council meeting in Juneau: May 2, 1996

#### J. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Letter from PAG Member James King: A University of Alaska Endowment Plan

#### (for those not present):

- 2. Letter from Marilyn Talmage: Valdez Duck Flats Parcel
- 3. Memorandum from Molly McCammon: Small Parcel Habitat Protection Program
- 4. Memorandum from Molly McCammon: EVOS Amendment to CSHB 468 (FIN)
- 5. Memorandum from Molly McCammon: Update on EVOS Information/Communication
- 6. Calendar: FY 1997 Work Plan
- 7. Sound Waste Management Plan
- 8. 1996 Restoration Workshop Agenda
- 9. Graph of Marine Species Abundance
- 10. Memorandum from Chris Beck: Setting Priorities for Public Information
- 11. Scenarios for PAG Field Trip
- 12. EVOS PAG Member Names/Addresses/Telephones

#### K. CERTIFICATION:

PAG Chairperson	Date

#### James G King 1700 Branta Road Juneau, Alaska 99801

Members of the EVOS, PAG c/o Restoration Office, 645 G St. Anchorage, Alaska 99501 1/8/96

Dear Fellow PAG members,

As you know I have been struggling with trying to develop credible "advice" for the Trustee Council about using some Settlement funds for endowed programs that will benefit the damaged resources on into the future. I have attended almost every PAG meeting for the past 4 years. I have tried to achieve an understanding of the interests of all of you as well as what we hear from the public. Herewith is my proposal for your consideration.

I hope you will have a chance to review this before our February meeting so we can discuss it then. Please note it is still in draft form. If you find important omissions please let me know so I can weave them in.

Also please note that this is not a proposal to use any substantive amount of money now. It is "advice" about how and why a formal proposal should be developed to be considered, with what other proposals for use of the Restoration Reserve come to the Trustee Council, in the future.

Thanks and Happy New Year,

Sincerely,

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Jim King, PAG member, Public at Large.

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The Need To Develop A University of Alaska Endowment Plan Now!

#### INTRODUCTION

With half the time and half the money gone, now is a good time to review where we are with the \$900 million Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS) Settlement and where we want to be when the money is all paid up in 2002. A strong pattern is set:

- 1) Cleanup Oil can still be found in the spill area but the cleanup has been carried about as far as possible.
- 2) General Restoration The easy things have been done though there is hope that the research program will disclose some new opportunities.
- 3) Administration Costs for administering the Settlement funds have continued to decline while efficiency and productivity of the Restoration Office has continued to increase thanks too an outstanding staff.
- 4) Alaska SeaLife Center The goals of this enterprise have been tailored to fit the Settlement requirements and a major portion of the facility has been funded.
- 5) Research and Monitoring This continues a big cost. Development of an ecosystem approach has brought a lot of order to this effort and improves the promise of lasting resource benefits.
- 6) Habitat Protection Purchase of sensitive private lands continues though bargaining is sometimes intense.
- 7) Restoration Reserve This block of funds which will reach \$108 million, plus some interest, remains the last uncommitted portion of the Settlement.

The Trustee Council will ultimately have to consider various alternatives for use of the Restoration Reserve. It is important that the best possible alternatives be on the table for their own and public review. This paper recommends the Trustee Council ask the Restoration Office and the University of Alaska to prepare a detailed plan to use the Restoration Reserve for endowed academic chairs designed to fulfill the EVOS Settlement obliquations.

#### **EVOLUTION**

We have watched an interesting recovery evolution since the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill in March 1989. At first, damages were evident to anyone. Administrators and lawyers could address direct cleanup needs and compensations for obvious personal losses. In recognition of more subtle damage, the 1991 civil settlement of state and federal lawsuits required Exxon pay 900 million dollars over a ten year period; "... for the purpose of restoring, replacing, enhancing, or acquiring the equivalent of natural resources injured as a result of the Oil Spill and the reduced or lost services provided by such resources.... It is no longer obvious who and what is still damaged. Expensive studies about how to fulfill the Settlement commitment continue. There is a fear that the money will be used up in the next six years leaving a vacant feeling that more time was needed. This is recognized by the "reopener" clause in the Settlement and by establishment of the Restoration Reserve by the Trustee Council.

#### THE RESTORATION PLAN

The Restoration Plan, approved by the Trustee Council in November 1994, lays out a basic plan for the 900 million dollars:

A)	Annual work plans and administrative costs	21%-25%
B)	Habitat Purchase	38%-41%
C)	Restoration Reserve	12% -
D)	Alaska Sealife Center (Seward)	2% -
E)	Reimbursements for completed cleanup work	20% -
F)	Adjustments	<u> 3% -</u>
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This plan appears to accommodate most of the factors brought out by the various concerned parties during an exhaustive public review process. The annual work plans include well supported research and monitoring proposals some of which are now clustered under broad ecosystem headings. Habitat acquisition is proceeding and will provide multiple benefits. The restoration reserve is being funded at the rate of 12 million a year. The SeaLife Center is funded and under construction. Items E and F are committed. Some adjustments are possible as the process continues but there is a general consensus that the basic pattern is set.

#### ENDOWMENT PROPOSED

There is strong support in Alaska to use some of the Settlement money for an endowed program that will continue restoration and enhancement activities in perpetuity. Three years ago President Jerome Komisar, Senator Arlis Sturgeluski, Permanent Fund manager Dave Rose and other Alaska leaders addressed the Public Advisory Group(PAG)

proposing and supporting the concept of an endowed program. In 1993 some 33 thousand questionaires and 22 public hearings about how to use the Settlement funds produced more than two thousand responses. Two thirds of these respondents favored some form of endowment. About 50 people and organizations suggested endowing academic chairs at U of A, for permanent research and teaching about the damaged resources, even though the University was not mentioned in the questionnaire. The American Ornithologists' Union, The Wildlife Society and The Pacific Seabird Group (international professional organizations) each endorsed academic chairs. The Alaska District, American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists also endorsed endowed chairs at U of A, as did The Assembly of the city of Juneau, the American Bald Eagle Foundation and the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce.

#### RESTORATION RESERVE

The Restoration Reserve was set up largely to accommodate those that favored endowments. It does not directly impact the other EVOS activities. The debate on how the Restoration Reserve will be used was deferred and at present there is no firm plan as to how it will be used. It is available at the discretion of the Trustee Council. This is the money that could be placed in an endowment. A number of possibilities will no doubt be considered.

#### UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA CHAIRS

Support for placing the Restoration Reserve, or part of it, in the University Foundation remains high. There are a lot of attractive aspects to using endowed academic chairs to fulfill some of the Settlement obligations:

- 1) There has been a lot of thought, study and discussion about how to determine when a damaged resource or service is restored thus needs no more funding. This is getting more and more difficult as we get farther from the date of the spill. Do we really need to know the exact moment fish stocks or bird populations are restored to pre spill numbers? Research and monitoring studies can not be relied on for a firm answer. With a perpetual endowed program, restoration could phase into enhancement without having to waste effort to determine the exact point at which the transition happened.
  - 2) The existing EVOS Trustee Council could be made a permanent part of the University in order to continue monitoring the program insuring compliance with the Settlement.
  - 3) The University of Alaska Foundation is a public nonprofit corporation established in 1974 to manage and invest

donations for the benefit of the University of Alaska. With responsibility for more than 20 million dollars the foundation has an excellent record averaging about 12 percent on investments through the difficult years of the early 1990's. Setting up some new investment agency would seem a waste.

- 4) An academic chair can be endowed permanently for two million dollars providing salary and overhead for a full professor. Three million dollars would provide for well paid graduate fellowships and some operating funds for the professor. U of A has no such attractive positions now though major universities in all other coastal states do. With such positions U of A would be competitive with any university in the world for attracting top quality professorial and graduate student talent. Advantages of this sort of academic program would include: a) top quality endowed academic programs could provide the sort of good science that the Trustee Council has been funding, to determine the course of restoration and enhancement, without the present time limit, b) University programs would provide a continuing supply of Alaska trained scientists and teachers, c) University studies would produce a flow of professional and popular publications, d) top quality endowed academic talent attracts grants and contracts embellishing their programs thus in addition to the mothering of an injured resource a seed is planted with unlimited potential, e) large University programs could be expected to hire a variety of local specialists and technicians, f) permanently endowed programs contribute to local business thus economic stability, a point not overlooked by other states such as Texas which has put a huge portion of its oil wealth into university endowment.
- 5) The program would benefit from the prestige of the University in ways not possible for an independent endowed organization.

SOME POTENTIAL ENDOWED CHAIRS

#### For Damaged Resources

- 1) Ecology of the intertidal zone. This was the most devastated habitat of the oil spill and the place where affects will probably linger longest.
- 2) Ecology of the nearshore ecosystem. To include inflow of riverine nutrients, spawning, perching, nesting sites, shallow waters and bottom resources.
- 3) Ecology of the pelagic ecosystem. This would relate more to oceanography, climate and basic productivity as it affects feeding regimes of birds, mammals and fishes of the oil spill area and beyond.

- 4) Ecology of pink salmon. This is a short cycle salmon easily manipulated by man but for which a long term management strategy is still lacking.
- 5) Ecology of red salmon. A long cycle, extremely valuable salmon for which the role of management is not well developed.
- 6) Ecology of other commercial fish resources. Cod, rockfish, herring and a host of other edible fish resources need long term research to ensure their perpetuation.
- 7) Ecology of birds of the coastal ecosystem. There is world wide interest in the bird resources of the EVOS region that were heavily damaged by the oil.
- 8) Ecology of the pelagic birds of the spill area. Birds that depend on the waters of the Alaskan continental shelf distribute and are valued throughout the north and south Pacific.
- 9) Ecology of bald eagles. Our National Symbol, a species of the coastal fringe that has proven vulnerable to acts of man and can only survive if properly understood and accommodated.
- 10) Sea mammals of the nearshore. Seals, sea lions, sea otters etc. species so valuable that they have been damaged by human exploitation in the past.
- 11) Sea mammals of the pelagic ecosystem. Whales also have been badly depleted by over exploitation and are vulnerable.
  - Other opportunities?

#### For Damaged Services

- 12) Archeology of the spill area. This was a good place to live in prehistoric times and it is important to our future that we learn more about that.
- 13) Anthropology of the spill area. Portions of the ancient culture exist. It was a very successful culture. We should understand why.
- 14) Subsistence uses of the spill area past tradition, present use and future opportunity. Archeology, anthropology, sociology, psychology, biology and economics are involved. Insight and teachers are needed if ancient traditions are to be understood, perpetuated and enhanced.
- 15) Tourism opportunity, regulation, economics. The developing world culture seems to have decided what is wanted from Alaska is not resources but rather a scenic

wilderness environment that people from overcrowded lands can visit. They like to see a place as God created it unspoiled by man. How can this world wide interest be accommodated without self destruction? How can tourism grow without destroying residential values?

- 16) Recreation opportunity, regulation, economics. How can recreation resources for residents be perpetuated including wilderness visits, sport hunting and fishing, personal use gathering?
- 17) Coastal community development planning, engineering, aesthetics. How can the tremendous appeal of Alaska's tiny coastal communities be sustained with the inevitable growth?
- 18) Commercial fisheries economics, management. Man has yet to learn how to regulate his use of marine fish for sustained yield.
- 19) Aquaculture. This is a developing field that will need a lot of attention in Alaska, to make it successful without conflicting with the wealth of natural resources.
- 20) Management of Alaskan oil resources safely, effectively and economically.
  - ) Other possibilities?

#### LEGAL QUESTIONS

There are questions about whether putting money into an endowment would be in compliance with the Settlement Agreement. Some solicitors think not. But if the proposal is sound and the public is in support a way can be found:

- A) It may require that the Trustee Council somehow be permanently incorporated into the University administration to provide oversight on the EVOS program.
- B) A detailed plan will need to be prepared that addresses how the University can comply with the spirit of the Settlement. This plan may call for some sort of new University institute.
- C) A new definition of restoration and enhancement may be needed.
- D) It may require the signators return to the US District Court for a modification of the Settlement Agreement.

#### PERCEIVED CONFLICTS

Some opposition to endowments has been voiced. Some of these concerns are reviewed here.

- 1) The Settlement money is limited. There are already more proposals than could be accommodated. Some people would benefit if the money is all spent fast. An endowment would use some money to project and magnify benefits further into the future.
- 2) With endowments there might be less cash for land purchase. Some Native Corporations that need money now would like to sell land. This might be addressed by having some endowed income available for future purchases of lands that might be used for University research or teaching.
- 3) Some believe the money is best spent buying habitat now, specifically inholdings in the regions superlative National Parks, National Wildlife Refuges and National Forests. Again some endowment income might be used for this.
- 4) Some state and federal resource management agencies are suffering from declining budgets and see EVOS funded studies as a way to hold on to some of their staff or programs until other money is available. Some endowed income might be reserved for agency contracts. Ultimately these agencies might benefit most from continuing university research within their area of responsibility and from a supply of Alaska trained professionals entering the job market.
- 5) There might be less money now for contracting with private organizations and companies that are submitting restoration proposals. This is not necessarily so.
- 6) There are proposals to address some public needs at oil spill communities that might not be funded by EVOS money. Any such loss would be offset by longterm benefits.
- 7) There are proposals for research to enhance commercial fishing that may be deferred or reduced in the switch from a short term crash program to a smaller continuing program.
- 8) There is a perception by many in Alaska that our University does not use its money well. They compare University charges with charges by government agencies and for profit corporations. This is an apples and oranges comparison. In most cases the range of social benefits from money spent at a university is far wider than benefits possible from any other organization. We must consider that we have a very technical society that can not survive, as we know it, without the training and research done at universities. If Alaskans do not support an Alaskan university other universities will have to take care of the need for trained people and basic research to manage Alaskan resources.

CONCLUSION

The Exxon Valdez oil spill left an indelible mark on Alaska, its people and its resources that is as permanent in its way as the 1912 volcanic eruption at Katmai or the 1964 earthquake in Southcentral. Part of this mark could be a great benefit to the University of Alaska helping to boost it toward its natural destiny as the premier university of the Pacific Rim, at the same time fulfilling obligations under the EVOS Settlement. A great flowering emerging from the fumes of dissaster. Some people believe no other action by the Trustee Council would be more pertinent and significant than creating a permanent endowment with 108 million dollars at our University.

#### RECOMMENDATION

With these things in mind it would seem most appropriate that the Trustee Council consider University endowments along with what other proposals they may get for use of the Restoration Reserve. It is recommended therefore that the Trustee Council request formation of a University team to work with their Executive Director to design a detailed plan for an endowed University program that will take advantage of all possible opportunities while fulfilling obligations of the EVOS Settlement.

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#### Comments:

Please distribute this fax to those listed above. Thank you.

You can officially delete April 24 as a Trustee Council meeting date, because we have rescheduled for May 2, 1996 in Juneau. Further details will follow as they develop. Questions?? Call me.

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March 27, 1996

The Honorable George Miller United States House of Representatives 2205 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Miller,

Ms. Deborah Williams, Special Assistant for Alaska to the Secretary of the Interior, recently related that you wanted an update on the Trustee Council's habitat protection efforts. Please find enclosed two status reports:

- Habitat Protection Program: Large Parcels Status Report (as of March 26, 1996); and
- Habitat Protection Program: Small Parcels Status Report (as of March 26, 1996).

Substantial progress has been made over the last year to implement the Council's habitat protection program. With regard to the large parcel (greater than 1,000 acres) program, the Council has to date successfully negotiated protective purchases and agreements on eight large parcel tracts totaling 361,790 acres involving a commitment of \$161.5 million from the civil settlement trust. Additional negotiations are on-going with seven major landowners in the spill area regarding another 381,385 acres of land. Our goal is to complete these negotiations by October 1996.

With respect to the small parcel (less than 1,000 acres) program, significant progress has also been made. After evaluating nearly three hundred small parcel nominations, the Council has identified thirty-two parcels and a package of small parcel lands owned by the Kenai Native Association as having especially high restoration value. Fair market appraisals have been completed for most of these priority parcels and offers made to the landowners. As of this writing, fifteen offers have been accepted and others are anticipated in the near future.

Notwithstanding the fact that major land negotiations are complicated, difficult, and time consuming, I think you will find that the status reports for both programs reflect significant success in implementing this part of the overall restoration program.

Knowing of your long-standing interest in the Council's efforts, I have also enclosed a copy of our recently prepared independent financial audit. The Independent Auditors' Report found the federal and State of Alaska financial statements to be in sound order consistent with accepted accounting principles. The most significant issues identified by the audit concern the fees paid to the Court system to invest the settlement funds and the lack of an ability to transfer funds by wire, which reduces interest earnings.

Finally, I have also enclosed a copy of our most recent Annual Report to the public. This summary document describes the Trustee Council activities over the past year and highlights some of the restoration program's major accomplishments. In addition to the habitat protection program effort, I am pleased to report that the Council's research and monitoring program is producing some very important results and findings. In addition to the valuable habitat that will be protected by use of the settlement funds, there is a growing recognition that the Council's science program will also yield a substantial long term legacy that will markedly improve our understanding and management of the resources and services injured by the oil spill.

I hope that you find this information helpful. If you have questions or would like to discuss any aspect of the Trustee Council's restoration program, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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cc: Deborah Williams

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# Habitat Protection Program: Large Parcels Status Report

March 26, 1996

The Exxon Valdez Trustee Council funds the acquisition of land to protect the habitat of injured resources and services. The goals of habitat protection are to prevent additional injury to resources and services while recovery is taking place and to provide a long-term safety net for these resources.

In 1992, the Restoration Office evaluated 16 large parcels (over 1,000 acres) that were imminently threatened by development. In March 1993, the Restoration Office contacted 90 owners of large parcels in the spill area. Thirty-two landowners expressed interest in having their land considered and 850,000 acres of land were subsequently evaluated.

As of March 1996, the Council has committed \$161.5 million to protect 362,000 acres of land, with parcels ranging in size from 2,000 to 120,000 acres. Six large parcels have been purchased, including inholdings in Kachemak Bay State Park, land adjacent to Seal Bay/Tonki Cape on Afognak Island, commercal timber rights on land along Orca Narrows, and lands owned by the Akhiok-Kaguyak, Inc., Old Harbor Native Corporation, and Koniag, Inc. Agreement has been reached with the Kodiak Island Borough on acquisition of the 27,000-acre Shuyak Island parcel, and closing is expected in late March.

In February 1996, the Council offered the Eyak Corporation \$7 million for 11,200 acres near Cordova. The Corporation rejected the offer and subsequently began logging operations. By logging these lands, the Corporation terminated the offer.

Negotiations continue with seven landowners to protect an additional 381,000 acres of land. The landowners are Chenega Corporation, Tatitlek Corporation, Eyak Corporation, Port Graham Corporation, English Bay Corporation, Afognak Joint Venture, and Koniag, Inc. Table 1 summarizes the status of land acquisitions as of March 1996 — whether acquisitions are complete, negotiations continue, or offers have been rejected. Table 1 also indicates the acreage of each parcel and, if known, its purchase price, contributions from the joint trust fund, and contributions from other sources. So far, \$35 million from other sources have been contributed to these acquisitions and an additional \$20 million have been offered for future acquisitions.

Table 1. Status of Large Parcel Acquisitions

Parcel Description	Acreage	Purchase Price	Trust Fund	Other Sources
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Acquisitions Complete				
Imminently Threatened Parcels				
Kachemak Bay State Park Inholdings	23,800	\$22,000,000	\$7,500,000	\$14,500,000
Seal Bay / Tonki Cape	41,549	\$39,600,000	\$39,600,000	\$0
Orca Narrows (Timber Rights)	2,052	\$3,650,000	\$3,650,000	\$0
Other Large Parcels				
Akhiok - Kaguyak, Inc.	119,885	\$46,000,000	\$36,000,000	\$10,000,000
Old Harbor *	32,100	\$14,500,000	\$11,250,000	\$3,250,000
Koniag (Fee Title)	59,691	\$26,500,000	\$19,500,000	\$7,000,000
Koniag (Limited Term Easement)	56,048	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0
Shuyak Is. (expected to close 3/28/96)	<u> 26,665</u>	\$42,000,000	\$42,000,000	\$0
Subtotal:	361,790	\$196,250,000	\$161,500,000	\$34,750,000
Negotiations Continuing				
Afognak Joint Venture	48,728	≤\$70,000,000	≤\$70,000,000	\$0
Chenega	74,554	≤\$48,000,000	≤\$38,000,000	≤\$10,000,000
English Bay	49,300	, , , ,	_ + , ,	_ , . , .
Eyak - Orca Revised and Other Lands	49,800			
Koniag (Fee Title)	56,048			
Port Graham	46,170			
Tatitlek	56,785	≤\$22,000,000	≤\$12,000,000	≤\$10,000,000
Subtotal:	381,385			
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Offers Rejected	11,200	¢7 000 000	¢7 000 000	¢Λ
Eyak - Core Parcels	-	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$0
Subtotal:	11,200	<b>\$7,000,000</b>	\$7,000,000	\$0

<sup>\*</sup> As part of the protection package, the Old Harbor Native Corporation agreed to protect an additional 65,000 acres of land on Sitkalidak Island as a private wildlife refuge.

**Acquisitions Complete.** As of March 1996, the Council has committed \$161.5 million to protect 362,000 acres of land in the following areas:

Kachemak Bay. In August 1993, the state acquired surface title to 23,800 acres of private inholdings within Kachemak Bay State Park on the Kenai Peninsula. This acquisition protects a highly productive estuary, several miles of anadromous fish streams, and intertidal shoreline and upland habitat for bald eagles, marbled murrelets, river otters, and harlequin ducks. The Council contributed \$7.5 million to this purchase and \$14.5 million were contributed from other sources.

Seal Bay and Tonki Cape (Afognak Island). In November 1993, the state purchased surface title to 41,549 acres on northern Afognak Island. This mature spruce forest land is adjacent to highly productive marine waters, includes anadromous fish streams, and provides excellent habitat for bald eagles and marbled murrelet nesting. The Council authorized \$39.6 million for this purchase. In 1994, the Alaska State Legislature designated these lands as the Afognak Island State Park.

Orca Narrows Subparcel. In January 1995, the federal government purchased from the Eyak Corporation commercial timber rights on 2,052 acres of land in Orca Narrows. This parcel is near Cordova in Prince William Sound and contains anadromous fish streams, active bald eagle nests and favorable habitat for marbled murrelet nesting. The Council authorized \$3.65 million for this acquisition.

Akhiok-Kaguyak. In May 1995, the federal government purchased from Akhiok-Kaguyak, Inc., surface title to 76,646 acres of land and conservation easements on 43,239 acres. These lands are within the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. The Council contributed \$36 million toward this acquisition and the federal government contributed \$10 million from the federal restitution fund.

Old Harbor. Also in May 1995, the federal government purchased from the Old Harbor Native Corporation surface title to 29,100 acres and conservation easements on 3,000 acres. These lands are also within the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. In addition, the Old Harbor Native Corporation agreed to preserve 65,000 acres of land on nearby Sitkalidak Island as a private wildlife refuge. The Council contributed \$11.25 million toward this acquisition and the federal government contributed \$3.25 million from the federal restitution fund.

Koniag. In November 1995, the federal government purchased from Koniag, Inc., surface title to 59,691 acres of prime habitat for bear, salmon, bald eagles, and other species in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. This agreement protected an

additional 56,048 acres under a nondevelopment easement through the year 2001. The nondevelopment easement includes land along the Karluk and Sturgeon Rivers. The Council contributed \$21.5 million toward this acquisition and the federal government contributed \$7 million from the federal restitution fund.

Shuyak Island. Also in November 1995, the Council approved \$42 million to purchase from the Kodiak Island Borough surface title to 26,665 acres of prime habitat on Shuyak Island, at the northern tip of the Kodiak archipelago. The Kodiak Island Borough agreed to commit \$6 million from the land sale to expansion of Kodiak's Fishery Industrial Technology Center. The transaction is expected to be completed in early 1996.

Borough Tax Parcels. As part of the purchase agreement for lands on Shuyak Island, the Council authorized up to an additional \$1 million to purchase small parcels within the Kodiak Refuge that have been acquired by the Kodiak Island Borough as a result of the property owners' failure to pay borough taxes.

**Negotiations Continuing.** Negotiations continue on seven additional large parcels.

Chenega. In December 1994, the Council authorized up to \$38 million for an offer to purchase 74,554 acres from Chenega Corporation. An additional \$10 million would come from other sources. This offer is currently being reconfigured and a value is being determined.

Tatitlek. In December 1994, the Council authorized up to \$12 million for an offer to purchase 56,785 acres from Tatitlek Corporation. An additional \$10 million would come from other sources. Subsequently, at the request of the Tatitlek Village Council, the Trustee Council is also now negotiating to acquire timber interests from Citifor Corporation and land interests in 2,100 acres from Tatitlek Corporation at Bidarki Point and within Two Moon Bay.

Afognak Joint Venture. In December 1994, the Council authorized up to \$70 million for an offer to purchase from Afognak Joint Ventures surface title to 48,728 acres on northern Afognak Island. The property consists of four dispersed parcels, three of which are adjacent to the previously acquired Seal Bay parcel. The fourth parcel is adjacent to Shuyak Strait. A final appraisal is expected in late summer 1996.

English Bay and Port Graham. The U.S. Department of the Interior, on behalf of the Council, is holding discussions with English Bay Corporation and Port Graham Corporation about the purchase of 95,470 acres, much of which is within Kenai Fjords National Park.

Eyak - Orca Revised and Other Lands. Parcels known as Orca Narrows, East Simpson, and Rude River, together called "Orca Revised," consist of approximately 14,800 acres. Parts of these lands have been logged since 1995. Negotiations continue with Eyak Corporation on how to protect habitat in Orca Revised that has not been logged and about 35,000 acres of other corporation lands, particularly Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and Windy Bay.

Koniag. The Council is interested in acquiring fee interest in the 56,048 acres covered by the limited term nondevelopment easement acquired in November 1995, and has agreed to maintain unobligated funds totaling \$16,500,000 for this purpose. The nondevelopment easement includes land along the Karluk and Sturgeon Rivers and expires on December 2, 2001.

Offers Rejected. In February 1996, the Council authorized \$7 million for an offer to purchase from Eyak Corporation fee interest in 11,200 acres adjacent to Power Creek, Eyak River, and Eyak Lake. Acquisition of these "Core Parcels" would have protected a highly productive ecosystem east of Cordova. The Eyak Corporation rejected the offer and subsequently began logging operations. By logging these lands, the Corporation terminated the offer. In addition, negotiations to protect Orca Narrows fell through in June 1995 and logging operations have commenced there.

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# Habitat Protection Program: Small Parcels Status Report

March 26, 1996

One of the ways the Trustee Council protects habitat for resources and services injured by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill is by buying land that has habitat value. The Council has already protected habitat on 362,000 acres of land in large tracts. In recognition of the unique habitat qualities and strategic value of smaller tracts of land (less than 1,000 acres), the Council initiated the Small Parcel Program in 1994.

In response to a public solicitation, 285 small parcels have been nominated. Council staff have evaluated, scored, and ranked nearly all the parcels. The evaluation process took into account the resource value of the parcel, adverse impacts from human activity, and potential benefits to management of public lands. The nomination period is open-ended. The Restoration Office continues to receive and evaluate nominations.

The Council has expressed interest in acquiring 32 of the parcels that have been nominated, along with a package of lands owned by the Kenai Natives Association. The Council has authorized offers to purchase 25 small parcels at appraised fair market value and the contribution of \$4 million to the Kenai Natives Association Package.

Table 1 summarizes the status of each of the offers. Owners of 15 parcels have accepted the offers. Landowners are considering offers on six parcels and negotiations continue on the Kenai Natives Association Package. The owners of four parcels have rejected the offers. The Council is also considering acquisition of the seven parcels listed in Table 2. In most cases, the appraisal of the parcel has not yet been completed or approved.

The Council has not yet acted on the nine recent nominations listed in **Table 3**. Three of these parcels ranked low and the rest have not yet been evaluated.

The Conservation Fund, a private, nonprofit organization, has purchased one of the nominated parcels, an inholding at the head of Uyak Bay (KAP 130) and donated it to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for inclusion in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. The U.S. Forest Service has authorization to purchase three of the nominated parcels with federal restitution funds: PWS 05 and PWS 1028 on the Valdez Duck Flats and KEN 1029, a parcel in the Upper Kenai River watershed.

Table 1. Status of Small Parcel Acquisitions

Parcel ID	Description	Acres	Value	Status
Offers Accepted				
PWS 17	Ellamar Subdivision	22.0	\$310,000	
PWS 17A-D	Ellamar Subdivision	11.4	\$345,500	
PWS 52	Hayward Parcel (Zook)	9.5	\$150,000	
KEN 10	Kobylarz Subdivision	20.0	\$320,000	·
KEN 19	Coal Creek Moorage	53.0	\$260,000	
KEN 29	Tulin Parcel	220.0	\$1,200,000	
KEN 34	Cone Parcel	100.0	\$600,000	Subject to appraisal review
KEN 148	River Ranch	146.0	\$1,650,000	Subject to appraisal review
KEN 1006	Girves Parcel	110.0	\$1,835,000	
KEN 1014	Grouse Lake	64.0	\$211,000	
KOD 105/142	Three Saints Bay	88.0	\$168,000	_
	Subtotal:	843.9	\$7,049,500	•
Offers Under Review	ew			
KEN 54	Salamatof Parcel	1,377.0	\$2,540,000	Seller is reviewing appraisal
KEN 55	Overlook Park	97.0	\$244,000	Seller's response to appraisal is under review
KEN 1009	Cooper Parcel	30.0	\$48,000	No response has been received
KEN 1015	Lowell Point	19.4	\$531,000	Seller is reviewing appraisal
KAP 220	Mouth of Ayakulik River	56.0	\$213,000	Willing to sell as part of larger package
KAP 226	Karluk River Lagoon	21.5	\$146,000	Willing to sell as part of larger package
Kenai Natives Association Package		15,091.0	\$4,000,000	Negotiations continue
	Subtotal:	16,691.9	\$7,722,000	
Offers Rejected				
KEN 12	Baycrest	90.0	\$450,000	Counteroffer of \$720,000
KEN 1001	Deep Creek	91.0		Not ready to sell at this time
KEN 1005	Ninilchik	16.0		Counteroffer of \$60,000
KAP 22	The Triplets	60.0		Negotiations suspended
	Subtotal:	257.0	\$1,178,500	<del>.</del> -

Table 2. Parcels Under Consideration

	Parcel ID	Description	Acres	Status
-	PWS 11	Horseshoe Bay	315.0	Second appraisal rejected; third appraisal underway
	PWS 1010	Jack Bay	942.0	Second appraisal rejected; third appraisal underway
	PWS 1027	Fleming Spit	5.4	Restoration benefits under review
	KEN 149	Perl Island	156.0	New appraisal needed
	KEN 1034	Patson Parcel	76.3	Appraisal underway
	KAP 145	<b>Termination Point</b>	1,028.0	The State will appraise this parcel
	KAP 150	Karluk	5.0	Appraisal not complete
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Total: 2,527.7

Table 3. Small Parcel Nominations
July 1995 to March 1996

Parcel ID	Description	Acres	Rank	Sponsor
KEN 1030	Anchor River	127.8	Low	Not identified
KEN 1032	Matson Parcel (Ninilchik River)	7.4	Low	ADFG
KEN 1035	Mullen Parcel (Soldotna Creek, Kenai River)	8.5	Low	ADNR/ADFG
KEN 1036	Weilbacher Parcel (Kenai River)	28.7	Not yet evaluated	Not identified
KEN 1037	Coyle Parcel (Kenai City Boat Dock)	26.0	Not yet evaluated	Not identified
KEN 1038	Schilling Parcel (Kenai River)	5.9	Not yet evaluated	Not identified
KEN 1039	Oberts Parcel (Kenai River-Big Eddy)	31.7	Not yet evaluated	Not identified
<b>KEN</b> 1040	Oberts Parcel (Kenai River-Honeymoon Cove)	4.2	Not yet evaluated	Not identified
KEN 1041	Oberts Parcel (Kenai River-Peterkin Hmstd.)	30.0	_Not yet evaluated	Not identified
	<b>+</b>	070.0		

Total: 270.2

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March 27, 1996

Eric Downey, President Knik Canoers and Kayakers P.O. Box 242861 Anchorage, Alaska 99524

Dear Mr. Downey,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Trustee Council's Small Parcel Habitat Protection Program.

As you may know, nearly 300 small parcels have been nominated for consideration by the Trustee Council. As a result of an interagency review process, each parcel has been evaluated in light of its potential contribution to the recovery and restoration of resources and services injured by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill. At this point, thirty-one of the nominated parcels have been identified by the Trustee Council as having especially valuable restoration attributes. Efforts are under way to purchase and protect these parcels, including the 315-acre parcel you mentioned in your letter at Horsehoe Bay on Latouche Island (PWS 11). At this time, a fair market appraisal is in preparation.

Please know that the Trustee Council shares your interest in having the Horseshoe Bay parcel protected. For your reference, I have enclosed a copy of the Benefits Report prepared for this parcel that describes the restoration values identified for this parcel. Thank you again for providing comment on behalf of your membership. I will be sure to provide a copy of your letter to each of the Trustee Council members.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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#### State of Alaska

## Office of the Governor

TONY KNOWLES
Governor
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Juneau, Alaska 99811-0001
NEWS RELEASE



Bob King Press Secretary Claire Richardson Deputy Press Secretary 907-465-3500 FAX: 907-465-3533

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: March 15, 1996

96-060

### ALASKA SPECIALISTS AID IN WALES OIL SPILL CLEANUP

The British government has accepted Governor Tony Knowles' offer to send Alaska oil spill experts to the site of the Sea Empress spill cleanup in Wales. Department of Environmental Conservation's John Bauer, previously the state's shoreline cleanup manager for the Exxon Valdez response, and Dr. Robert Spies, chief scientist for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, have been in Wales this week observing the impacted areas and exchanging information on cleanup strategies.

Knowles wrote British authorities offering Alaska's help shortly after the massive spill occurred. "Alaskans know what those affected by the spill in Wales are going through, and we are pleased to be able to offer two of our most experienced professionals," Knowles said. "Bauer and Spies are providing technical assistance, and will bring back valuable information for 'our programs here."

Bauer served as state shoreline cleanup manager during the Exxon Valdez response from 1989-1992, supervising all phases of field cleanup operations. He established a priority ranking system for cleanup, taking into account parks, refuges, sensitive areas, subsistence uses, archeological concerns and recreation users. His office reviewed shoreline cleanup work plans and evaluated the use and applicability of new technologies, including water washing, bioremediation, and mechanical tilling.

Dr. Spies has been the chief scientist of the Oil Spill Trustee Council since 1991 and scientific advisor since the spill in 1989. He is responsible for overall scientific integrity and technical content of the damage assessment and restoration programs following the oil spill. Spies advises the natural resource trustees and executive director on status of injured natural resources, recommends priorities for research and monitor projects.

The Liberian tanker Sea Empress grounded February 15 in Mill Bay at the entrance to Milford Haven, Wales. The tanker spilled an estimated 19 million gallons of crude, nearly twice the amount spilled by the Exxon Valdez in 1989.

The British Coastguard Agency has told Alaska's DEC that they are now deciding how far to take the remaining shoreline cleanup effort in Wales. Little oil remains at sea; the balance of the impacts are to the nearby shoreline. A significant portion of the shoreline oiling was on sandy beaches. Much of the oil removal on sandy beaches has been completed, with remaining contamination on a variety of beach types.

Bauer and Spies are due back in the U.S. next week. Expenses for their trip have been paid by the British Coastguard Agency.

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For more information contact DEC's Joe Ferguson at (907) 465-5060 or L.J. Evans, with the Oil Spill Trustee Council, (907) 278-8012.

## <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

Traci

FROM:

Eric W

DATE:

3/26/96

SUBJ:

Copy of e-mail from Byron Morris re: federal building rent

I was reviewing a backlog of e-mail messages and came accross the attached message from Byron Morris regarding the federal building rent. (This message was sent 2/2/96, at the end of the week I was in Juneau.) I thought you should have a copy for your records, in case the question of the rent payment comes up in the future. As indicated, NOAA has absorbed the cost of the ED office space for the past two years.

According to Tim Essenberger GSA-Juneau federal building manager (586-7316), NOAA has been paying the lease since 5/1/95 (#AAK95145).

The leased space consists of 888 sq. ft. at a rate of  $\sim $22.00/\text{sq}$ . ft. annually (which = \$1,628/month = \$19,536/year).

#### **Eric Myers**

From:

Byron Morris

To: Subject: Date:

ERICM; ericm@evro.usa.com EVOS Trustee Council - Rent Friday, February 02, 1996 4:03PM

Mystery is solved, EVOS gets free ride from NOAA for two years. We are just a nice agency.

Forward Header

Subject: EVOS Trustee Council - Rent

Author: JDuncan (John Duncan) {John Duncan@Admin@FAK} at BANYAN Date: 2/2/96 6:13 PM

Claudia,

Per our conversation this morming please charge the 888 sq feet of the

floor of the Juneau Federal Building belonging to the EVOS Trustee Council, for FY 96, to their org & task no. - FS1300, 8L8BA67K. The approximate rate is \$22.99 per square foot. Don't use the Fish Mgmt task anymore. Thanks

Jack Duncan

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March 25, 1996

Michael Swan P.O. Box 2397 Homer, Alaska 99603

Dear Mr. Swan,

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your expression of interest and support for protection of KEN 56, a small parcel nominated between the Cottonwood and Eastland sections of Kachemak Bay State Park.

As you may know, nearly 300 small parcels have been nominated for consideration by the Trustee Council. As a result of an interagency review process, each parcel has been evaluated in light of its potential contribution to the recovery and restoration of resources and services injured by the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill. At this point, thirty-one of the nominated parcels have been identified by the Trustee Council as having especially valuable restoration attributes. Efforts are under way to purchase and protect these parcels. Several of these parcels include lands around the Homer area, a number along the Kenai River, and still others throughout the spill area.

While the Trustee Council has not identified the KEN 56 parcel as a priority for purchase through the Small Parcel Program, it is my understanding that the State Division of Parks and Recreation is currently examining the parcel. A recent conversation with State Parks staff indicated that they have recently contacted the landowner and the Division is undertaking an effort to assess the parcel value. At this point, no commitments of any kind have been made by either the State Division of Parks and Recreation or the land owner to negotiate a sale or other form protective easement.

I hope that this information is helpful. If you have further questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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## **Restoration Office Tentative Meeting Schedule**

#### March 1996

- 12 RWF @ 9:30 a.m.
- 13 PAG meeting
- 27 RWF @ 9:00 a.m.
- 27-29\* Community meetings in Kodiak Island villages

#### **April 1996**

9-10\* Traditional Ecological Knowledge Protocols Work session 17 RWF @ 9:00 a.m.

### May 1996

- 2\* TRUSTEE COUNCIL meeting--Juneau
- 16-18 Core Reviewers: FY97 Draft Work Plan
- 23 RWF, Chief Scientist, and PAG representatives: FY97 Draft Work Plan

#### June 1996

5\* PAG meeting

#### August 1996

- 7 PAG meeting
- 15 RWF, Chief Scientist: FY97 Final Work Plan
- 30\* TRUSTEE COUNCIL meeting: FY97 Final Work Plan

For more information on any of the above meetings, please contact the Anchorage Restoration Office.

\* Tentative Dates

Update: 3/26/96 rwf



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March 25, 1996

Nina Faust Edgar Bailey P.O. Box 2994 Homer, Alaska 99603

Dear Ms. Faust and Mr. Bailey,

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March 25, 1996

Nancy Lord P.O. Box 558 Homer, Alaska 99603

Dear Nancy,

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March 25, 1996

Luella R. Smith 335 Bayview E. Homer, Alaska 99603

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March 25, 1996

Gail Parsons P.O. Box 2397 Homer, Alaska 99603

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March 22, 1996

Bruce Jamieson, President Government Computer Sales, Inc. 794 University Avenue Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

Dear Mr. Jamieson:

This letter is to acknowledge your request to be included as a bidder for purchases of microcomputer hardware and software.

Your interest in our business is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Eric F. Myers

**Director of Operations** 

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Kathy Kuletz/USF&WS, DOI

FROM:

Molly McCammon

Executive Director

RE:

Final Report for Project 95031/Marbled Murrelet Productivity

DATE:

March 22, 1996

The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm an extended due date of May 31, 1996 for your final report on Project 95031/Marbled Murrelet Productivity. I understand that this extension is necessary due to unexpected family and colleague health problems as well as the federal government shutdowns.

cc: Bob Spies, Chief Scientist

Catherine Berg, DOI Liaison

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March 22, 1996

Diane Carney
Benthic Lab/Moss Landing Marine Labs
7711 Sandholt Road
Moss Landing, CA 95039

Dear Ms. Carney:

Enclosed are those project reports which Bob Spies, after his phone conversation with you yesterday, thought would be most useful in addressing your areas of interest.

Comprehensive Assessment of Coastal Habitat (Project CH1A)
Herring Bay Experimental and Monitoring Studies (Project R102)
Stream Habitat Assessment: Prince William Sound and Lower Kenai (Project 93051)
Landowner Assistance (Project 95058)

I have not included the appendices for the CH1A report because of their volume -- they fill an entire file drawer. However, Bob Spies has a copy of the appendices in his Livermore office, and I would encourage you to contact him there if you wish to take a look at them. I would also encourage you to contact Bob if you wish to discuss the contents of any of the reports.

Robert B. Spies Applied Marine Sciences 2155 Las Positas Court, Suite S Livermore, CA 94550 Phone (510) 373-7142 FAX (510) 373-7834

It might also be worthwhile to speak directly with Ray Highsmith, who has been the lead Principal Investigator on much of the intertidal work funded by the Trustee Council.

Ray Highsmith Institute of Marine Science University of Alaska Fairbanks Room 217 O'Neil Building Fairbanks, AK 99775 Phone (907) 474-7836 FAX (907) 474-5804 Also enclosed are the proposed updates to the Trustee Council's list of injured resources, the summaries of injury and recovery, and the recovery objectives, which I understand you also requested.

Just a reminder that the deadline for submitting proposals is April 15, 1996. Because you represent a private organization, as opposed to a Trustee agency, your proposal should be submitted both to the Restoration Office (at the address above) and to NOAA under their Broad Agency Announcement. Please refer to page 10 of the invitation for more details.

I hope you find this information useful. Give me a call if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Sandra Schubert

**Project Coordinator** 

Sandra Schubert

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Restoration Work Force

FROM:

Traci Cramer

Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 22, 1996

RE:

FY 97 Project Management Budget

As discussed at the recent Restoration Work Force meeting, each agency will prepare and submit a budget to include the estimated cost of Project Management for FY 1997. The following are the **DRAFT** instructions and attached is a **DRAFT** Detailed Project Description. Please review the instructions and the **DPD** and return any comments to me by close of business Wednesday, March 27. This will allow me to finalize the instructions and DPD by Friday, March 29.

For planning purposes, a DRAFT budget is due to the Restoration Office by April 30.

Project Management represents those costs required to ensure that individual projects are managed consistent with the restoration program, the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree, the Restoration Plan, and Trustee Council authorization.

The Project Management Budgets shall be based on the following assumptions.

- Each agency will continue to receive funding thorough the Administration, Scientific Management and Public Information budget for an agency Liaison. This may or may not be a full-time position, depending on the agency's needs. The Liaison is expected to do some (and in some cases, all) of the project management tasks.
- 2. Each agency will continue to receive funding through the general administration formula to pay indirect costs.
- The Project Management Budget will consist of personnel and the appropriate general administration funds. All other associated costs such as travel and supplies shall be covered within the Restoration Work Force budget or by funds

derived from the general administration formula.

4. Funding to support Principal Investigators and other personnel who are implementing a project will continue to be budgeted in the individual project budgets, along with associated direct costs and the appropriate general administration funds.

#### **Detailed Project Description**

Agencies should not submit a Detailed Project Description. A single Detailed Project Description will be prepared by the Restoration Office. Agencies are required submit a memorandum explaining how their Project Management Budgets were developed. At a minimum, the memorandum would include the following:

- A summary of the FY 1996 Project Management authorizations contained in the various work plan projects approved in FY 1996. The summary should include the project number, project title, amount of Project Management authorized in the budgets, the amount of general administration related to Project Management, and the total project authorization.
- 2. A listing of the major duties and responsibilities to be performed by the Project Managers in FY 1997. Include an explanation as to why the duties and responsibilities cannot be performed by the Liaison.
- 3. A description of the duties and responsibilities of the Liaison and the Project Managers and how they are different.
- 4. The rationale used to develop the budget and an explanation of how you determined what was needed for FY 1997. Factors to consider include the level of effort required for new projects, continuing projects, close-out projects, projects which involve multiple agencies, projects which involve contractors, projects with substantial community effort, and historical levels of support.

#### **Detailed Budget**

Attached is the Form 3A which has been modified for the Project Management Budgets. Agencies wishing to obtain an electronic copy should contact me at (907) 586-7238. Each agency is required to submit the modified Form 3A. The Restoration Office will link the forms together and create a single 2A form.

#### **HOW TO COMPLETE THE FORM**

1. Authorized FFY 1996 - No input is required.

- 2. Proposed FFY 1997 No input is required.
- 3. Long Range Funding Requirements Enter the estimated future years' costs through FFY 2002.
- Name Enter the first initial and last name of the Project Manager(s).
- 5. *Position Title -* Provide the position title.
- 6. GS/Range/Step Enter the appropriate general schedule (GS) and step, or range and step.
- 7. Months Budgeted Enter the number of months for each position.
- 8. Monthly Costs Enter the total cost of salaries and benefits for each position.
- 9. Overtime Enter the overtime costs estimated for each position.
- Proposed FFY 1997 Personnel Costs The form is set up to calculate based on the following formula. No input is necessary.
   (months budgeted x monthly costs) + overtime
- 11. Agency Enter the name of the agency
- 12. Prepared Enter the date this budget was prepared.

#### **RULES FOR NUMBERS**

All costs should be stated in thousands of dollars, with one digit to the right of the decimal point. Therefore, \$1,869,489 should be \$1,869.5.

When the number "5" is the digit to be rounded, the number should be rounded to the higher rather than the lower amount.

Months budgeted should be stated in whole numbers, with partial months reflected with one digit to the right of the decimal point. For example, one-and-a-half months would be 1.5.

If you have any questions or need further assistance give me a call at (907) 586-7238.

#### DRAFT DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

## **Project Management**

Project Number:

97250

Restoration Category:

Research, Monitoring, and General Restoration

Proposer:

Various Agencies

Cost FY 97:

To be determined

Cost FY 98:

To be determined

Cost FY 99:

To be determined

Cost FY 00:

To be determined

Cost FY 01:

To be determined

Cost FY 02:

To be determined

#### **ABSTRACT**

Project management is an important element of the Council's restoration activities. Project Managers perform tasks which include coordinating the activities between the principal investigators and the Restoration Office, reviewing project expenditure activity, assisting in the development of project budgets, and ensuring that each agency complies with the Council's Financial Operating Procedures and the legal and regulatory requirements governing each of the projects.

#### INTRODUCTION

FY 1997 is the first year that Project Management is being reflected in a single budget. In prior years, the funding was contained in the individual projects approved by the Trustee Council. The recently completed external audit recommended that the Council define the Project Management function, and develop a budget to be approved separately from the restoration projects.

#### NEED FOR THE PROJECT

The Project Manager provides an essential link between the Restoration Office and the Principal Investigators. Under supervision of the Agency Liaison: the Project Manager (1) is responsible for coordinating and tracking the progress of assigned restoration projects; (2) is responsible for ensuring that studies funded meet their stated goals, objectives, and schedules; (3) is responsible for monitoring project expenditures to ensure that funds are expended in a manner that is consistent with project authorization; (4) is responsible for obtaining information from or facilitating the exchange of information between the Restoration Office, the public, cooperating agencies, and Principal Investigators; (5) attends meetings relating to planning and progress reviews; (6) ensures that all reports, documents, and contract deliverables are acceptable; (7) facilitates the printing of required reports and distribution of the reports to OSPIC; (8) maintains inventory of equipment purchased with EVOS funds; (9) assists in the preparation and review of project proposals and detailed budgets; (10) facilitates NEPA compliance.

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

The Project Manager is available to the public to answer questions or to communicate questions to appropriate individuals and perform proper follow-up.

#### PROJECT DESIGN

- A. Objectives Ensure that studies funded by the Trustee Council are accomplished on time and consistent with the requirement of the Trustee Council and the legal and regulatory requirements governing each of the projects.
- B. Methods Track project expenditure and project status information and attend progress reviews. If necessary, identify needs or problems and develop solutions.
- C. Cooperating Agencies, Contracts, and Other Agency Assistance As explained in the attached memoranda, the organizational structures and the administrative structures vary by agency.

#### **SCHEDULE**

A. Measurable Project Tasks for FY 97 (October 1, 1996 - September 30, 1997)

October 31:

Submit prior year fourth quarter expenditure and project status reports to

the Restoration Office

December 31:

Submit inventory of equipment purchased with EVOS funds to the

Restoration Office

January 22 - 25:

Attend Annual Restoration Workshop

January 31:

Submit first quarter expenditure and project status reports to the

Restoration Office, submit the final expenditure report for the prior year

to the Restoration Office

April 15:

Submit Detailed Project Descriptions and Detailed Budgets for FY 1998

to the Restoration Office, submit annual and final reports consistent with

the report writing procedures

April 30:

Submit second quarter expenditure and project status reports to the

Restoration Office

July 31:

Submit third quarter expenditure and project status reports to the

Restoration Office

#### B. Project Milestones and Endpoints

Not appropriate for this project.

#### C. Completion Date

Varies by agency and is dependent upon the annual work plans

#### **PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS**

The Project Managers ensure timely completion of reports and do not prepare reports themselves.

#### PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

Annual Restoration Workshop.

#### NORMAL AGENCY MANAGEMENT

Refer to the attached memoranda.

#### COORDINATION AND INTEGRATION OF RESTORATION EFFORT

The restoration program embodies a long-term ecosystem approach that requires continual updating as new information is acquired. The information provided by the Project Managers contributes to understanding restoration needs.

#### **EXPLANATION OF CHANGES IN CONTINUING PROJECTS**

FY 1997 is the first year that Project Management is being reflected in a single budget. In prior years, the funding was contained in the various work plan budgets approved by the Trustee Council.

#### PROPOSED PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR, IF KNOWN

Not appropriate for this project.

# Calendar

#### March 27-30

Community meetings in Kodiak Island villages. Contact Martha Vlasoff at 907/278-8012 for more information.

#### April 9-10

Traditional Ecological Knowledge protocols workshop. Contact Martha Vlasoff at 907/278-8012 for more information.

#### **April 15**

Project deadline for FY97. Contact Sandra Schubert at 907/278-8012 for more information.

#### June 5

Public Advisory Group meeting. Contact Doug Mutter at 907/271-5011 for more information.

#### August 7

Public Advisory Group meeting. Contact Doug Mutter at 907/271-5011 for more information.

#### August 30\*

Trustee Council meeting on FY97 Final Work Plan. Contact Rebecca Williams for more information at 907/ 278-8012.

#### \*Tentative date.

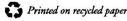
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# SEA takes new approaches to pink salmon & herring



During an intense series of 24hour surveys, SEA researchers sought to corroborate hydroacoustic data with the contents of fishing nets in specific areas of Prince William Sound. Margaret Powell writes down data as Shawna Karpovich weighs a fish and Jennifer Boldt prepares to take tissue samples. Photo by L.J. Evans. The Trustee Council funded the Sound Ecosystem Assessment, or SEA, project to sort out the relationships among recent large declines in pink salmon and Pacific herring, the 1989 oil spill, and natural forces of climate and food availability. After two years of field work and data analysis, researchers are coming up with some of the answers.

In the years after the 1989 oil spill, pink salmon fluctuated dramatically, and in 1993, the Pacific herring population crashed in Prince William Sound.

Although considerable variability in the returns of both species is considered normal, these drastic declines were unexpected. Many people wondered if the oil spill was having a lasting negative effect on these valuable commercial resources. It was hard to tell if contamination from the spill had anything to do with the poor fishing, if the low returns were a result of natural

forces in the ecosystem, or if a combination of these factors was the cause. Fishermen and resource managers wanted to know if anything could be done to prevent further declines or to accelerate recovery.

To help find the answers, the Trustee Council turned to the most knowledgeable experts: biologists, local fishermen, and fishery managers. Many of these experts felt strongly that while the oil spill may have contributed to the problems, the actual causes of the declines were much more complicated. Ocean conditions, availability of food, predation by other marine animals, and disease all were important factors controlling the production and recovery of pink salmon and herring. In addition, the experts felt the best aid to restoration was to develop an understanding of these controlling factors in order to improve management of the fisheries. The SEA project was developed in 1994 to answer these questions.

"The SEA project represents cuttingedge science," says Project Leader Dr. Ted Cooney of the University of Alaska

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A fine-mesh net is used to collect the small plants and animals that make up the bottom of the marine food chain. SEA researchers can examine the contents of the jar at the bottom of the net to determine what juvenile herring and pink salmon have available to eat Photo by Bob Spies.

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Fairbanks Instititute of Marine Sciences. "We are developing a much better understanding of the large, underlying forces that drive the whole marine ecosystem in Prince William Sound. This information is going to prove invaluable, not only to restoration and improved management of pink salmon and herring, but to restoration of other injured resources as well."

SEA is a sophisticated, multicomponent, interdisciplinary research program, involving specialists from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Prince William Sound Science Center, Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation, the Copper River Delta Institute, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. These scientists are collecting data necessary for an ecosystem-level understanding of the two main processes which may control the variability of pink salmon and herring populations: the availability of food for juveniles resulting from physical factors such as tidal currents, salinity and water temperature; and predation on juveniles by other species.

#### **Program progress**

Researchers working on the SEA project include physical and biological oceanographers, fishery scientists and experts in computer modeling. A significant amount of field work has taken place in the first two years to develop a clearer picture of the mechanisms and interactions which establish levels of juvenile pink salmon and herring survival each year. This information is being used to develop mathematical models of the ecosystem that will provide improved predictions of the returns of adult fish, and answer questons about the outcomes of proposed restoration or management activities.

Some of the discoveries made by researchers in the SEA project are already generating information useful to the

management of resources in the spill region. For example:

- Salmon fry that grew larger and were released from hatcheries later than normal survived much better than fry released at the usual size and time.
   Further work will help to determine if it is the size of the fry or the time they are released that is more important to survival.
- It is clear that walleye pollock are an important part of the Prince William Sound ecosystem, both as predators on juvenile salmon and as food for seabirds. The discovery of large schools of spawning pollock in the Port Bainbridge area may lead to development of a new commercial pollock fishery in the region.
- The SEA program has successfully developed and tested a computer model of ocean circulation in the Sound.

  Understanding ocean currents, especially the degree to which water from the Gulf of Alaska flows into and out of the Sound, likely to be critical in predicting the amount of plankton available as food for pink salmon and herring fry and juveniles. Even in its early stages, this work has

Dr. Ted Cooney saves the plankton collected in the net pictured to the left for later examination in the laboratory.

Photo by Bob Spies.



he British government recently accepted Governor Tony Knowles' offer to send Alaska oil spill experts to the site of the Sea Empress spill in Wales. Dr. Robert Spies, Chief Scientist for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council. and John Bauer of the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, the state's shoreline cleanup manager during the Exxon Valdez response, spent four days in Wales in mid-March observing the areas affected by the Sea Empress oil spill and exchanging information on cleanup and restoration strategies with British environmental officials.

Spies reported that about 108 miles of shoreline had been oiled so far, compared to more than 1,500 miles oiled in Alaska following the *Exxon Valdez* spill.

"Oil did get inside the Milford Haven estuary, an area especially rich in wildlife," bpies said. "Other than that, I didn't see anything that compares with the kind of immediate, major impact on wildlife we saw after the Exxon Valdez."

The number of dead birds recovered are on the order of 3,000 so far, Spies said, with scoters, cormorants and murres

among the dead. More than 30,000 oiled bird carcasses were recovered after the Alaska spill.

Bauer noted that there were several key differences between the spills. The *Sea Empress* spill was a different, lighter crude oil, and some of the spill was composed of a partially refined fuel oil. Also, British officials used chemical dispersants on any oil slicks that were at least one mile offshore, which helped to break up the slick before it got onshore.

"That's their strategy," Bauer said. "If the conditions are right, use lots of dispersants right away. They had aircraft with dispersants ready to fly at first light the morning after the wreck." Spies also noted that the weather has at times been extremely rough, helping to further break up and disperse the oil.

The Liberian tanker Sea Empress grounded February 15 at the entrance to Milford Haven, Wales. The tanker spilled an estimated 19 million gallons of crude, almost twice the amount spilled by the *Exxon Valdez* in 1989. Travel expenses for Bauer and Spies were paid for by the British Coastguard Agency. Contact: Stan Senner at 907/278-8012.

Alaska Specialists Observe Wales Spill Cleanup

The trust funds overseen by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council were given a clean bill of health in an independent audit released by the Trustee Council in Anchorage March 20.

The Juneau firm of Elgee, Rehfield and Funk conducted the audit as the result of a competitive solicitation authorized by the Trustee Council.

"We're pleased that the audit's indings affirm that our financial statements and accounting system are in good shape," the Council's Executive

Director Molly McCammon said. "As part of its trust responsibilities, the Council wanted to assure the public that the trust funds are being well managed, and that's why having an audit done was a high priority."

The audit of the Trustee Council funds cost \$48,710. A summary of the audit is contained in the 1996 Annual Status Report. Copies of the audit and Status Report are available by calling the Oil Spill Public Information Center at 907/278-8008, toll-free within Alaska at 1-800-478-7745.

Audit of Trust Funds Complete

# Community

Nine Community Involvement Local Facilitators have been hired in the Notes spill region to aid information exchange with the Trustee Council. The facilitators are listed below.

> Community Coordinator Martha Vlasoff is working with ADF&G Subsistence Division staff and Henry Huntington of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference to plan a Traditional Ecological Knowledge Protocol work session April 9 - 10, 1996 in Anchorage. All nine community facilitators will meet at the Restoration Office to discuss guidelines for collection of traditional knowledge and local hire through research projects. A draft protocol document will be produced at the work sessions for the community facilitators to take back to their villages for review.

On the second day of the work session there will be an opportunity for restoration project Principal Investigators to meet Local Facilitators and to

work on creating opportunities for information exchange as part of 1996 field work. During the second day the Facilitators will also receive technical assistance on finalizing FY97 project proposals.

"We are hoping this exchange will provide a better understanding of the ecosystem from both points of view and greater respect for each one's contribution to the process," Vlasoff said.

Vlasoff said that a number of Principal Investigators have already expressed interest in working with communities to coordinate projects with local residents this field season.

Martha Vlasoff, Molly McCammon and Dan Moore from ADF&G will be traveling to the Kodiak Island villages March 27-30, 1996. This will be an opportunity for the villagers to voice their concerns on injured resources and discuss projects, as well as a chance for staff to brief village residents on the progress of the restoration program.

Local Community F	acilitators	36 3
Gary Kompkoff	Tatitlek	325-2311
Don Kompkoff	Chenega Bay	573-5132
	Port Graham	
Helmer Olsen	Valdez Native Tribe	835-5589
Charles Moonin	Nanwalek	281-2225
Kenny Blatchford	Qutekcak (Seward)	224-3118
Bob Henrichs	Eyak Tribal Council (Cordova)	424-7739
Hank Eaton	Kodiak Tribal Council	486-4449
Virginia Aleck	Chignik Lake	845-2212

# On The Air



Coastal A new radio program about the Trustee Council's research and **Currents** restoration program will be heard in the spill region beginning the week of March 18. Each two-minute broadcast can be heard at varying times over public radio stations in Chenega Bay, Cordova, Dillingham, Glenallen, Homer, Kodiak, Tatitlek, Valdez and Whittier, as well as in Anchorage and Juneau.

> The series of radio programs, called Alaska Coastal Currents, were developed by Jody Seitz of Cordova, working with

Steve Heimel of the Alaska Public Radio Network.

The pilot series of 13 programs cover a variety of subjects such as new methods of studying harbor seals, research showing major shifts in abundance of forage fish species, and information about the status killer whales in Prince William Sound. T Trustee Council funded this pilot series of programs as part of its overall public information effort.

For more information, call Jody Seitz at 907/424-3719 or L.J. Evans at 907/278-8012.

changed scientists' understanding of ocean current patterns in Prince William Sound. For example, it appears that sometimes the Sound behaves more like a river, with sea water flowing through and returning to the Gulf, and sometimes more like a lake,

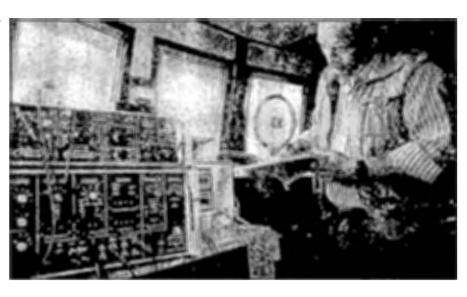
resulting in less water exchange.

 SEA scientists have determined for the first time the locations where juvenile herring overwinter. Herring biologists think that juvenile survival over the winter is a key factor in determining the number of fish available for commercial harvest at age three or four. It will now be possible to study the survival of juvenile fish, and use this information to improve our predictions of the number of herring available for commercial fishing, subsistence use, and as food for other spillinjured species such as harbor seals and seabirds.

#### Scientific review and integration

All projects sponsored by the Trustee Council are regularly reviewed in detail by the Chief Scientist and other independent scientists from around North America. At the Restoration Workshop in January 1996, the scientific reviewers commented that the information being collected by SEA researchers will be of immense value for restoration and for the future management of natural resources in the oil spill region.

SEA project researchers are working on increased integration and collaboration, both within the elements of the SEA project and with the other two Trustee Council ecosystem projects, the Nearshore Vertebrate Predator



One of the major efforts of the SEA project has been collecting hydroacoustic data in Prince William Sound, Tom McClain on the Alaska Beauty records information from the hydroacoustic equipment as the vessel travels down a transect near Knight Island. Photo by L.J. Evans.

project, or NVP, and the Apex Predator Experiment project, or APEX. Each of these restoration projects is examining different aspects of the marine ecosystem and species injured by the oil spill. More management decisions in the future will be based on known facts about populations of fish, seabirds and marine mammals as a result of these Trustee Council restoration projects. This is likely to result in accelerated recovery of the ecosystem as a whole, as well as recovery of important commercial and subsistence resources.

For more information about the SEA project, contact Joe Sullivan, Alaska Department of Fish and Game at 907/ 267-2213.

Mark Willette sorts the contents of a net sample into different species for counting. Analyzing data about the species and numbers of juvenile and adult fish is giving SEA researchers more information about who is eating whom. Photo by



# Civil settlement, criminal funds, Alyeska settlement: What's the difference, anyway?

Reeping track of restoration funds can sometimes be confusing. News stories at the time of the October 1991 civil agreement between Exxon and the state and federal governments touted an "unprecedented \$1 billion settlement." In addition, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. agreed to pay \$32 million in November 1992 to settle claims by the governments. Allocation of each of these "pots" of money—the Exxon civil and criminal funds, and the Alyeska funds—are guided by different sets of rules.

#### **Government claims**

On October 8, 1991 an agreement was approved by the United States District Court in Anchorage that settled the *civil* claims of the United States and the State of Alaska in exchange for the payment of civil damages. On that date, Exxon Corporation and Exxon Shipping Company also pled guilty to various *criminal* violations and agreed to pay restitution for injuries resulting from the oil spill. These are generally called the *civil* funds and the *criminal restitution* funds.

#### **Civil Settlement**

As part of the civil settlement, Exxon agreed

to pay the United States and the State of Alaska up to \$900 million over a period of 10 years. The guidelines for how the civil funds can be used are in a document called the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree. The United States and the State of Alaska agreed to act as co-trustees, and the six-member Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council was formed to manage the restoration process. The settlement with Exxon also has a reopener clause that allows the governments to claim up to an additional \$100 million for restoration of populations, habitats or species that could not have been known or anticipated from information available at the time of settlement.

#### **Criminal Judgment**

Exxon pled guilty to criminal charges for violating provisions of three Federal laws: the Clean Water Act, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and the Refuse Act. The sentences imposed by the court included a *fine* of \$150

#### **Civil Settlement Funds**

The settlement agreement specified that certain reimbursements to the governments and to Exxon, which totaled \$213.6 million, came out of the funds at the outset. Since the Trustee Council was formed, additional funds have been allocated as follows:

- Annual work plans dealing with research, monitoring and general restoration for 1992 through 1996 have totaled \$71.7 million. The Trustee Council also contributed \$25.0 million toward construction of the Alaska SeaLife Center in Seward, a marine research facility which is expected to open in 1998 and will provide resources for conducting restoration research on marine mammals, seabirds and fish genetics.
- The Trustee Council has committed \$161.5 million thus far to protect 361,000 acres of habitat important to
  recovery of resources injured by the spill. Negotiations are underway for a number of other large and small
  parcels throughout the spill region.
- Recognizing the likelihood that restoration needs will extend beyond the 2001 date when Exxon will end its
  payments, the Trustee Council in 1994 began depositing \$12 million annually in a Restoration Reserve. This fund
  currently totals \$36.0 million.
- Providing public information, science management, and administrative support to the restoration process has totaled \$14.3 million through 1996.

million. The court forgave \$125 million of he fine because of Exxon's cooperation with the governments during the cleanup, the corporation's timely payment of many private claims, and environmental precautions taken since the spill. Of the remaining \$25 million fine, \$12 million was paid into the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund, and \$13 million into the Victims of Crime Act Account.

Exxon also agreed to pay \$100 million as *criminal restitution*, divided evenly between the Federal Government and the State of Alaska. The District Court ordered that these restitution funds must be used "exclusively for restoration projects, within the State of Alaska, relating to the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill."

#### What's the difference?

The civil funds can be used only for restoration of injures resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil spill. The criminal funds can be used for these purposes as well as for preparation for future spills. For example, criminal funds have been used to fund various spill technology grants, which would not be a permissable use of the civil funds. Both the state and federal government coordinate use of the criminal funds with actions taken by the Trustee Council as they are allocating the civil funds.

See the shaded boxes on these pages for summaries of how these funds have been allocated. Note that the dollar amounts do not include interest earnings. The 1996 Annual Status Report includes information on the past and estimated future uses of the civil settlement funds. A brief summary of how the criminal, civil and Alyeska funds are being used is included here.

For more information contact the Oil Spill Public Information Center at 907/278-8008, toll free at 1-800-478-7745 within Alaska, and 1-800-278-7745 from outside Alaska. The Internet address is ospic@muskox.alaska.edu, or you can reach the OSPIC world wide web page at:

http://www.alaska.net/~ospic

#### **Federal Criminal Restitution Funds**

The federal criminal restitution funds have been allocated so far as follows:

- \$21 million to protect habitat within the Chugach National Forest in Prince William Sound.
- \$20.5 million to protect habitat in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge.
- \$7.5 million to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric
   Administration for shoreline monitoring, establishing an Estuarine
   Research Reserve in the spill area, and research leading to
   enhancements in navigational safety in Prince William Sound and
   Cook Inlet.

#### **State Criminal Restitution Funds**

The Alaska Legislature appropriated the state criminal funds as follows:

- \$12.5 million to the City of Seward for the Alaska SeaLife Center.
- \$7 million contribution to the purchase price for inholdings in Kachemak Bay State Park.
- \$.5 million for construction of a Kachemak Bay State Park visitors center.
- \$3.25 million for a shellfish hatchery and technical center.
- \$4 million for a water delivery system to the Fort Richardson hatchery for sport fish production.
- \$4.75 million for construction of recreational facilities within Prince William Sound, the Kenai Peninsula and the Kodiak Archipelago.
- \$3 million to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game for habitat enhancement and restoration within the Kenai River watershed.
- \$2 million for a grant to the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation for upgrade of the Main Bay Hatchery.
- \$3 million for additions to the University of Alaska Fairbanks
  Fishery Industrial Technology Center.
- \$5 million to the Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs for grants to restore subsistence resources in small communities in the spill region.
- \$5 million to the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for research on prevention and cleanup of future oil spills.

### **Alyeska Settlement**

The Alyeska settlement was approved by both state and federal courts and resolved all spill-related legal claims by the governments against the company. The agreement is separate from private claims against Exxon. As part of the agreement the funds went to specific purposes. These included:

- \$14.5 million to build oil spill response storage facilities and docks at Tatitlek and Chenega.
- \$6 million for work in Cordova to build a road to a proposed oil spill response dock location and construct a response storage facility.
- \$7.5 million towards purchase of inholdings in Kachemak Bay State Park.
- \$200,000 for communications equipment at the Valdez Emergency Operations Center.
- \$1.5 million to various communities through the State of Alaska for lost Fisheries Business Taxes.
- \$2 million for reimbursements to the federal government.

#### **Restoration Office**

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Byron Morris/NOAA

FROM:

Molly McCamman

Executive Director

RE:

Authorization -- Project 95121/Proximate Composition and Energetic Content of

Selected Forage Fish Species in PWS

DATE:

March 21, 1996

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Bob Spies
Traci Cramer

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From:

Rebecca Williams

Exxon Valdez Restoration Office

Date:

March 21, 1996

Subj:

April/May Trustee Council Meeting

Please do not erase April 24 as a Trustee Council meeting date, however, Molly has asked me to look at the week of April 29, for a possible meeting. It seems the back-up material needed to discuss Tatitlek and Chenega may not be ready by April 24. Could you please indicate your TC member's availability on the following calendar then fax it back to me? Thank you!

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March 20, 1996

Fred W. Allendorf Division of Biological Sciences University of Montana Missoula, Montana 59812-1002

Re: EVOS Restoration Project No. 96190

Dear Dr. Allendorf:

Thank you for your letter dated March 18 in regard to the purchase of equipment and the hiring of personnel for your project. You have requested a letter explaining the status of funding beyond FY 1996, and you seek assurances of a second year of support.

The Trustee Council typically approves projects with the expectation that the projects will be funded to completion. In approving the funds for Project 96190, the Council adopted the following recommendation (see attached) from the Executive Director:

It is a long-term project with national importance. Recommendation is to provide two years of funding at the requested level, but proposers should seek additional funding sources in future years.

Thus, the Trustee Council approved FY 1996 (Year 1) funding with the expectation that additional funds would be provided in FY 1997. Continued funding, however, is contingent on satisfactory progress toward project objectives and other factors addressed through review of the annual work plan.

You mention in your letter that there are not sufficient funds in Year 1 to purchase an automated fluorescent imaging scanner as described in the budget for Project 96190. If you are having to deviate significantly from the budget as approved by the Trustee Council, please send a brief letter to Dr. Joe Sullivan at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, the lead agency for this project, describing how the budget is changing in FY 1996. Finally, just as a reminder, you should be aware that any equipment purchased with Trustee Council funds belongs to the Trustee agencies and is available for reallocation following the life of the project. Please work with Dr. Sullivan to ensure that ADFG has proper documentation of this equipment when it is purchased.

I hope that the above is sufficient to address the funding concerns raised by the University of Montana. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

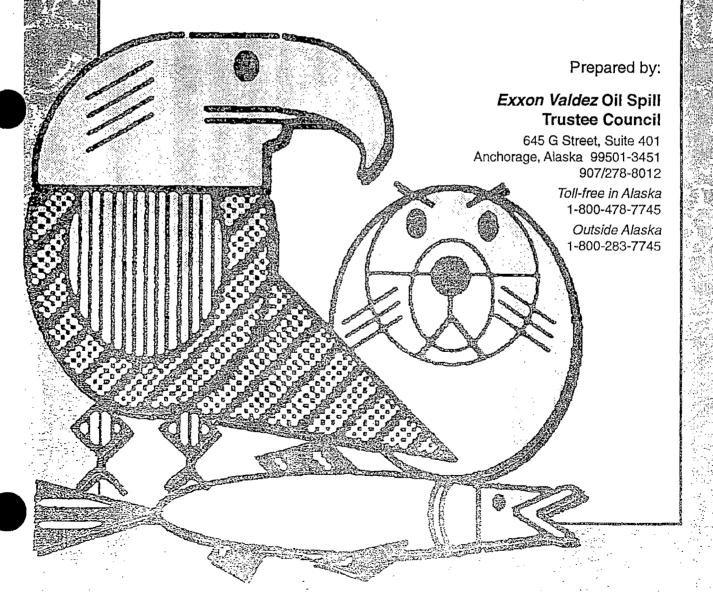
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cc: Joe Sullivan, ADFG

Jim Seeb, ADFG





#### APPENDIX A: DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS AND TRUSTEE COUNCIL ACTION

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Proj. No.	Title	Lead Agency	Proposer	Project Duration	FY 96 Request	FY 96 Approved	FY97 Estimate	FY 98 Estimate	FY 99 to end Estimate	Total FY '96 to end Estimate
96190	Construction of a Linkage Map for the Pink Salmon Genome	ADFG	Allendorf/UM	1st yr.	\$240.0	\$167.7	<b>\$250</b> .0			\$417.7
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96191A	Oil-Related Embryo Mortalities in PWS Pink Salmon Populations	ADFG	ADFG	5th yr. 7 yr. project	\$474.6	\$474.6	\$407.0	\$246.0	<b>\$0</b> .0	\$1,127.6
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Elevated embryo motalities were detected in populations of pink salmon inhabiting oiled streams following the oil spill. The purpose of this project is to continue to monitor the recovery of pink salmon embryos in the field, provide laboratory verification of the field results, and verify and identify the occurrence of genetic damages. Results of these studies may provide the first evidence of heritable injury in fish exposed to chronic or acute sources of oil pollution.

To evaluate the recovery of wild stocks of pink salmon in Prince William Sound, it is necessary to monitor embryo mortality in the field. This past season (1995) was the second year in which no statistically significant differences were found in embryo mortality between oiled and unoiled streams. However, two more years of study are required to confirm recovery in odd- and even-year stocks. The investigators have done excellent work to date. I recommend funding the field components of this project. In addition, the search for genetic evidence of heritable injury should continue on a limited basis, mainly through the andogenesis experiments. Current efforts to locate altered DNA sequences should be closed out in FY96, as they appear to have a low prospect of success.

Fund field monitoring and androgenesis experiments. Close out molecular genetics. Field monitoring should receive funding until there are no statistically significant differences between oiled and unoiled streams for two years for each of the odd- and even-year runs (closeout is FY 98). This is the major monitoring project for the on-going injury to and recovery of pink salmon.

# The University of Montana



Division of Biological Sciences Missoula, Montana 59812-1002 (406) 243-5122 FAX (406) 243-4184

18 March 1996

Robert Loeffler Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street, Suite 401 Anchorage, AK 99501-3451

Dear Bob,

We are having some difficulties in proceeding with our project to construct a linkage map for pink salmon that are related to the annual basis of the project funding. We are purchasing a piece of equipment (an automated fluorescent imaging scanner) for which there is not enough funds in Year 1. We have arranged to pay for this equipment in 12 monthly payments (8 in year 1 and 4 in year 2). The University would like some assurance from the Trustee Council that funding will continue in Year 2. Similarly, we cannot hire qualified and competent people without some assurance of funding into Year 2.

I know that we have discussed this before Bob, and you cannot commit beyond one year at a time. Nevertheless, we need to be able to hire good people and give them some assurance of their future beyond the next few months. This year has been especially problematic because we only recently received authority to spend money due to the delayed decision and subsequent delays. It would be very helpful if you or Molly could write me a letter explaining where we stand with regard to funding for next year.

Sincerely,

Fred W. Allendorf

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Ernie Piper

ADEC Restoration Program Manager

FROM:

Molly McCammon Affectutive Director

DATE:

March 20, 1996

SUBJ:

Project 96100 Budget Adjustments

The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm plans regarding the use of FY 96 funds that have become available as a result of the departure of Bob Loeffler.

As approved by the Trustee Council at its February 28, 1996 meeting, \$21,400 will be reprogrammed by ADEC from Project 96100 to support further work on the Prince William Sound Solid Waste Management Project (Project 96115). As we have discussed, an additional \$30,000 will be reprogrammed within Project 96100 to support a public information effort through the award of a competitively bid contract to provide brief topical radio broadcasts that describe restoration projects and findings. The contract will be issued by the Restoration Office through ADFG and it will therefore be necessary to transfer the \$30,000 between the agencies. Please work directly with Traci Cramer to prepare a revised program for submission and approval by OMB.

It is my understanding that beyond these reprogrammed expenditures, remaining funds associated with the position would be lapsed. Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter.

cc: Traci Cramer
Kevin Brooks/ADFG
Larry Jones/ADEC
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Please pencil in a Trustee Council meeting April 24, in Juneau. Details to follow. Thank you!! Rebecca

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#### SEA EMPRESS SPILL INFORMATION

#### **Accident Details**

- \*On February 15, 1996, the Sea Empress grounded on a mid-channel rock at the entrance to Milford Haven due to pilot error.
- \*Oil leaked from Sea Empress in four major releases associated with the low tide. 70,000 tonnes (19 million gallons) of North Sea crude and 300 tonnes (80,000 gallons) of fuel oil were spilled.

#### **Response Structure**

- \*Response involves all levels of government and is integrated with the private sector.
- \*British Coastguard and Dyfed County directly managed the spill with government and private sector resources. Oil industry and consultants provided additional expertise.

#### Fate of the Oil

- \*The oil was spilled in four major episodes over a week's period.
- \*Most of the oil went outside of Milford Haven, with a lesser impact within Milford Haven.
- \*170 kilometers (105 miles) of shoreline were contaminated. Shoreline consisted mainly of rocky headlands, cobble-pebble beaches and sandy beaches. Most of the oiled shoreline was at the high tide mark.

#### Resources at Risk

- \*Intertidal communities, subtidal communities (dispersed oil), marine mammals, birds.
- \*Fisheries Mussels, cockles, seaweed, oysters, groundfish, lobster.
- \*Tourist beaches The impact area includes the Tenby area, a major tourist destination.

#### Cleanup Techniques

- \*The Coastguard used 445 tonnes (120,000 gallons) of dispersants on floating oil at least 1 mile offshore. No dispersants were sprayed within Milford Haven.
- \*Floating oil not sprayed with dispersants was removed with skimmers and manual removal.
- \*Shoreline cleanup techniques included concentrating stranded oil in trenches for vacuum removal, mechanical tilling, mechanical disking, removal of contaminated sand, relocation to surf zone, cold water washing. Bioremediation is being proposed as a final cleaning step.

#### **Biological Baseline Data**

- \*Extensive baseline data within Milford Haven including over 100 intertidal sites and some subtidal sites. Lesser baseline data exists outside of Milford Haven.
- \*A major survey on grey seals was completed about 3 years ago.
- \*Extensive information on shorebirds due to the country's interest in birding. Volunteers conduct winter bird counts monthly from October to March.
- \*Limited information on fisheries. No major fisheries exist along impacted area.

#### Resource Damage

- \*Full impact of the spill is not known at this time.
- \*3000 bird carcasses have been recovered. 3500 birds have been treated. The most common species impacted have been scoters, murres, razor bills, and cormorants.
- \*Damages occurred to intertidal and subtidal, but the extent has not been determined.
- \*Fisheries and aquaculture is closed due to the spill. Economic impact has not been measured.
- \*Tourism has been reduced for 1996 with canceled bookings. Economic impact has not been measured.

#### **Future Resource Damage Studies**

- \*Water quality sampling within and outside Milford Haven is underway.
- \*Intertidal and subtidal studies will be conducted at the existing long term study sites.
- \*Winter bird counts increased from monthly to weekly to assess spills damage.
- \*The grey seal pupping areas will be surveyed this spring.
- \*The offshore fishery is now being examined to measure the effects of the dispersed oil. Mussels, cockles, and seaweed will be monitored at several onshore sites.

#### Preliminary comparison of EXXON VALDEZ and SEA EMPRESS spills

Volume	Exxon Valdez 10.8 million gallons 40,000 tonnes	Sea Empress 19 million gallons 70,000 tonnes
Oil type	North Slope Crude API 26-28	North Sea Crude API 40-41
Shoreline oiled	1500 miles 2400 kilometers	105 miles 170 kilometers
Bird carcasses recovered	30,000 90 species	3,000 19 species

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#### News Release - For Immediate Release

Date:

March 20, 1996

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Contact:

Molly McCammon or L.J. Evans at 907/278-8012

# Trustee Council Releases Independent Auditors' Findings

The trust funds overseen by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council were given a clean bill of health in an independent audit released by the Trustee Council in Anchorage today.

The Juneau firm of Elgee, Rehfield and Funk conducted the audit as the result of a competitive solicitation authorized by the Trustee Council.

"We're very pleased that the audit's findings affirm that our financial statements and accounting system are in good shape," the Council's Executive Director Molly McCammon said.

"As part of its trust responsibilities, the Council wanted to assure the public that the trust funds were being well managed, and that's why having an audit done was a high priority."

McCammon noted that at the Council's request, the audit team also examined the financial management of Council-funded projects within individual state and federal agencies. "The auditors made a number of recommendations to improve management practices, and we'll be following up on those during this next year."

The most significant issues the auditors identified were the fees paid to the Court system to invest the council's funds, and the lack of an ability to transfer funds by wire, which reduces interest earnings.

"We've turned these issues over to legal counsel and asked them to develop recommendations on how to address them," McCammon said.

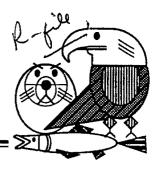
The audit of the Trustee Council funds and expenditures cost \$48,710.

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Press advisory: Copies of the audit summary are available at the Oil Spill Public Information Center at 645 G St., Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, or call 278-8008, toll-free within Alaska at 1-800-478-7745.

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March 19, 1996

Dianna Estes Alaska Printing, Inc. 3685 Arctic Boulevard Anchorage, AK 99503 VIA FAX 561-2728

Re: 96 EVOS Annual Report

Dear Ms. Estes:

You are authorized by receipt of this letter to print all 9,000 copies of the 96 EVOS Annual Report on the following papers:

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As we discussed and as you offered in your letter of March 18, 1996, any cost differential for use of TopKote versus Repap will be borne wholly by Alaska Printing, Inc. because both of these papers are less expensive than Simpson Evergreen matte white 80 text and cover, which is the paper we requested, you bid on, and we authorized in Delivery Order number 343780, dated March 8, 1996.

We need this job to be completed as soon as possible. Please proceed with all due haste. Please advise me of your timetable as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,

L.J. Evans

cc: Molly McCammon, Executive Director
Roxie Aragones, ADF&G Supply/Juneau

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March 19, 1996

Jamil Dierov 901 Pleasant Avenue, Apt. 7A Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania 19038

Dear Mr. Dierov:

Thank you for your resume, stating your interest in participating in the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council scientific process. I have forwarded your materials to our Chief Scientist, Dr. Robert Spies, at Applied Marine Sciences, 2155 Las Positas Court, Suite F, Livermore. CA 94550. Dr. Spies can be reached directly at (510) 373-7142.

Thank you again for contacting us.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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March 18, 1996

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To whom it may concern:

This letter is to notify the Postal Service that the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council will not be renewing box number 21949. As of April 1, 1996, all mail should be forwarded to the Alaska Department of Fish & Game, PO Box 25526, Juneau, AK 99802-5526.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me at 907-278-8012.

Sincerely,

Eric F. Myers

Director of Operations

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#### <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

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FROM:

Eric F. Myers, Director of Operations

DATE:

March 18, 1996

SUBJ:

Application of Conflict of Interest Law

I consulted with LaRae Jones, ADFG Personnel Officer, regarding requirements for the EVOS Restoration Office staff regarding personal financial disclosure under AS 39.50.

Ms. Jones indicated that Molly McCammon, Executive Director, was subject to the disclosure requirements but that other members of the staff were not covered by the requirement.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Restoration Work Force Members

From:

Molly McCammon

Executive Director

Date:

March 15, 1996

Subj:

RWF Meeting Tuesday, March 19

I have scheduled a meeting of the Restoration Work Force **Tuesday, March 19, at 1:00 p.m.** in the large conference room at the Restoration Office in Anchorage. Those of you in Juneau may participate from the Executive Director's Office.

The agenda will include:

- Project Management Budgets
- Administration Budget
- Financial Operating Procedures revisions
- Update on the 3/13 Public Advisory Group meeting
- Other miscellaneous issues.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Mary Anne Bishop/Copper River Delta Institute

FROM:

Molly McCammon

Executive Director

RE:

Final Report for Project 95320Q/Avian Predation on Herring Spawn

DATE:

March 15, 1996

The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm an extended due date of June 30, 1996 for your final report on Project 95320Q/Avian Predation on Herring Spawn. I understand that this extension is needed because of difficulties in filling a statistician position at the Forest Service. To comply with the requirement that the SEA project, of which 95320Q is a part, submit an annual report by April 15, 1996, it is also my understanding that you will provide a summary of your results to Ted Cooney in time for him to meet the April 15 deadline.

cc:

**Bob Spies** 

Dave Gibbons

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Bruce Wright/NOAA

FROM:

Molly McGammon

Executive Director

RE:

Final Report for Project ST8/Sediment Data Synthesis

DATE:

March 15, 1996

The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm an extended due date of September 30, 1996 for Jeff Short's final report on Project ST8/Sediment Data Synthesis. I understand that this extension is needed because it has taken longer than anticipated to acquire and process the hydrocarbon data necessary to meet the oil identification objective of the project. The final report will include an electronic version of the hydrocarbon database.

cc: Bob Spies

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March 15, 1996

Dr. George C. West P.O. Box 841 Homer, Alaska 99603

Dear Dr. West,

Thank you for your recent letter in regard to small parcel KEN-261 located on the east side of the Homer spit.

I appreciate the additional detailed information that you have provided regarding this 6.9 acre parcel and its habitat values as they pertain to injured resources and services. I have asked Stan Senner, Science Coordinator in the Restoration Office, to review this additional information with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in light of their long-standing interest in the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) and the intertidal/subtidal resources of this area.

Your continuing involvement and contribution to the restoration program effort is appreciated and I will be sure to share your letter with the Trustee Council members.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

cc: Stan Senner

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Public Advisory Group

FROM:

Molly McCammon

**Executive Director** 

DATE:

March 15, 1996

SUBJECT:

Date of 1996 Field Trip

Following are the dates being considered for the 1996 field trip to Lower Cook Inlet. We will be visiting and hosting an open house in each of the following communities: Homer, Seldovia, and Port Graham. Residents of Nanwalek will be invited to attend the open house in Port Graham.

Wednesday / Thursday — May 8-9

OR

Tuesday / Wednesday — May 14-15

OR

Tuesday / Wednesday — September 17-18

OR

Wednesday / Thursday — September 18-19

Please rank the dates in order of your preference and return to me as soon as possible.

#### Rebecca Williams

From:

Dietrick, Larry

To:

Kent, Lynn; Ijevans; Marilyn Heiman; Rebecca; Hahn, Brad; French, Gennie;

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Subject:

Wales Update

Date:

Friday, March 15, 1996 1:03AM

Spoke to John Bauer today. He relayed the following information.

#### REPORT

- Arrangements via The Coastguard Agency working well. He and Bob Spies have been in the "field" observing the impacted areas and exchanging information on cleanup strategies.

- Currently focus is on bioremediation techniques
- Have obtained information on the dispersant applications. 445 tons (approximately 100,000 gallons) of several dispersant types applied. 22 million gallons of crude spilled.
- Have also been learning about the response organization and structure used to manage the incident. The Marine Pollution Control Unit has been in the lead.
- Shoreline contamination on hard sand beaches has been cleaned with a squeege type operation and then removed by vac truck. Penetration on these beaches was minimal. "Shingle" beaches, those with cobbles and stone, have subsurface accumulations and are in remote areas more difficult to access. No water washing techniques used to date.
- Disposal of waste liquids being accomplished at nearby refineries.
- Insurance companies are paying for the costs of cleanup.
- The investigation into the cause and information on attempts to tow is being pursued. The facts on cause and towing will be put into a report. John is going to try and make arrangements to get the report.
- In situ burning was considered but not conducted.
- Biological impacts being noted.

#### **SCHEDULE**

An additional day or two in the field is planned. This will be followed by a short debrief. Departure from London is being planned for Sunday or Monday. Arrival in Alaska expected by Tuesday.

#### **GAMEPLAN**

John and Bob will prepare a joint trip report. No further updates are planned. Press information is being coordinated with Joe, Clare and LJ Evans.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks, Larry 465-5232

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

All Staff

FROM:

Eric F. Myers, Director of Operations

DATE:

3/14/96

SUBJ:

Avoidance of Back Injuries

The purpose of this memorandum is to encourage and remind all staff to pay careful attention to the possibility of back injuries or strains as a result of lifting heavy objects.

Please remember to "lift with your legs" to avoid putting a strain on your back and to ask for assistance from others if you have any question about being able to safely lift an object.

Thank you.

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March 14, 1996

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Jim Sinnett Chugach Heritage Foundation 4201 Tudor Centre Drive, Suite 220 Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Dear Jim:

Congratulations on a well attended and thought-provoking planning conference. We are pleased with the progress you have made on the archaeological resource element of the plan. The other elements are not as fully developed and it is more difficult to assess them. However, it appears that early draft sections of the plan do not adequately assess alternatives for storage and display of artifacts, estimate costs of facility construction and operation and maintenance, or evaluate methods of restoration other than construction of facilities. In order to ensure that the plan provides all the information needed by the Trustees to make a rational decision, we would like to highlight a number of issues.

Part I (Archaeology), while incomplete, contains valuable information that will form the basis of the plan. Inclusion of the federal regulations is an effective way of urging a broad audience to actually read them. The inventory appears to be thoroughly researched and should serve as the starting point for projections of space needs. We understand that archaeologists in state and federal agencies are reviewing the inventory for accuracy. We suggest the next draft include the following:

- 1. Describe the process for transferring artifacts from their present locations to alternative repositories or display areas that may be proposed in the plan. Copies of sample agreements for short-term loans and long-term curatorial services would be useful, as would a copy of the agreement that transferred the response collection to the University of Alaska Museum.
- 2. We encourage you to work with Linda Yarborough, project leader in the U.S. Forest Service, to ensure that the plan complies with federal and state regulations. For example, federal regulations advise against subdividing collections unless necessary to meet special storage, conservation or research needs. The inventory refers to "EVOS Collections" and we agree that there are probably several collections that were recovered during the spill response, damage assessment, and restoration phases. However, the inventory does not indicate which artifacts are considered part of the same collection. The inventory indicates that 150 Native artifacts are

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associated with English Bay, 45 with Chenega, 22 with Port Graham, and 14 with Chugach Alaska Corporation/Chugach Region in addition to the 770 items recovered from land soon to be conveyed to the corporation. How would you propose to divide these artifacts? For example, would all the artifacts associated with English Bay be stored in a repository in Nanwalek and sent to other villages for display under a short-term loan or would the collection from English Bay be divided among several communities?

3. What is the physical location of the artifacts that are not in the University of Alaska Museum in Fairbanks? The inventory attributes the curation of certain collections of artifacts to NPS, USFS, and BIA in addition to UAM-F.

Part II (Facilities Plan). The inventory of existing facilities in the eight communities in the study area will be valuable. However, the contract also requires you to develop and assess alternatives and estimate storage requirements for artifacts.

- 1. Methods Section 1.02 and 1.03 of the contract calls for the development and assessment of alternatives, which may include:
  - (a) use of an existing facility (e.g., UAF Museum or Anchorage Museum),
  - (b) expansion of an existing facility in one location to serve the entire region (e.g., Alutiiq Archaeological Repository or Pratt Museum),
  - (c) construction of a new facility in one location to serve the entire region,
  - (d) expansion of an existing facility or construction of a new facility in each area (Prince William Sound and the Lower Cook Inlet), and
  - (e) combination of an artifact repository with a multiuse facility.

We are aware that the preferred alternative expressed at the planning conference is a repository in each community. The Trustee Council, on the other hand, prefers use or expansion of existing facilities. In order to assess these alternatives you will need basic information about facilities and curatorial services offered or planned by regional or statewide organizations. The draft of Part I indicates that the Alaska Native Heritage Center offers curatorial services. Could this center serve as a repository or clearinghouse in the future? Even though this may not be your preferred alternative, we have asked that you consider all reasonable alternatives.

Another alternative prompted by the early draft of Part I is a repository in the three villages most closely associated with artifacts in the EVOS collections — English Bay. Port Graham, and Chenega Bay — overseen by a central clearinghouse. The other six communities in the area could then propose display areas (perhaps a room in a multiuse facility and display cases) suitable for display of artifacts on loan from the repositories. Again, even though this may not be your preferred alternative, we have asked you to evaluate reasonable alternatives.

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2. What are the storage requirements (space needs and environmental conditions) for artifacts under the various alternatives? The inventory in Part I of the plan indicates that 1,001 Native artifacts may be of interest to communities in the planning area. Under the alternative of eight repositories, how would the artifacts be distributed and what would be the storage requirements for each repository? Under a scenario of a regional repository in an existing facility, what would be the storage requirements? You will need this information to estimate construction and operating costs.

Part III (Financial Plan). Methods Section 5.0 of the contract requires you to estimate "costs of construction, operation and maintenance of facilities and prepare a report on the options and mechanisms for the financing of the local community and regional facilities identified in the regionwide needs assessment." The facilities financing overview appears to lack the information asked for in the contract.

- 1. If an alternative includes a facility, we expect the draft plan to present a well-documented estimate of the total construction cost for that part of the facility directly related to archaeological restoration. The figure of \$300/sf, the average cost of construction of the Bethel Museum, was mentioned at the planning conference. The draft plan should justify this average cost figure and describe the other models you considered, such as the Alutiiq Museum, and why you rejected them. If construction costs vary by community, we expect cost estimates tailored to the community. At the planning conference, Elstun Lauesen presented a hypothetical spreadsheet that assumed Trustee Council funding for a portion of the construction costs for space for general government, clinic, VPSO, and federal agencies. The Trustee Council cannot contribute restoration funds for these functions, but may consider requests for projects necessary for the restoration of archaeological resources injured by the spill.
- 2. We also expect estimates of the operation and maintenance costs for any facility under consideration and the long-term cost of any program. Any community or organization that proposes a facility or a program will have to demonstrate the financial and institutional ability to operate and maintain them. An important component of the operation of any facility or program is personnel. Using the information provided in Part I of the plan, make assumptions about the qualifications of the personnel needed to staff proposed facilities and programs and include personnel support costs in the estimates of operation costs.
- 3. In 1991, English Bay Corporation, Port Graham Corporation, Chenega Corporation, and Chugach Alaska Corporation sued for recoveries from the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Liability Fund (TAPLF) for damage to archaeological resources on private land. The Administrator of TAPLF agreed to compensate the Corporations for the costs of excavation and curation of oiled archaeological sites on their land. Before the Trustee Council could evaluate the appropriateness of using any of the settlement funds for restoration measures that would encompass nonpublic

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artifacts, we need to know whether funds have already been recovered by private parties for injuries to these resources and whether those funds are being used to restore archaeological resources; and, if so, the uses to which those funds have been committed in relation to this project.

- 4. The facilities financing overview describes the concept of an underwriting fund over a 20-year period (Section 1.3, "Financing Approach"). We do not believe this method of financing is legal under the terms of the Consent Decree that governs the use of the restoration fund. Please submit a detailed description of this financing method so that we can obtain legal review as soon as possible. An alternative financing plan may need to be developed.
- 5. The facility financing overview also presents the concept of stewardship zones. For purposes of Project 96154, the notion of "stewardship zones" should be limited to archaeological site stewardship programs. If communities are interested in an archaeological site stewardship program, the restoration benefits from such a program should be addressed in Part I of the plan. Lora Johnson is knowledgeable about archaeological site stewardship programs and past efforts by the Trustee Council to support such programs. Through a project funded by the Trustee Council in 1993, a handbook for archaeological site stewardship was developed. In 1995, the Trustee Council funded a pilot site stewardship program (Project 96149).
- 6. The facility financing overview states that the financing framework includes Trustee Council funding of "the cultural resource inventory, monitoring and research of public lands acquired through recent and future habitat purchases." This is not a reliable assumption. The Trustee Council will assess proposals for these activities case by case and will need to know if damages have been recovered by the previous owners. (See the discussion of TAPLF above.) The Council's monitoring program is limited to about seven sites per year and will end in FY 98 if no further evidence of injury is observed.

Community Advisory Planning Committee. The contract and budget calls for a Community Advisory Planning Committee. It is very important that communities are involved in developing and assessing all of the alternatives.

Please inform us of the membership of the committee, its role in development of the plan, and your schedule for future meetings. At the conclusion of the planning conference, you suggested to Martha Vlasoff that Project 96052, the Community Involvement Project, could be more involved with your efforts. We think this is an excellent idea. Community liaisons from the planning area are:

Don Kompkoff, Chenega Bay Gary Kompkoff, Tatitlek

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> Bob Henrich, Cordova Helmer Olsen, Valdez Kenny Blatchford, Seward Walter Meganack, Port Graham Charles Moonin, Nanwalek

Remember that Homer and Seldovia and key city officials should also be represented on the planning committee.

We look forward to receiving a draft of the plan and working with you to finalize a plan that is of most use to the Trustee Council. The contract specified March 15 as the date by which we would receive the draft plan. Please notify Dave Gibbons of the revised date. The contract calls for a 45-day review period and public meetings in affected communities.

The changes we discuss in this letter are necessary for the communities and the Trustee Council to make informed decisions about archaeological restoration. Already you have contributed a great deal to deliberations on this subject. We look forward to working with you on this effort.

Sincerely,

Dave Gibbons, U.S. Forest Service as Contracting Officer's Representative EVOS Trustee Council

Molly McCammon, Executive Director

John Christiansen, Chairman, Chugach Alaska Corporation cc:

Dave Maiero, Chugach Development Corporation

Lora Johnson, Chugach Heritage Foundation

Gina Belt, U.S. Department of Justice

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March 14, 1996

Wayne Ewing 2340 South East Ryan Street Corvallis, Oregon 97333

Dear Mr. Ewing:

Thank you for your letter of March 2, 1996 regarding your interest in producing films and videos relating to restoring recreation and tourism after the *Exxon Valdez Oil Spill*. I have forwarded your letter to the individuals listed below at the Alaska Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Department of Forest Service. If you want to contact them directly I have included their phone numbers and addresses.

Carol Fries
Alaska Department of Natural Resources
3601 C Street, Room 1210
Anchorage, Alaska 99503
(907) 269-8431

Dave Gibbons U.S. Forest Service 709 West 9th Street, Room 831 Juneau, Alaska 99802-1628 (907) 586-8784

Thank you for your interest in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council process. Good luck to you.

Sincerely,

Molly McClammon Executive Director

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

3/2/96

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street Suite 401 Anchorage, Alaska 99501-8012

Dear Mr./Ms.,

I am an independent film and video producer in Oregon. I organize specilized groups of individuals in the areas of camera work, audio, post-production, and distribution-pulling a number of smaller businesses together to complete a final project. My methods take more time, farming out to specialized businesses, but the cost is far less than simply handing the entire job over to a multi-media production house.

I was told that the Department of Natural Resources in Anchorage might be interested in having one or several films or videos produced to aid in their program to restore recreation and tourism. If this is the case, please send me any information you can regarding this. Please send me the name(s) and phone number(s) of the people involved in this area. I am eager to hear from you and appreciate your time and consideration. I can be reached at the following address and phone number:

Wayne Ewing 2340 S.E. Ryan Street Corvallis, OR 97333

(541) 752-1009

Thank you for your efforts and energy.

Sincerely,

Wayne Ewing

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Evelyn Brown (96320T, herring)

Dave Duffy (96163, APEX)

Pat Harris (96195, Pristane)

Leslie Holland-Bartels (96125, NVP) David Scheel (96009D, Octopus)

From:

Motty McCampton

Executive Director

Date:

March 13, 1996

Subj:

Traditional Ecological Knowledge and EVOS Projects

I am pleased to know that you are actively exploring how to incorporate traditional ecological knowledge or plan to hire local residents in your FY 1996 EVOS project. This is exactly what we hoped would happen following the Restoration Workshop in January.

We now are trying to get a better idea of the plans for each project so that we can better assist you in your efforts and ensure that what is done in the communities is coordinated with the needs of the other projects. You can help us by taking a few minutes to respond to the attached questions and either fax or telephone Martha Vlasoff, the Community Involvement Coordinator, with your reply. Martha can be reached at the Restoration Office in Anchorage.

Once Martha has your replies in hand and we can see the who, what, when, and where of each project, we will follow up with you individually as needed. If possible, please get back to Martha by Friday, March 22. Thank you again for your interest in traditional knowledge and for your reply to this request.

By copy of this letter, I am inviting members of the Restoration Work Force to advise us if they know of PIs in addition to you who are planning a community involvement dimension to their project.

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Martha Vlasoff, Community Involvement Coordinator

Stan Senner, Science Coordinator Robert Spies, Chief Scientist Restoration Work Force

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Community Involvement Questionnaire			
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How do you plan to obtain	this information? (ie.w	ritten questionaire, personal interviews)	
How can the EVOS office	help you and your proje	ect?	

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March 13, 1996

Mr. George A. King Managing Director Cambridge Partners, L.L.C. 65 East 55th Street New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. King,

The purpose of this letter is to express the continuing support of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council regarding the development of the Alaska SeaLife Center. The Trustee Council has a long-standing involvement with the Alaska SeaLife Center, a facility that will provide essential laboratory research infrastructure needed to support the Council's restoration program.

Development of the Alaska SeaLife Center is a key element of the Council's long-term commitment to full restoration of the injuries that resulted from the *Exxon Valdez* oil spill. As you are aware, the Trustee Council took action in November 1994 to authorize \$24.9 million to support development of the Alaska SeaLife Center. The Trustee Council's resolution in support of the project recognized that:

- the Alaska SeaLife Center will provide needed research infrastructure for conducting long-term marine mammal, seabird, and fishery genetics research necessary to fully restore the biological resources injured by the oil spill;
- there are no existing facilities in Alaska capable of supporting the restoration research needs that will be addressed by the Alaska SeaLife Center; and
- the Alaska SeaLife Center will make a critical contribution to marine ecosystem research needed to understand the ecological and human factors that may influence or control the recovery of injured resources.

In its November 1994 resolution of support, the Trustee Council also stated its commitment to long-term involvement with research at the facility with

adoption of the following policy statement:

"Consistent with this facility's unique capabilities for marine mammal, seabird and fishery genetics research, it is the policy of the Trustee Council to concentrate its EVOS-funded laboratory research projects and resources at the ... facility to the maximum extent practicable."

The Alaska SeaLife Center will play a vital, long-term role in the restoration program. In recognition of the scheduled opening of the facility in May 1998, the Trustee Council's recently released *Invitation to Submit Restoration Proposals for Federal Fiscal Year 1997* highlights the coming availability of the research facilities at the Alaska SeaLife Center and directs prospective principal investigators to work with Dr. Mike Castellini, Science Director for the Center, to develolp proposals that may be suited for implementation at the facility.

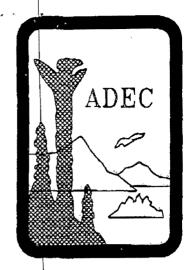
The Trustee Council's contribution to development of the Alaska SeaLife Center is part of its commitment to creating a permanent legacy from the *Exxon Valdez* settlement funds. This legacy includes a major on-going, long-term research and monitoring program through the end of the settlement payment period in 2001. To support that program well into the future, the Council has established a Restoration Reserve which is anticipated to have a corpus of \$108 million, plus accumulated interest, by the year 2002.

Development of the Alaska SeaLife Center is an essential part of the overall long-term, comprehensive restoration program. When considered together with the \$12.5 million appropriated by the Alaska State Legislature from *Exxon Valdez* oil spill criminal settlement funds, public commitment to the Alaska SeaLife Center is clear. I welcome Cambridge Partners involvement in the project and look forward to completion and opening of the facility in the spring of 1998.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

cc: Leif Selkregg



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Wales Update

Tuesday, March 12, 1996 9:36AM

Bob Spies and John Bauer should be arriving at Milford Haven today.

The response letter to the Viscount from Michele Brown has been distributed and followup courtesy calls have been made to the British Consulate General in San Francisco and to the British Honorary Consul in Anchorage. Coordination with The Coastguard Agency was completed.

No press release sent out yet.

will be in phone contact with John during their visit. If anyone has any specific information needs let me know. Updates can be made available upon request.

Bob Sples will pass his updates to the EVOS office.

Thanks and please call if you have any questions. Larry 465-5232

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TO:

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THRU:

Eric Myers

Director of Operations

FROM:

Cherri Womac

Administrative Assistant II

DATE:

March 11, 1996

SUBJECT:

Authorization to reimburse Chenega Corporation

Attached are 12 workshop participant's TAs, please reimburse Chenega Corporation (CHE89226) \$3,426.60.

Several residents from Chenega Bay were invited to attend the Residual Oiling Workshop held on November 1-3, 1995 in Anchorage. The purpose of the workshop was to share both scientific and traditional knowledge regarding resources and services injured by the oil spill. The workshop was an opportunity for the Chenega Bay residents to speak directly to scientists and agency personnel who had conducted research, monitoring, and cleanup on the Prince William Sound beaches. It was also an opportunity for the residents of Chenega Bay to voice their concerns directly to key personnel they felt may not understand the consequences of the loss of their subsistence opportunities and their loss of trust in the safety of the remaining available subsistence food resources.

Public Advisory Group 645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3451 Phone 907-278-8012 Fax 907-276-7178



#### **AGENDA**

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

Wednesday, March 13, 1996 9:00 AM

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**DRAFT** 3/11/96

#### **PURPOSE:**

- 1. Receive status report on restoration program
- 2. Invitation to Submit Restoration Proposals for Federal Fiscal Year 1997

#### Wednesday

9:00 AM	Call to order/roll call/ approval of agenda	Vern McCorkle, Chair
9:05	Approval of summary of December 6, 1995 PAG meeting	Vern McCorkle, Chair
9:10	<ul> <li>Executive Director's Report</li> <li>Habitat Protection</li> <li>Audit</li> <li>FY 97 Invitation</li> <li>Legislative approval of state funds</li> </ul>	Molly McCammon Executive Director
10:15	Break	
10:30	SWMP	George Keeney (Cordova) Bill Wilcox (Valdez) Chris Overbeck (Whittier) Chuck Totemoff (Chenega)

### <u>Wednesday</u> - continued

11:00	Highlights of 1996 Restoration Workshop Review of Recovery Objectives	Stan Senner
12:00 PM	Lunch on your own	
1:00	Public Comment	
1:30	Status Report of Information  Management Project	Carol Fries, ADNR
	PAG Information Subgroup	Chris Beck
2:15	Report on Residual Oiling Conference	Ernie Piper, ADEC
3:00	Break	
3:15	Discussion of University Chairs	Jim King
4:00	1996 PAG field trip Upcoming PAG meetings	
4:15	Member Comments	
5:00	Adjourn	

# SCIENCE CONFERENCES

	DATE	CONFERENCE/MEETING	LOCATION	INFO CONTACT	SCIENCE CONTACT	EVOS ROLE/CONTACT
	3/22/96	61st North American Wildlife & Natural Resources Conference	Adams Mark Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma	Dick McCabe, Wildlife Management Institute 1101 14th St. NW, #801 Washington DC 20005 202/371-1808 202/408-5059 fax		
	THEME	Wildlife				
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	3/27/96	66th Annual Meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society	Bahai Resort Hotel, San Diego, CA	Abby Powell Dept of Biology/San Diego State University San Diego, CA 92182 619/594-4357 FX: 619/594-5676	Tom Scott 909/787-5155 FAX: 909/787-4324 tomscott@ucrac1.UCR.EDU	·.·
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4/8/96	6th Annual Alaska Bird Conference	Fairbanks, Alaska	Philip Martin, USFWS 101 12th Avenue, Box 19 Fairbanks, AK 99701 Phone: 907/456-0325 Fax:		Stan Senner giving EVOS talk
THEME	Bering sea birds; species of concern.		907/465-0208 Philip_Martin@mail.fws.gov		
4/8/96	6th Alaska Bird Conference	Fairbanks, Alaska	Philip Martin, USFWS P.O. Box 19, Fairbanks, AK 99701 907/456-0325 907/456-0208 fax Philip_Martin@mail.fws.gov	Philip Martin	
THEME					
6/15/96	76th Annual Meeting of The American Society of Mammalogists	University of North Dakota - Grand Forks, ND	Robert Seabloom University of North Dakota/Dept of Biology Grand Forks, North Dakota 58202-9019		
 THEME			PH: 701/777-4676 FAX: 701-777-2623		

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	6/20/96	Society for Ecological Restoration '96 Annual Conference	Rutgers University New Brunswick, NJ	Society for Ecological Restoration Conference 1207 Seminole Highway Madison, WI 53711 ser@vms2.macc.wisc.edu	Steven N. Handel & Jean Marie Hartman	
	THEME	Science and restoration, including restoring guilds; experimental design.	ng bird habitats and invertebrate			
<u></u>	7/14/96	AFS Western Division - Annual Meeting	Eugene, Oregon	Bob Hughes/ManTech Environmental Serv. 200 SW 35th Street, Corvallis, OR 97333 503/754-4516		·
	THEME			hughsb@mail.cor.epa.gov		
<u>-</u>	7/28/96	Second World Fisheries Congress	Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre Brisbane Queensland Australia	Allison Moon/2nd World Fisheries Conference P.O. Box 1280 Milton QLD 4064 Australia		Dana Schmidt/ADFG giving sockeye talk.
	тнеме	Developing and sustaining fisheries.		Int'l phone: (+617) 3369 0477 Int'l Fax: (+617) 3369 1512		

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	8/11/96	Society for Conservation Biology and Ecological Society of North America	Providence, Rhode Island	Jill Baron, ESA Program Chair National Research Ecological Lab Colorado State U, Ft. Collins, CO 80523 303/491-1968 jill@colostate.edu		•
	THEME			•		
	8/13/96	Meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union jointly with Raptor Research Foundation	Boise State University, Boise, CO	Peter Lowther Field Museum of National History Roosevelt Road at Lakeshore Drive Chicago, IL 60605 lowther@fmnh.org	Peter Lowther	•
	THEME		•			
,	8/25/96	Int'l Congress on the Biology of Fishes	San Francisco State University, CA	Don MacKinlay, Fisheries & Oceans 555 W Hastings, St., Vancouver, BC V6B5G3 604/666-3520 604/666/3450 fax		
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THEME			fax 1115@compuserver.com		
9/19/96	1996 Arctic Science Conference	Girdwood Prince Hotel, Girdwood, AK	Mary Killorian, Conference Coordinator Institute of Social & Economic Research/UAA 3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508	Jack Kruse <auaaas@acad2.alaska.edu< td=""><td>. · · · · ·</td></auaaas@acad2.alaska.edu<>	. · · · · ·
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10/1/96	3rd Annual Conference of The Wildlife Society	Omni Netherland Plaza - Cincinnati, Ohio	The Wildlife Society 5410 Grosvenor Lane Bethesda, Maryland 20814 PH: 301/897-9770 FAX: 301/530-2471		
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	11/4/96	Eco-Informa '96	Epcot Science & Technology, Lake Buena Vista, Florida	ERIM/Eco-Informa P.O. Box 134001, Ann Arbor, MI 48113-4001 313/994-1200 x 3234	Ken Morgan, Workshop Coordinator Texas Christian University P.O. Box 30798, Ft. Worth,	
	THEME	Environmental data banks, ecostystem m spills.	nanagement, marine and terrestrial	313/994-5123 fax wallman@erim.org	TX 76129 817/921-7273 817/921-7789 fax k.morgan@tcu.edu	
and the second	11/13/96	International Symposium - Role of Forage Fishes in Marine Ecosystems	Anchorage Hilton - Anchorage, Alaska	Brenda Baxter, Coordinator Alaska Sea Grant College Program/UAF P.O. Box 755040 Fairbanks, AK 99775-5040		Trustee Council is co-sponsor.
	THEME	Forage fish, including capelin, herring ar	nd sand lance.	PH: 907/474-6701 FAX: 907/474-6285 FNBRM1@aurora.alaska.edu	<b>,</b>	
	11/19/96	AK Chapter American Fish Society	Fairbanks, Alaska	Bill Hauser/ADFG 267-2172		
	THEME	•	•			

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4	4/7/97	1997 International Oil Spill Conference	Fort Lauderdale Convention Center, Fort Lauderdale, Florida	Conference Manager 1997 International Oil Spill Conference 655 15th St., NW, #300 Washington, DC 20005	Abstracts: CDR Mark Johnson 919/267-6860	
	THEME	Prevention of and response to oil spills; e	ffects.	PH: 202/639-4202 FAX: 202/347-6109 REGISTRATION: Courtesy Assoc/Amy Landsbaum 202/639-4202		
(	9/6/97	7th International Theriological Conference	Acapulco, Guerrero, Mexico	Osiris Gaona, Communications Coordinator Centro de Ecologia, UNAM Ap, Postal 70-275 Mexico, D.F., 04510		
	THEME	Study, conservation, and management of	mammals.			
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### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Traci Cramer

FROM:

Eric F. Myers

DATE:

3/13/96

SUBJ:

FY 97 Budget Form Diskette — Apparent Formula Problem

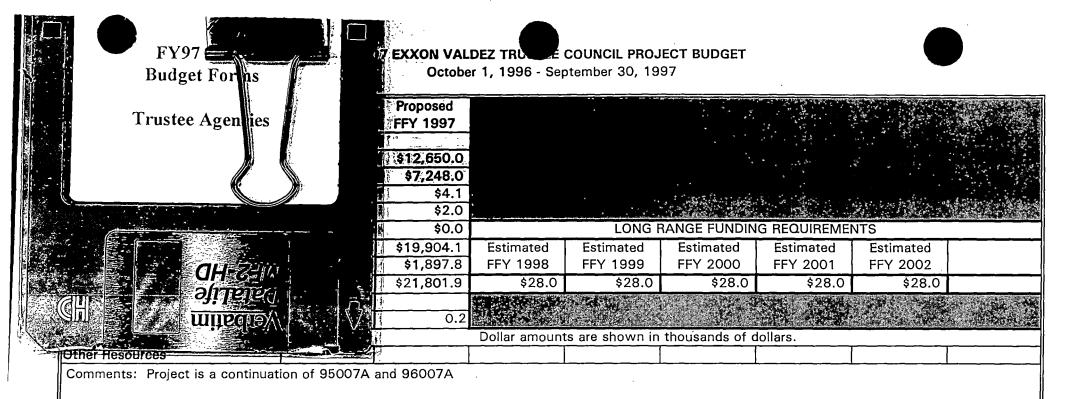
Ken Holbrook has indicated that he has encountered what appears to be a formula problem in one or more cells of the FY 97 Excel Budget Forms.

As he worked with the form it seems to mix "dollars" and "thousands" on the FORM 3A - Trustee Agency Summary page as it pertains to Personnel and Travel (from the FORM 3B - Personnel and Travel Detail).

Please take a look at the attached materials — provided by Dave Gibbons — and give me a call as soon as possible so that any needed corrective action can be taken quickly. Although no other people have identified this concern, I suspect we can anticipate calls in the near future.

(Welcome back.)

cc: Molly McCammon



1997

Project Number: 97007A

Project Title: Archaeological Index Site Monitoring

Agency: USFS

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TRUSTEE **AGENCY SUMMARY** 

FORM 3A

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### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Trustee Council

FROM:

Molly McCammon Executive Director

DATE:

March 13, 1996

SUBJ:

Independent Audit

Please find enclosed a copy of the independent audit prepared by Elgee, Rehfeld and Funk.

This includes two bound documents:

- 1) Trust Funds Financial Statements and Supplementary Restoration Projects Information (Fiscal Year Ended September 1995) Together with Independent Auditors' Report; and
- 2) Internal Control and Operating Comments (January 26, 1996)

I anticipate a formal release of the audit next Wednesday, March 20th and will contact each of you prior to that time.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

cc: Agency Liaisons (w/ enclosures)

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### **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Date:

March 11, 1996

Subject:

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group Meeting

Contact:

**Doug Mutter 271-5011** 

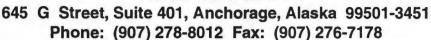
### EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL PUBLIC ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group will meet on Wednesday, March 13, beginning at 9:00 AM at the Oil Spill Public Information Center, 645 G Street in Anchorage. The public is welcome to attend.

- There will be a public comment session on Wednesday, March 13, beginning at 1:00 PM.
- The agenda will include reports on several projects undertaken by the Trustee Council, including the Sound Waste Management Program, Residual Oiling Workshop, and Information Management Project, and discussions of other matters.
- Persons who may need a special modification in order to participate in this
  meeting should contact Cherri Womac at 278-8008 to make any necessary
  arrangements. For more detailed information on the role of the Public Advisory
  Group or a copy of the agenda, contact Doug Mutter, U.S. Department of the
  Interior at 907/271-5011.

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March 11, 1996

Jack Coady 3810 Chatham Ketchikan, Alaska 99901

Dear Mr. Coady:

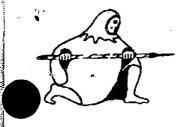
Thank you for your letter and resume, stating your interest in participating in the Trustee Council timber appraisal process. I have forwarded your materials to both the state and federal representatives who work with land acquisitions for the Council and asked them to contact you if your assistance might be useful.

Thank you again for contacting us.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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## The Eyak Corporation

P.O. Box 340 Cordova, Alaska 99574 (907) 424-7161 Fax (907) 424-5161

March 8, 1996

### Via Mail & Facsimile: 907-276-7178

Phil Janik, Regional Forester United States Dept. of Agriculture Alaska Region Box 21628 Juneau, Alaska 99802-1628

Dear Mr. Janik:

We have reviewed your February 28th offer to purchase the property known as the Eyak Core Land. Because of commitments that we currently have with our logging operators and subcontractors, we will begin timber harvest operations shortly on the Core Lands. In sub-paragraph (a) of the Council's resolution it indicates that this offer is valid until timber harvest operations begin on the Core Lands. Timber harvest operations will begin on the Core Lands shortly, therefore, we cannot consider this offer in time to halt our selective timber harvest operations.

On February 10th our board met with members of the Council and Ms. McMammon to discuss the potential to sell the Core Lands in fee simple to the United States as part of the Trustee Council's program for restoration of the natural resources and services that were injured by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. It was generally accepted that the process would be initiated by us. We had indicated that we would work to valuate our land and make the Council an offer we believed was serious. At that meeting we reiterated what the Council has known since October, 1995 that we had planned logging operations in the Core Tract. However, we understood at that meeting that the Council was open to continuing negotiations on an offer to purchase the rest of the Core Tract.

It is our intention to go forward and conduct our valuation of this property and proceed as we said we would at our meeting on February 10th giving the Council a proposal with a value to begin negotiations later this year. It is also our intention to proceed with our selective timber harvest operations. We are sure you understand that we cannot possibly present the Council a serious counter-offer in time

Mr. Phil Janik March 8, 1996 Page Two

to halt our current timber harvest plans and hope that the Council will still be willing to negotiate within this area later this year. It is unfortunate that this resolution of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council could not have been passed and presented to The Eyak Corporation prior to this time. If we had received a purchase offer last summer or fall, perhaps we would have had time to seriously evaluate that offer by this time and alter our harvest plans.

If you should have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

THE EYAK CORPORATION

Brian J/Lettich General Manager

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### **FAX COVER SHEET**

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March 8, 1996

Dr. Thomas J. Mills, Station Director Pacific Northwest Research Station P.O. Box 3890 Portland, Oregon 97208-3890

Subj: Grant No. PNW 95-0676, Amendment No. 2

Dear Dr. Mills:

The Trustee Council has received a request from Dr. David Scheel of the Prince William Sound Science Center in regard to the time needed to complete the octopus surveys in Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Project No. 96009-D (your Grant No. PNW 95-0676, Amendment No. 2).

The Detailed Project Description and funding approved by the Trustee Council in December 1995 include a final octopus dive survey in early December 1996. It is our understanding that this dive survey will be carried out by Dr. Scheel or other persons associated with the Science Center. On this basis, I am approving Dr. Scheel's request to carry out a December 1996 dive survey with FY 1996 funds.

We understand that Dr. Scheel will submit an FY 1997 proposal to the Trustee Council requesting only "close-out" funds for the octopus project. He will not be requesting funds for additional field work in FY 1997.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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cc: Traci Cramer

Sandra Schubert Dave Gibbons David Scheel

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March 8, 1996

Mary Anne Bishop Copper River Delta Institute P.O. Box 1460 Cordova, Alaska 99574

Dear Mary Anne:

This letter is in reply to your request of February 25 for an extension of time needed for submission of the final report on project 95320-Q. You have requested a due date of June 30, 1996 because of difficulties in securing the services of a biometrician.

I approve your request for an extension until June 30, but you will need to coordinate with Dr. Ted Cooney in regard to what you provide him for integration in the SEA project (95320) annual report, which is due April 15. The results of your work should be incorporated in that annual report, even though your own final report will be delayed.

Sincerely.

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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cc:

Dave Gibbons, USFS Juneau Cal Baker, USFS Cordova

Sandra Schubert, Restoration Office Ted Cooney, UAF/SEA Project STATE OF ALASKA

TONY KNOWLES, GOVERNOR

### DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 105 Juneau, AK 99801-1795

Telephone: (907) 465-5066 Fax: (907) 465-5070

March 8, 1996

The Viscount Goschen The Department of Transport 76 Marsham Street London, England

Dear Viscount Goschen:

We have identified two individuals who are available to assist you with shoreline cleanup and restoration efforts, the areas of expertise your Coastguard Headquarters identified as most beneficial to your cleanup efforts at Milford Haven. Dr. Robert B. Spies, Chief Scientist for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, and John Bauer, State of Alaska Shoreline Cleanup Manager for the Exxon Valdez response operations, are available to travel to Wales in the capacity of observers. The logistics are being arranged by the Coastguard Agency and our staff.

We have been following the spill response, and fully appreciate and respect the significant effort put forth by the Coastguard Agency in combating the spill. I very much appreciate the opportunity to exchange technical expertise. This is an excellent opportunity for all parties to benefit for the future from the development and application of successful cleanup strategies.

Thank you again for this opportunity. Please let me know if there is any other way we can support your cleanup efforts. Wishing you every success,

Sincerely,

Commissioner

EJC/MB/SI (g:\comm\ms\wales)

cc:

Mr. C.J. Harris, Chief Executive, Coastguard Agency

Mr. Malcolm Dougal, Consul General, British Consulate General

Dr. Diddy R.M. Hitchins, British Honorary Consul for Alaska

Mr. AJ Cherrett, Head, Planning and Policy Division, Coastguard Agency

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### MESSAGE

Date: March 8, 1996

To: A. J. Cherrett

Head, Planning and Policy Division

Coast Guard Headquarters

Spring Place

105 Commercial Road

Southampton, EG

Phone: 011-44-1703-329100

Fax: 011-44-1703-329

From: Larry Dietrick

Prevention and Emergency Response Program

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

State of Alaska

410 Willoughby

Juneau, Alaska 99801

Phone: 907-465-5232

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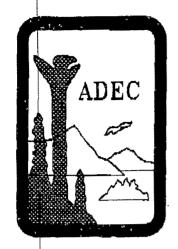
Re: Visit to the Milford Haven oil spill by State of Alaska technical experts

Thankyou very much for the return call and confirmation of participation of John Bauer and Dr. Robert Spies who will come in the capacity of observers. They bring with them considerable experience and expertise. We are hopeful their knowledge will assist your efforts and that their opportunity to observe the cleanup will significantly augment our own knowledge and response planning. I am hopeful we will be able to reciprocate in the future should another incident be experienced in our waters.

We had a teleconference today with Mr. Bauer and Dr. Spies and they are now coordinating their affairs and preparing a schedule. Mr. Bauer will be the lead contact for the State and he will initiate a call to your principal contact, David Bedborough in the immediate future to coordinate scheduling and other arrangements. We are leaving the remaining coordination up to these individuals.

I have attached a copy of the reply to Viscount Goschens letter for your information.

Thankyou for this opportunity and please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.



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March 8, 1996

The Viscount Goshen
The Department of Transport
76 Marsham Street
London, England

Dear Viscount Goshen:

Thank you for your letter of March 1, 1996 regarding our offer of technical assistance for the cleanup effort at Milford Haven. In response to your request, we have discussed with your officials at Coastguard Headquarters, the area of expertise which would be most beneficial to your current cleanup efforts. We have identified two individuals who are available to provide our experience with shoreline cleanup and restoration efforts in Alaska.

The individuals we have identified who are available to come in the capacity of observers are:

Dr. Robert B. Spies, Chief Scientist for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, and John
Bauer, State of Alaska Shoreline Cleanup Manager for the Exxon Valdez response operations.

I very much appreciate the opportunity to exchange technical expertise and your willingness to reimburse travel costs for our representatives. We have been following the response and appreciate and respect the significant effort put forth by The Coastguard Agency in combating the spill and consulting with other experts. I am hopeful we will be able to call upon the experience and expertise of your experts should we ever need them. This is an excellent opportunity from which all parties can benefit from the application of successful cleanup strategies.

Thankyou again for this opportunity and please let me now if there is any other way we can support a successful cleanup.

Sincerely.

Tony Knowles Governor

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Mr. C.J. Harris, Chief Executive, The Coastguard Agency Mr. Malcolm Dougal, Consul General, British Consulate General

### DRAFT NEWS RELEASE - gov office

Governor Tony Knowles said today that the British government has accepted his earlier offer to send Alaska oil spill experts to the site of the Sea Empress spill cleanup in Wales. They will go as observers and to provide information learned during the Exxon Valdez spill response and restoration.

The two Alaskans will leave right away for Wales. They are DEC's John Bauer, previously a State of Alaska Shoreline Cleanup Manager for the Exxon Valdez response, and Dr. Robert Spies, Chief Scientist for the state-federal Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council. Travel expenses for the week-long trip will be paid by the British Coastguard Agency.

Governor Knowles said, "Alaskans know what those affected by the spill in Wales are going through, and we are pleased to be able to offer two of our most experienced professionals. Certainly they can provide some assistance, and will bring back valuable information for our programs here."

Mr. Bauer served as state shoreline cleanup manager during the Exxon Valdez response from 1989-1992, supervising all phases of field cleanup operations. He established a priority ranking system for cleanup, taking into account parks, refuges, sensitive areas, subsistence uses, archeological concerns and recreation users. His office reviewed shoreline cleanup workplans and evaluated the use and applicability of new technologies, including water washing, bioremediation, and mechanical tilling. He participated in all of the "how clean is clean" debates and developed criteria for appropriateness of cleanup and determined when cleanup criteria were met.

Dr. Spies has been the chief scientist of the Oil Spill Trustee Council since 1991 and scientific advisor since the spill in 1989. He is responsible for overall scientific integrity and technical content of the damage assessment and restoration programs following the oil spill. He advises the natural resource trustees and executive director on status of injured natural resources, recommends priorities for research, monitoring projects, and evaluates the results of work in progress. He is an expert in benthic ecology and effects of petroleum on marine organisms.

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the balance of the spill is on the shoreline. A significant portion of the shoreline ciling was on sandy beaches. Gross oil removal on the sandy beaches has been completed, with remaining contamination on a variety of beach types.

The Liberian tanker Sea Empress grounded on February 15 in Mill Bay at the entrance to Milford Haven, Wales, spilling an estimated 19 million gallons of crude, nearly twice the amount spilled by the Exxon Valdez in 1989.

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### By Fax to: 9-00-907-465-5244

Larry Dietrick Esq
Prevention and Emergency Response Program
Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation
State of Alaska
410 Willoughby
Juneau
ALASKA 99801

8 March, 1996

Dear Mr Dietrick

### VISIT TO THE MILEORD HAVEN OIL SPILL BY STATE OF ALASKA TECHNICAL EXPERTS

Thank you for your fax received today. The willingness of the State of Alaska to send State representatives is appreciated.

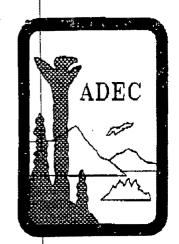
We would welcome the opportunity to brief on the current Milford Haven oil spill and clean-up operation and also to exchange experiences with your representatives involved with the EXXON VALDEZ. We anticipate that the visit should last for 2-3 days in order to provide for sufficient exchange of information, to view the shoreline clean-up operation and to arrange a final discussion at the end of the visit. The visit will be hosted by Commander John Bywater, the Director of the Coastguard Agency's Marine Pollution Control Unit who is based in the Coastguard Rescue Centre at Milford Haven. The principal contact however will be with the MPCU's Chief Scientist and Land Coordinator, David Bedborough. Both can be confacted via the following telephone number: (01646) -697852, Facsimile (01646) 698828.

If you could contact Commander Bywater on the telephone number above to let him know when John Bauer and Dr Robert Spies can be expected to arrive in the United Kingdom, the necessary programme for the visit and accommodation and other arrangements can be put in place.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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A J CHERRETT Head, Planning and Policy Division



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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

**Trustee Council Members** 

From:

Molly McCammon, Executive Director

Date:

March 8, 1996

Subj:

Chief Scientist Going to Wales as Observer

Following the Sea Empress oil spill in Wales on February 15, Governor Knowles offered the British Government the State of Alaska's assistance in responding to the spill.

The British government has now accepted that offer. As a result, the Council's Chief Scientist, Dr. Bob Spies, has been asked to visit the spill site in Wales along with Alaska Department of Conservation's John Bauer, a former state shoreline cleanup manager during the *Exxon Valdez* response.

Spies and Bauer will travel as observers to provide information learned during the *Exxon Valdez* spill response and restoration. Travel expenses for the week-long trip will be paid by the British Coastguard Agency.

Please contact me if you would like any more details on this.

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Molly McCammon

FROM:

Traci Cramer

Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 7, 1996

RE:

Quarterly Report for the period ending December 31, 1995

The attached quarterly reports are a summary of financial information submitted by the agencies for the period ending December 31, 1995. I have provided you with two copies. One copy to retain in the Restoration Office and the other copy to be used to make additional copies for the agencies. Normally I would make copies for NOAA and Forest Service in Juneau, but my copier is in need of toner.

In your copy I have flagged a number of pages. While I have included a brief statement as to why the pages were flagged, the following is a summary.

Flag(s)	Discussion
1/10/13	The agencies have the ability to transfer \$25,000 or 10%, which ever is less. One would assume that the transfer would be one-to-one. However, in the 1993 and 1992 Work Plans the transfers for the Department of the Interior's do not net to zero. I will continue to work with Bob Baldauf to resolve the problem.
1/5/5A/9	Both the Departments of Fish and Game and Environmental Conservation continue to reflect encumbrances against the 1994 and 1993 Work Plans. This issue was highlighted in the audit and the departments have been directed to either pay or liquidate the encumbrances. I will continue to work with the departments to get these cleaned up.
`2	The transfers reflected in the 1995 Work Plan for the Department of the Interior exceed the \$25,000 or 10% limitation. It does not

appear that additional funds are required, but Trustee Council action is required to ratify transfers of this magnitude.

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The Forest Service over-expended project 95259 "Restoration of Coghill Lake Sockeye Salmon Stocks". Since they have used all excess funds to cover other similar situations, Trustee Council action is required and new authorization must be provided.

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NOAA has a number of instances where the unobligated balance is reflected as negative. With the exception of 95163A "APEX: Forage Fish Assessment", the negatives can be fix under the \$25,000 or 10% limitation. With regards to 95163A, Trustee Council action is required to ratify transfers in excess of the \$25,000 or 10% limitation.

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Pages 6/7/8/10/11/12/13/14/15. As noted, these projects are reflected as negative. Those with the \* exceed the \$25,000 or 10% limitation. Unlike the 1995 Work Plan, we need to discuss how to proceed.

### General Comments

The Financial Operating Procedures require the agencies to report expenditure and obligations on a quarterly basis. However, the federal agencies continue to have difficulty with the concept of obligations. As a result, the issue of obligations will need to be addressed in the revised procedures.

No attempt has been made to tie the quarterly reports to the audit for 1995. When I return, I hope to have an opportunity to do so.

Talk to you on the 18th of March.

### Rebecca Williams

From:

Dietrick, Larry

To:

Kent, Lynn; EVRO; Hahn, Brad; Collazzi, Ed; French, Gennie; Ferguson, Jim;

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Subject:

Wales Update

Date:

Thursday, March 07, 1996 12:00AM

I spoke to Chris Harris at 1400. Mr. Harris is the Chief Executive of The Coastguard Agency in Southhampton. The Coastguard Agency is the federal agency overseeing the cleanup. He was the person designated by the British Consulate in San Franciso as the contact for coordinating participation in the response.

Mr. Harris reported the following:

- 70,000 tons spilled
- a large percentage evaporated due to it being a light crude
- a large amount was dispersed with dispersants
- little oil remains at sea at this time
- the balance is on the shoreline
- a significant portion of the shoreline oiling was on sandy beaches
- gross oil removal on the sandy beaches has been completed
- remaining contamination is on a variety of beach types
- they are now deciding how far to take the remaining shoreline cleanup effort
- the cleanup calls need to balance a variety of competing resource uses

Mr. Harris was not aware the British Consulate in San Francisco had advised they would pay for two technical experts from Alaska. He would be interested in the opinions of the Alaska experts and indicated they would be welcome and that the input would be valuable and of use should the state decide to pay the expenses. Mr. Harris indicated he would need to speak with the British Consulate in San Francisco regarding the funding issue.

It being 11:00 pm London time we agreed to communicating on this point tomorrow after he completes his consultation. In the meantime I will be faxing him the background information for Bob Spies and John Bauer for his information.

#### **GAMEPLAN**

Need to verify internally if the state will pay expenses IF funding from the British Consulate is not forthcoming. I expect to have a reply from Mr. Harris on funding tomorrow. The reply letter to Viscount Goschen will be modified to reflect the outcome and sent through for signing. Joe Ferguson will still coordinate any press releases.

Will continue to keep everyone updated in the interim.

Thanks and please call if you have any questions. Larry 465-5232

Thank you for your letter of 2? Feb offering assistance from the State of Alaska. I appreciate your concern and am grateful for your offer of assistance.

We know that as a result of the exxon valdez incident, you will have plenty of well-founded experts at your fingertips.

The clean-up efforts at Milford Haven is well underway. We have used, or are using, aerial dispersement spraying, oil recovery, protective booming and a variety of shore-line clean-up techniques?. We have already removed several?? of oil. We are also receiving good support from the oil industry. The "Joint Response Center" which is co-ordinating the shore-line clean-up brings together some?? Groups, including??,? and voluntary backup.

We have access to sufficient?, manpower and? to allow us to complete the clean-up operation. Some of the people involved in the operation have previous experience from the exxon valdez incident, so we are well equipped.

I would like to take up your offer of technical advice on the matter of resource restoration. We shall soon be considering how far to take up the cleanup process at most sites and the advise of your experts here, would be most welcome. It would be very helpful for one or two of your people to come over here in the capacity of observers. If this were acceptable perhaps contact could be made with Chris Harris chief executive of coat guard agency. The contact details are attached.

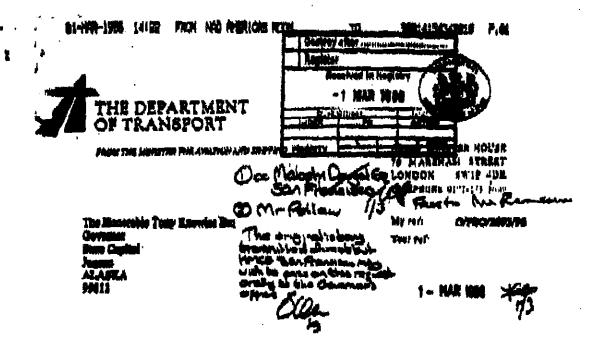
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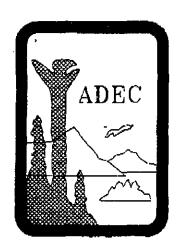
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TO: MOLLY Mc Canalow
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FROM: LARRY DIETRICK 465-5237
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# Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

Restoration Office 646 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, Alaska 99501-3451 Phone: (907) 276-9012 Pax: (907) 276-7178



March 4, 1996

Lynn Kent
Department of Environmental Conservation
410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 105
Juneau, AK 99801-1795

Door Lynn:

Attached is the information you requested regarding my recommendations for persons being able to provide technical advice regarding oil spill restoration. All three would be available to provide the assistance you described. It would probably be appropriate for the Governor to pass on their names, and then for them to talk by phone with folks directly in Wales to determine what particular expertise is most needed.

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Molly McClemmon Executive Director

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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### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

March 6, 1996

The Viscount Goshen
The Department of Transport
76 Marsham Street
London, England

Dear Viscount Goshen:

Thank you for your letter of March 1 regarding our offer of technical advice on the cleanup effort at Milford Haven. In response to your request, we have identified three people whose expertise may be useful to you in your resource restoration efforts. All three would be available to provide the assistance you described.

The individuals we have identified are: Stanley E. Senner, Science Coordinator for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council (EVOSTC); Dr. Robert B. Spies, Chief Scientist for EVOSTC; and Dr. Charles H. Peterson, Scientific Reviewer for EVOSTC and Professor of Marine Biology at the University of North Carolina. A brief description of their individual qualifications, including contact numbers and information, is enclosed. The most expedient means for further discussing their background or participation would be to contact these individuals directly by phone.

Good luck with your continuing efforts and if I can in any way be of further assistance please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Tony Knowles Governor

### **ENCLOSURE**

cc: Mr. C.J. Harris, Chief Executive, The Coastguard Agency

Stanley E. Sennor
Dr. Robert B. Spies
Dr. Charles H. Peterson

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# AUTOMATIC COVER SHEET

DATE: MAR- 6-96 WED 11:40

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Bob Baldauf

FROM:

Glaci Camer Traci Cramer

Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 6, 1996

RE:

Correction to Court Request #19

As you have pointed out, the resolution which accompanied the 19th Court Request contained an error on page 2. The SUBTOTAL TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA should have read \$3,270,900 and not \$3,268,000. However, the amount that was distributed to the United States appears accurate and additional funds are not required.

The Trustee Council approved:

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service U. S. Department of the Interior National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration	1,097,800 1,011,400 1,161,700
SUBTOTAL TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	3,270,900
LESS: Interest Earned	<u>-48,676</u>
Total Due the United States of America	3,222,22 <sup>±</sup> 4-

Thank you for bringing this error to my attention. If you have any questions, give me a call at (907) 586-7238.

The monies are to be distribute	d according to the following sche	dule:	
Alaska Department of Fish & G	ame	1,846,600	
Alaska Department of Natural F	desources	334,300	
Alaska Department of Environm	nental Conservation	50,200	
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SUBTOTAL TO UNITED ST	ATES OF AMERICA	3,268,000	-3,268,000
TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	2,231,100+3,270,900=	\$5,502,000	2,900

In accordance with the Financial Operating Procedures adopted by the Trustee Council, the amount of funds requested from the Joint Trust Fund is to be reduced by the amount of interest previously earned from settlement funds held by the Federal and State governments and any unobligated fund balances from previously approved budgets. Since the last disbursement from the Joint Trust Fund, the amount of interest earned is \$48,676 for the United States and \$262,202 for the State of Alaska. Accordingly, the amount to be withdrawn from the fund for interest earned will be reduced by \$310,878.

By unanimous consent, we hereby request the Attorney General of the State of Alaska and the Assistant Attorney General of the Environmental and Natural Resources Division of the United States Department of Justice to petition the United States District Court for the District of Alaska for withdrawal of the sum of \$5,191,122 from the Court Registry account established as a result of the governments' settlement with the Exxon companies. Of this amount \$3,222,224 shall go to the United States of America and \$1,968,898 shall go to the State of Alaska.

Attachment A

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Joe Sullivan

FROM:

Traci Cramer

Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 6, 1996

RE:

Disposal of Equipment

You have requested clarification regarding the disposal of equipment purchased with *Exxon Valdez* oil spill settlement (EVOS) funds. The existing Financial Operating Procedures approved by the Trustee Council September 14, 1992, state "Pending legal consultation, additional detailed provisions governing the use and disposal of such equipment will be forthcoming." The Trustee Council has made it clear that projects funded by the Council have priority use of any equipment purchased with EVOS funds, and that such equipment should be used to the maximum extent possible. However to the best of my knowledge, the disposal of equipment which has ceased to function or have value has not been specifically addressed.

It doesn't make sense to store equipment which has ceased to function or have value, so your agency should follow normal procedures to surplus the equipment. For equipment which is of no use to anyone, please provide a list of equipment surplussed to the Restoration Office. The list should include the identification number, a description of the item, and its current condition. If you have equipment which is no longer needed by the agency, but may be of use to someone else, please provide a list of said equipment prior to disposal. This list should also include the identification number, a description of the item, its current condition, and the physical location.

I hope this answers your questions. If you need further clarification or I can be of assistance, give me a call at 586-7238.

cc: Molly McCammon

Eric Myers

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March 4, 1996

Lynn Kent Department of Environmental Conservation 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 105 Juneau, AK 99801-1795

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Sincerely,

Molly M Common
Executive Director

### Stanley E. Senner Science Coordinator

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street, Suite 401 Anchorage, Alaska 99501

**Telephone** 907-278-8012 **Fax** 907-276-7178

### **Expertise**

Currently coordinates on-going restoration science program for state-federal *Exxon Valdez* Oil Trustee Council; former co-chair of restoration planning team for same (1990-92); familiar with all phases of restoration planning and implementation, including damage assessment, research and monitoring, habitat protection, public information and involvement, and program management. Greatest technical expertise is with birds, but broadly familiar with coastal and marine natural resources and ecosystems.

# Dr. Robert B. Spies Chief Scientist Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council and President Applied Marine Sciences, Inc. 2155 Los Positas Court, Suite S

Livermore, California 94550

**Telephone** 510-373-7142 **Fax** 510-373-7834

### Expertise

Chief Scientist for the state-federal Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council since 1991 and scientific advisor since the spill in 1989. Responsible for overall scientific integrity and technical content of the damage assessment and restoration programs following the oil spill. Advises Trustees and Executive Director on status of injured natural resources, recommends priorities for research, monitoring, and restoration projects, and evaluates the results of work in progress. Greatest technical expertise is in benthic ecology and effects of petroleum on marine organisms, but broadly familiar with coastal and marine natural resources and ecosystems.

### Dr. Charles H. Peterson Scientific Reviewer

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council and Professor of Marine Biology Institute of Marine Science University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Moorehead City, North Carolina 28557

**Telephone** 919-726-6841 **Fax** 919-726-2426

**Expertise**: Scientific reviewer for state-federal Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council since the spill in 1989. Advises Chief Scientist on scientific content of proposals for restoration projects, evaluates results of work in progress, and reviews project reports. Major experience with large-scale ecological research and long-term effects of environmental change. Greatest technical expertise in marine and intertidal ecology, but broadly familiar with marine and coastal natural resources and ecosystems.

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Nancy Slagle

FROM:

Staci Camer : Molly McCammon

**Executive Director** 

**DATE:** March 1, 1996

RE:

**Budget Amendment** 

At the request of the Alaska Legislature and on behalf of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council it is requested that authority to receive and expend *Exxon Valdez* oil spill settlement funds be included in the operating budget for State Fiscal Year 1997. Prior to this time, authority to receive and expend has been provided by the Legislative Budget and Audit (LB&A) Committee. Since the proposed budget for State Fiscal Year 1997 has already been submitted to the legislature, a budget amendment is requested.

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council annually approves a work plan based on a Fiscal Year of October 1 through September 30. Agencies that receive and expend Exxon Valdez oil spill settlement funds have prepared and submitted budget documentation for projects anticipated to be approved in the 1997 Work Plan. The amount requested was developed based on those projects approved by the Trustee Council in the 1996 Work Plan and expected to be approved in the 1997 Work Plan, together with incremental funding to support new projects, not yet identified. The incremental funding for new projects is budgeted in the Department of Fish and Game, Habitat and Restoration component.

The deadline for submittal of projects to be considered for funding in the 1997 Work Plan is April 15, with the Trustee Council taking action in late August. As such the proposed budget amendment represents the agencies' best guess as to what will approved. Once the Trustee Council approves the 1997 Work Plan, the Restoration Office will provide an analysis identifying any variance between what was approved in the budget and what was approved by the Trustee Council. This analysis will include an item by item discussion of any new projects that were not specifically identified in the budget.

It is requested that the budget amendment be written to address the unique nature of the restoration program and that the agencies be given the ability to respond to decisions of the Trustee Council. To that end, it is requested that the front section be amended by adding one appropriation, allocated to each of the affected agencies and that the Work Plan Fiscal Year (October 1 through September 30) be recognized.

The unique nature of the restoration program involves the type of funds, the requirement that the funds be managed as provided in the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree (MOA), and the process the Trustee Council uses to determine which projects to approve.

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Settlement Trust was established in AS 37.14.400. The trust is defined as natural resource damage recoveries entered into by the United States and the state in settlement of claims to money received for injury, loss, or destruction to the natural resources affected by the March 24, 1989, Exxon Valdez oil spill, and approved by the United States District Court on August 28, 1991. The Exxon Valdez oil spill settlement funds are held in trust in a separate account within the general fund.

The MOA contains four essential elements. First, the funds shall be used jointly by the Governments. Second, all decisions shall be made by unanimous agreement of the Trustees. Third, the use of the funds are specified in the MOA. Fourth, public participation is recognized in the MOA as an integral part of the agreement.

It is important to note that the Trustee Council uses the funds from the settlement for activities to restore injured resources and services. The Council does not manage fish and wildlife resources or manage land. Fish and game management decisions are made by fish and game boards, or by appropriate federal or state agencies. However, the Trustee Council may fund research to provide information to those agencies or other groups.

Projects approved by the Trustee Council are different from other projects normally funded in the operating budget. The annual work plan is built from specific projects which are aggregated to determine the total budget. Except for the fact that the work plan is operational in nature, this is similar to how the capital budget is developed. As a result, the agencies are required to account for each of the projects approved in the annual work plans individually.

In development of the annual work plan, the Trustee Council uses an adaptive management cycle. This approach recognizes that restoration is cyclical and that the restoration priorities and needs embody a long-term, ecosystem view that is continually updated as new information is acquired. Thus, the most current information is used to determine the needs of injured resources and services and the priorities for restoration. On the basis of those priorities, the Trustee Council annually invites proposals and ideas for restoration from government agencies, universities, private industry and the public.

Submissions undergo scientific, policy, and legal review. Following that review, a draft of the year's restoration program is distributed for public review. The Trustee Council uses information received from the public, scientists, and the Trustee's Public Advisory Group, and agency staff to decide which restoration projects to fund that year.

The legislature asked that projects anticipated to be funded by the Trustee Council be included in the operating budget. The budget amendment as proposed by the agencies mirrors what they think will be approved in the Trustee Council's 1997 Work Plan. If a decision is made to develop a hybrid of the approved 1996 Work Plan and the anticipated 1997 Work Plan, it will not only be confusing, but determining how the two relate will also be difficult. Authorization to receive and expend based on the Work Plan Fiscal Year will provide more complete information to the legislature and the public.

It should be recognized that the need to use the LB&A Committee to revise the authority to receive and expend *Exxon Valdez* oil spill settlement funds will continue. The magnitude of such revisions will depend on the degree of specificity contained in the appropriation bill, which has a direct impact on the ability of researchers and resource management agencies to respond to changes in restoration needs and the resulting decisions of the Trustee Council. In addition, depending on timing, we would still be using the LB&A Committee for possible capital expenditures.

Beginning in the proposed State Fiscal Year 1998 budget, authority to receive and expend *Exxon Valdez* oil spill settlement funds will be included in the proposal submitted to the legislature by the governor. I look forward to working with you to determine the informational requirements of that budget.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, give me a call at 278-8012 or Traci Cramer in our Juneau Office at 586-7238.

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### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM:

Molly MeCammon

Executive Wirector

RE:

Authorization -- Project 96255\Kenai River Sockeye Salmon Restoration

DATE:

March 1, 1996

The purpose of this memorandum is to approve expenditure of the funds authorized by the Trustee Council in December 1995 for Project 96255\Kenai River Sockeye Salmon Restoration. Funds must be spent in accordance with the Detailed Project Description and the follow-up letter from Lisa Seeb dated January 31, 1996. This authorization is granted notwithstanding the fact that Lisa's annual report on 94320D has not been submitted.

Prior to the December 1995 Trustee Council meeting a decision was made to withhold FY 96 project approval from Pls who had late reports. At that time, I agreed to a delayed submission date of December 15, 1995 for the annual report on 94320D, and the Trustees approved funds for Project 96255 accordingly. It is now my understanding that Lisa is seeking a further delay to April 15, 1996, and that the report submitted on April 15 will include results from both 94320D and 95320D. At this late date, I agree that this is a reasonable approach. However, I will remind you that April 15 is a firm deadline -- the FY 97 invitation clearly states that FY 97 proposals will not be reviewed for any PI who has an overdue report.

It is also my understanding that Lisa would like a manuscript that she is preparing for publication to serve as her annual report. You will recall that at our recent staff retreat we discussed allowing manuscripts to substitute in whole or in part for final reports. Stan Senner and Bob Spies have been discussing how this might work, and it will be a topic for discussion at the next Restoration Workforce meeting. Our objective is to develop a process that both will encourage Pls to publish and will ensure that a comprehensive, readable account of the work funded by the Trustee Council is available through OSPIC. We intend to have brief guidelines to Pls soon.

CC:

Bob Spies Traci Cramer

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM:

Molly McCananger

ExecutiveVDirector

RE:

Report Requirements -- Project 95191A/Investigating and Monitoring Oil Related

Egg and Alevin Mortalities

DATE:

March 1, 1996

I am writing in regard to Jim Seeb's intention, as stated in the December Quarterly Project Status Summary, to submit a series of manuscripts to journals in lieu of submitting an annual report for Project 95191A/Investigating and Monitoring Oil Related Egg and Alevin Mortalities.

You will recall that at our recent staff retreat we discussed allowing manuscripts to substitute in whole or in part for final reports. Stan Senner and Bob Spies have been discussing how this might work, and it will be a topic for discussion at the next Restoration Workforce meeting. Our objective is to develop a process that both will encourage PIs to publish and will ensure that a comprehensive, readable account of the work funded by the Trustee Council is available through OSPIC. We intend to have brief guidelines to PIs soon.

cc: Bob Spies

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March 1, 1996

Bobby Pearson LGL Alaska Research Associates 4175 Tudor Centre Drive, Suite 101 Anchorage, Alaska 99508

Dear Ms. Pearson:

An additional report has been finalized and is enclosed:

94255 Kenai River Sockeye Salmon Restoration

The additional reports you requested, listed below, have either not been finally approved by the Chief Scientist or are not yet available in final form. I will forward them to you as soon as they become available.

FS01 Spawning Area Injury
FS03 Coded Wire Tag Studies on Prince William Sound Salmon
94191 Oil Related Egg and Alevin Mortalities (ADF&G report)
94320D Pink Salmon Genetics

Give me a call if you have questions about this.

Sandra Schubert

Sincerely,

Sandra Schubert

Project Coordinator

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Joe Sullivan/ADF&G

FROM:

Molly McCamphon

Executive Director

RE:

Report Requirements -- Project 95163/Forage Fish (Diet Overlap)

DATE:

March 1, 1996

I am writing in response to your request for an extended due date of August 15, 1996 for Mark Willette's final report on Project 95163/Forage Fish.

Let me first say that we had not expected Mark to prepare a final report on this project, as the work is essentially being continued by Molly Sturdevant of NOAA as part of the APEX project. Mark received "interim" funds in FY 95 for sample analysis and report writing, and submitted an annual report in FY 95 as expected. We are expecting an annual report from Molly on April 15, 1996 covering the additional work done on this project in FY 95. However, we would be pleased to receive a final report from Mark, and have no objection to the August 15 date. (I am aware that this date relies on the timely hiring of technicians at the NMFS lab and a biometrician at ADF&G.)

We also would be pleased to have Mark submit a manuscript for publication. You will recall that at our recent staff retreat we discussed allowing manuscripts to substitute in whole or in part for final reports. Stan Senner and Bob Spies have been discussing how this might work, and it will be a topic for discussion at the next Restoration Workforce meeting. Our objective is to develop a process that both will encourage PIs to publish and will ensure that a comprehensive, readable account of the work funded by the Trustee Council is available through OSPIC. We intend to have brief guidelines to PIs soon.

I would also like to reiterate two points raised in the telephone discussions about Project 95163. It is my understanding (1) that the data collected under the project will continue to be available to the APEX project and (2) to the extent that she wants to be, Molly Sturdevant will be a co-author of the report/manuscript.

Please call Sandra Schubert of my staff if you wish to discuss any of these issues further.

cc:

Bill Hauser, ADF&G Mark Willette, ADF&G Bruce Wright, NOAA Molly Sturdevant, NOAA Bob Spies, Chief Scientist

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March 1, 1996

Bob Henrichs President, Traditional Council Native Village of Eyak P. O. Box 1388 Cordova, Alaska 99574-7739

### Dear Bob:

I got your letter asking how many Alaskan Natives have been employed through EVOS projects and am sorry I can't give you a very complete answer.

As I think you know, the settlement agreement between Exxon Corporation and the government set up the Trustee Council to approve the expenditure of settlement funds by the six Trustee agencies -- the Alaska departments of Fish and Game, Natural Resources, and Environmental Conservation and the U.S. Department of Interior, the U.S. Forest Service, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The state and federal agencies either spend the money themselves on implementing restoration projects, or they use various contracting mechanisms to get the money to other parties to implement restoration projects.

The Trustee Council itself does not have any rules regarding contracting or hiring. Rather, the Trustee agencies are required to follow existing state and federal laws. These laws generally require that contracts be competitively awarded, that job openings be publicly advertised, and that employers not discriminate on the basis of sex, color, race, national origin, and so on. For many state jobs, hiring is done off of "registers," which requires pre-application through the Alaska Department of Administration. Private organizations that contract with the Trustee agencies to implement EVOS projects generally have more flexibility in hiring than do the Trustee agencies.

The Trustee Council does not monitor who the agencies or their contractors hire to work on EVOS projects. However, I know of several projects that have hired local people.

- 96052 This is the project that has hired Martha Vlasoff to coordinate local involvement and integrate traditional knowledge in the EVOS process. This project also pays local facilitators in Cordova, Tatitlek, Chenega Bay, Valdez, Port Graham, Nanwalek, Seward, Kodiak, and the Alaska Peninsula.
- 96244 This project has hired technicians in Cordova, Tatitlek, Chenega Bay, Seldovia, Port Graham, and Nanwalek to collect biological samples from harbor seals for analysis by research scientists trying to understand the cause of the decline in harbor seals. It also

- provides funds to Monica Reidel, chair of the Alaska Native Harbor Seal Commission, to hold workshops for hunters and scientists to share information.
- 95131 This project is providing funds to the Qutekcak Shellfish Hatchery in Seward to raise littleneck clams, with the goal of eventually planting clamseed on several beaches near villages in Prince William Sound.
- 94090 This project paid a crew of 11 residents of Chenega Bay to clean 12 mussel beds in Prince William Sound.

You might also recall that, soon after the spill, the Oil Spill Health Task Force paid local residents to go out in their own boats and collect resource samples. This effort took place mostly around Chenega Bay and Tatitlek.

Bob, you know from your own experience with Project 96220 (Eastern Prince William Sound Wildstock Salmon Habitat Restoration) the difficulties the Trustee Council has in getting project funding directly to private proposers such as Eyak Native Village. These difficulties stem from existing state and federal laws that the Trustee agencies are required to follow. I have been working with the state to try to obtain a waiver for the Trustee Council so that we could grant money directly to private proposers, but so far have not been successful.

In the meantime, I hope that one result of the work being done this year by Martha Vlasoff, yourself, and the other local facilitators will be the involvement of many more Alaskan Natives in the restoration process. Putting together a list of who in your village is available to work, what their skills are, and what sorts of work they are willing to do will make it easier for EVOS principal investigators (PIs) to consider hiring local residents. In the Fiscal Year 97 project proposal instructions, the Trustee Council has asked PIs to explain whether they intend to hire locally, among other things. One task for Martha and the local facilitators will be to review the project proposals as they come in and look for opportunities for local residents to be involved. (FY 97 proposals are due April 15, 1996.)

I would also encourage you to contact the Prince William Sound Science Center in Cordova about employment opportunities, as several EVOS PIs are based out of the Science Center. Each PI generally does his or her own hiring, but Nancy Byrd who is the Vice President may also be a good contact for you.

I share your concerns about local involvement and local hire, Bob, and hope to see more progress in that direction in the near future. Thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

cc:

Molly McCammon Executive Director

Senator Georgianna Lincoln Representative Gene Kubina

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Nancy Slagle, Director

Division of Budget Review

Office of Management and Budget

FROM:

Molly-MaGammon

Executive Director

DATE:

March 1, 1996

SUBJ:

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Amendment to CSHB 468(FIN)am

This is a request to submit to the Senate Finance Committee an amendment to CSHB 468(FIN)am on behalf of the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council. This amendment would give the Department of Natural Resources the authority to receive and expend \$6,670,500 from the Exxon Valdez oil spill settlement trust funds to purchase 691.9 acres of surface estate from the owners of the eight small parcels listed in Table 1. Two of these parcels are in the Prince William Sound region and six are on the Kenai Peninsula.

Table 1. Summary of Small Parcels to be Purchased

Parcel ID	Description	Location	Acres	Value
PWS 17&17A-D	Ellamar Subdivision	Tatitlek	33.4	\$655,500
PWS 52	Hayward Parcel	Valdez	9.5	\$150,000
KEN 10	Kobylarz Subdivision	Kenai River	20.0	\$320,000
KEN 19	Coal Creek Moorage	Kasilof River Flats	53.0	\$260,000
KEN 29	Tulin Parcel	Homer	220.0	\$1,200,000
KEN 34	Cone Parcel	Kenai River	100.0	\$600,000
KEN 148	River Ranch	Kenai River	146.0	\$1,650,000
KEN 1006	Girves Parcel	Kenai River	<u>110</u> .0	\$1,835,000
		•	691.9	\$6,670,500

We are asking for this authorization to be included in the supplemental appropriations bill rather than the capital budget because of timing. These transactions need to be closed as soon as possible. In most cases, the sellers offered their parcels over a year ago and the Trustee Council had extensive public deliberations before the decision to acquire them. The Council made its decision to acquire these parcels in November 1995. Most of the sellers expected the transactions to close within about 60 days and have made financial commitments on that basis. The Coal Creek Moorage parcel is currently the subject of a bank foreclosure proceeding. If the transaction is not completed soon, the foreclosure will proceed and the owners will lose the proceeds from the sale. One of the Ellamar Subdivision parcel owners has procured options to purchase inholdings within the subdivision. These options will expire unless the sale is completed soon. The Tulins have already purchased certain mineral rights that were needed for the State to acquire their parcel.

If the supplemental bill does not move from the Senate in a timely fashion, we may ask that this request be considered as an RPL by the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in order to expedite its consideration.

These parcels of land were evaluated as part of the Trustee Council's *Comprehensive Habitat Protection Process: Small Parcel Evaluation and Ranking* (July 15, 1995). Two of the parcels recommended for acquisition rank high, four rank moderate, and two have been designated "Parcels Meriting Special Consideration (PMSC)," that is, parcels that have unique or other outstanding values that transcend the parcels' scores.

<u>Ellamar Subdivision</u> is on Virgin Bay, about two miles north of Tatitlek in Prince William Sound. Public ownership of undeveloped waterfront lots within this subdivision will protect habitat for pink salmon, Pacific herring, intertidal/subtidal organisms, sea otters, and recreation/tourism by preventing further construction on these parcels. Acquisition will also ensure public access to the uplands for camping and preserve the option to enhance public recreational opportunities.

<u>Hayward Parcel</u> is adjacent to the Valdez Duck Flats. The parcel contains three gravel pads that extend out onto the Duck Flats. Public ownership of this parcel will protect habitat for intertidal and subtidal organisms, harbor seals, and sea otters by preventing further development of the site. Acquisition will also create an opportunity to return the site to its natural condition by removing the three gravel pads that are on the site.

Kobylarz Subdivision has about 1100 feet of riverbank frontage on Big Eddy at Mile 14 of the Kenai River. The Big Eddy fishing hole is one of the most popular fishing areas on the Kenai River. The Kobylarz Subdivision consists of a large wetland and springfed slough bordered by a bluff to the north, partially submerged woods, and the Kenai mainstem. Public ownership of this parcel will protect habitat for pink salmon, Dolly

Varden, and recreation/tourism by preventing the loss of wetlands to development. Acquisition will also create an opportunity for public agencies to manage use of the streambanks to minimize habitat degradation.

<u>Coal Creek Moorage</u> is part of the Kasilof River Flats. Public ownership of this parcel will protect fish habitat and intertidal habitat by preventing the filling of wetlands that would result from construction; enable agencies to better protect cultural resources and to manage use of the streambanks to minimize habitat degradation; and preserve opportunities for the public to continue using the area. Acquisition will also preserve the option to enhance public recreational opportunities. The Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association uses Coal Creek as a release site for sockeye salmon smolts, which contribute to the overall Cook Inlet commercial fishery. Support for acquisition of this parcel was expressed by the Kenai Peninsula Borough (Resolution 93-104) and Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association.

<u>Tulin Parcel</u> lies between the Sterling Highway and Cook Inlet. The adjacent property to the south is a large tract of state-owned land that does not have road access to the Sterling Highway. The parcel is dominated by a mixed spruce and birch forest association. Public ownership of this parcel will protect bald eagle habitat and preserve recreational opportunities by preventing further development of the subdivision on the parcel. Acquisition would also create the opportunity to enhance recreational opportunities through, for example, improving and maintaining the road for access to the beach. Support for acquisition of this parcel was expressed by Kachemak Bay State Park Citizens Advisory Board (Resolution 95-3).

Cone Parcel is near the mouth of the Kenai River in an area known as the Kenai River Flats. Public ownership of this parcel will protect fish habitat, intertidal habitat, and the recreational values associated with the fish and wildlife on this parcel by preventing development on this parcel. Furthermore, at one time the City of Kenai proposed to rezone 500 acres of adjacent city-owned wetlands from a Rural Residential classification to Conservation, if the *Exxon Valdez* Trustee Council acquired subject property.

River Ranch is near Mile 32 on the Kenai River. It is one of the larger privately owned properties on the river, developed primarily as a horse and cattle ranch. Riparian vegetation along portions of the Kenai River has been manually cleared or trampled by livestock. Public ownership of the parcel will protect habitat for pink salmon, Dolly Varden, and recreation/tourism by foreclosing the possibility that the parcel will be more intensively developed. Removal of livestock will further protect fish habitat by allowing the reestablishment of riparian vegetation. Acquisition will allow public agencies to manage public access, thereby minimizing associated bank damage, and also to enhance recreational opportunities.

<u>Girves Parcel</u> is located near Mile 19 of the Kenai River just outside the city of Soldotna. It is across from Centennial Campground and Slikok Creek State Recreation Area. Public ownership of the parcel will protect fish habitat by allowing public agencies to manage public use of the streambanks. Acquisition will also enhance recreation by providing additional public land for fishing and other recreational uses. Appropriate action would be taken to protect or restore streambank vegetation that is important fish habitat.

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources will manage these parcels with protection of fish and wildlife habitat and populations as the highest management priorities. Under the terms of the purchase agreements, public use of these lands must be allowed and must include sport, personal use, and subsistence hunting, fishing, trapping, and recreational uses, consistent with public safety and permitted under law or regulations of the Board of Fisheries and Board of Game.

I have included Restoration Benefits Reports and maps of each parcel. If you have any questions about this request, please contact me at 278-8012.

Attachments (2)

cc(w/attachments): Senator Rick Halford

Senator Steve Frank

### SUGGESTED AMENDMENT LANGUAGE

The sum of \$6,670,500 is appropriated from *Exxon Valdez* oil spill settlement funds to the Department of Natural Resources to purchase the following parcels in the amounts stated:

### **PURPOSE**

Ellamar Subdivision (PWS 17 & 17A-D)	\$655,500
Hayward Parcel (PWS 52)	\$150,000
Kobylarz Subdivision (KEN 10)	\$320,000
Coal Creek Moorage (KEN 19)	\$260,000
Tulin Parcel (KEN 29)	\$1,200,000
Cone Parcel (KEN 34)	\$600,000
River Ranch (KEN 148)	\$1,650,000
Girves Parcel (KEN 1006)	\$1,835,000

# Restoration Benefits Reports

This section describes the eight small parcels which the state would like to purchase. Descriptions include a map of the parcel, and text describing the parcel's acreage, rank, agency sponsor, appraised value, owner, general location, restoration benefits, potential threats, proposed management, and public comment. Parcel identification numbers are prefaced with an abbreviation for the region — PWS for Prince William Sound and KEN for Kenai Peninsula.

**Acreage.** Parcels range from 9.5 to 220 acres in size.

Rank. The Habitat Work Group evaluates, scores, and ranks parcels that comply with threshold criteria. The evaluation process takes into account the resource value of the parcel, adverse impacts from human activity, and potential benefits to management of public lands. Two of the parcels recommended for acquisition rank high, four rank moderate, and two have been designated "Parcels Meriting Special Consideration (PMSC)." A PMSC is a parcel that has unique or other outstanding values that transcend the parcel's score.

**Sponsor.** Two state agencies sponsored small parcels: the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG) and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR).

**Appraised value.** The parcel description indicates the appraised fair market value as well as a brief description of the highest and best use of the parcel. The appraised value is based on acquisition of fee simple interest in the parcel.

**Owner.** Current owner of the surface estate.

**Location.** General location of the property.

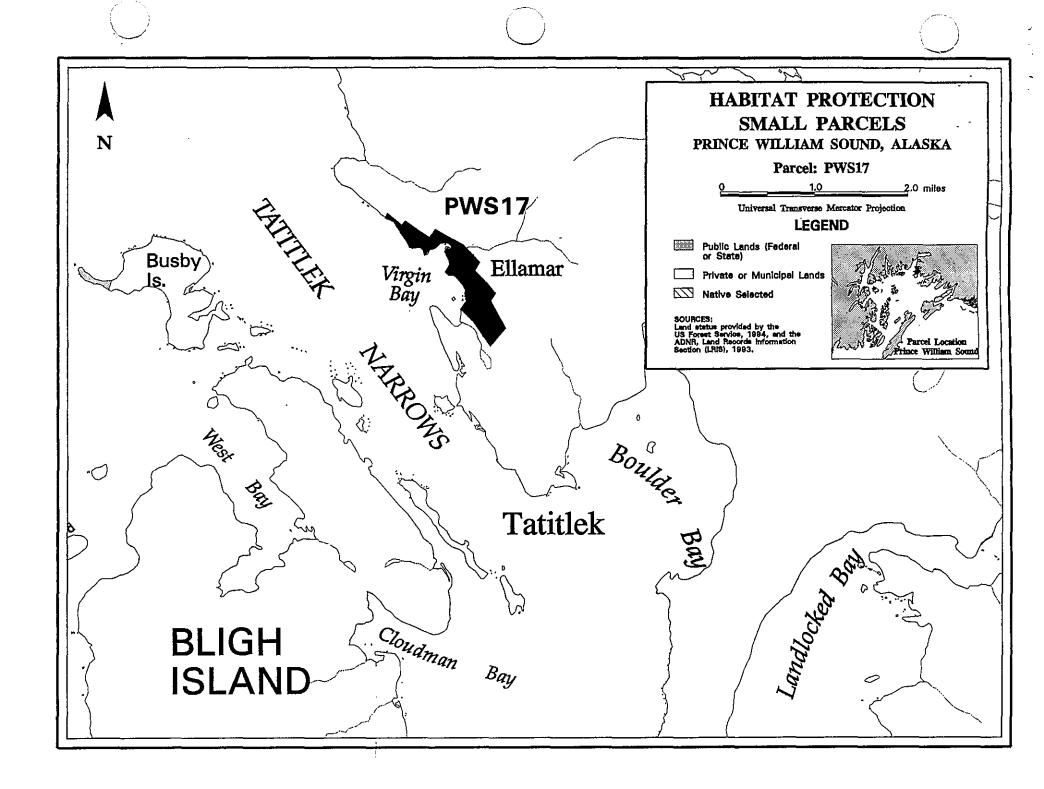
**Parcel Description.** Description of such factors as the dimensions of the property, road access, land use, ocean or river frontage, and structures that may exist on the parcel.

**Restoration Benefits.** This section describes how acquisition of the parcel will benefit the restoration of resources and services injured in the spill.

**Potential Threats.** Potential activities on the parcel that could threaten recovery of injured resources and services.

**Proposed Management.** A description of how the sponsor agency would manage the parcel.

**Public Comment.** A brief summary of public comments received on the parcel.



### PWS 17 and 17A-D: Ellamar Subdivision

Acreage: 33.4 Rank: Moderate Sponsor: ADNR Appraised Value: \$655,500

Owners: Ellamar Properties, Inc. (Parcels 17 and 17A), Joe Pavek (Parcel 17B), Kay Haneline (Parcel 17C),

and Francis Hunt, Jr. (Parcel 17D)

Location: Block 10, Lots 1, 2, 3, 5-11, 12 and 30 and USMS 556A, Ellamar Subdivision, 2 miles north of

Tatitlek

Parcel Description. These five parcels are on Virgin Bay, about two miles north of Tatitlek. The area is mostly flat, well forested, protected by Bligh and Busby Islands to the west and surrounded by mountains to the east. Ellamar Subdivision has 157 lots, 42 of which have been sold. Acquisition efforts have focused on lots surrounding Virgin Bay. These lots have not been impacted by development activities and will provide a viable protection unit encompassing the mouth of Gladhaugh Creek and a large intertidal area.

Restoration Benefits. Public ownership of these parcels will protect habitat for pink salmon, Pacific herring, intertidal/subtidal organisms, sea otters, and recreation/tourism by preventing further construction on these parcels. Acquisition will also ensure public access to the uplands and preserve the option to enhance public recreational opportunities, for example, by installing mooring buoys or similar facilities.

Key habitat and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

- Pink salmon. Gladhaugh Creek, a pink salmon stream, bisects part of the parcel.
- Herring, intertidal/subtidal organisms, and sea otters. Virgin Bay supports heavy spawning
  concentrations of Pacific herring and is a documented concentrated sea otter pupping area.
- Recreation/tourism. Recreational improvements in the immediate vicinity include subdivision roads, a boathouse and dock. Virgin Bay also provides a protected anchorage.

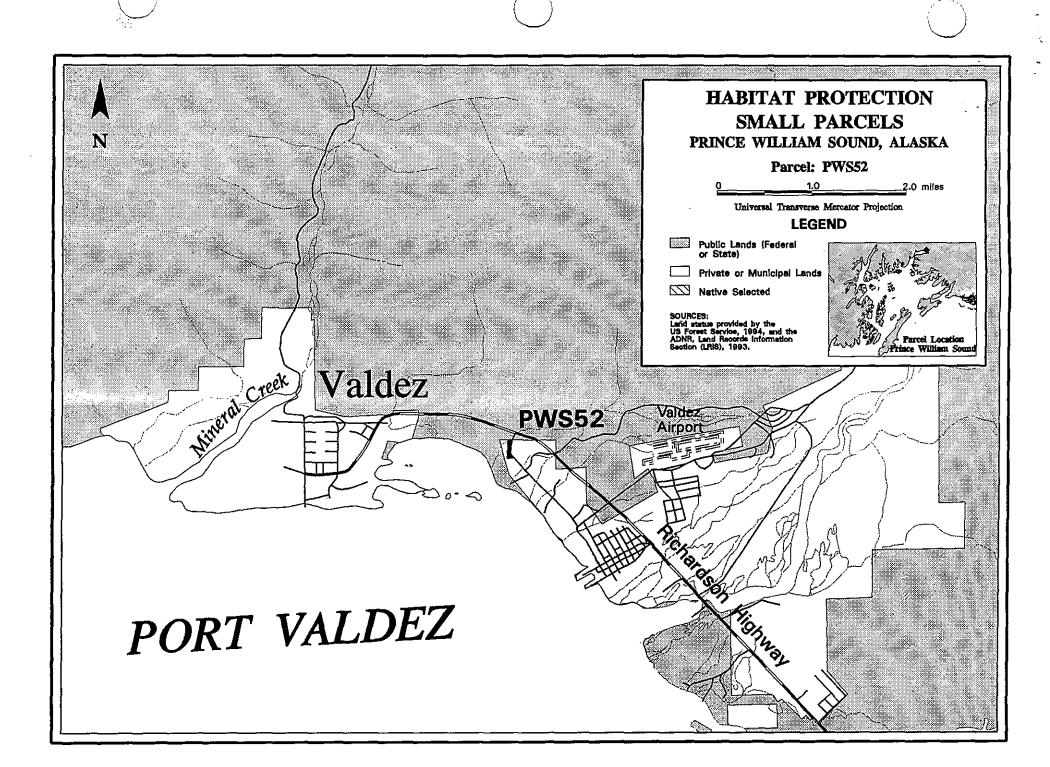
These parcels have potential for enhancement of recreational opportunities in Prince William Sound. Ellamar is approximately 25 miles from Valdez by boat. The area would make a good destination and rest stop for recreational boaters entering Prince William Sound from Valdez. Virgin Bay provides a protected anchorage, and installation of mooring buoys or a public boat launch could improve safety for small boat operators.

**Potential Threats.** Ellamar Subdivision is partially developed. Subdivision roads have been constructed. Further construction in the subdivision could threaten injured resources and services. Potential impacts include elevated levels of disturbance, localized pollution, and possible habitat loss from erosion and sedimentation.

Appraised Value. The appraised value of the 22-acre Parcel 17 is \$310,000. The highest and best use of this property is recreational, residential, or commercial lodge type development. The appraised value of Parcels 17A-D are \$26,500, \$40,000, \$29,000 and \$250,000. The highest and best use of these smaller parcels is considered to be single family residential, residential cabins, or small lodge development.

**Proposed Management.** These parcels will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The land will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** The Public Advisory Group noted that residents of Tatitlek use Virgin Bay for subsistence, and recommended that negotiators try to protect previously sold parcels to reduce the number of private inholdings that would remain in the lands acquired. One individual expressed support for acquisition of the land because of the area's exceptional scenery, recreational opportunities, wildlife values, and cultural history.



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### **PWS 52: Hayward Parcel**

Acreage: 9.5 Rank: Moderate Sponsor: ADFG Appraised Value: \$150,000

Owner: Philip L. Hayward

Location: Zook Subdivision, near intersection of Richardson Highway and Mineral Loop Road, adjacent to

Valdez Duck Flats

**Parcel Description.** This parcel is located near the intersection of the Richardson Highway and Mineral Loop Road. It is adjacent to the Valdez Duck Flats. The parcel contains three gravel pads that extend out onto the Duck Flats. The parcel has few additional improvements other than a shed and trailer.

Restoration Benefits. Public ownership of this parcel will protect habitat for intertidal and subtidal organisms, harbor seals, and sea otters by preventing further development of the site. Acquisition will also create an opportunity to return the site to its natural condition by removing the three gravel pads that are on the site. This relatively low-cost improvement would allow periodic flooding of this part of the Duck Flats and the reestablishment of native vegetation.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

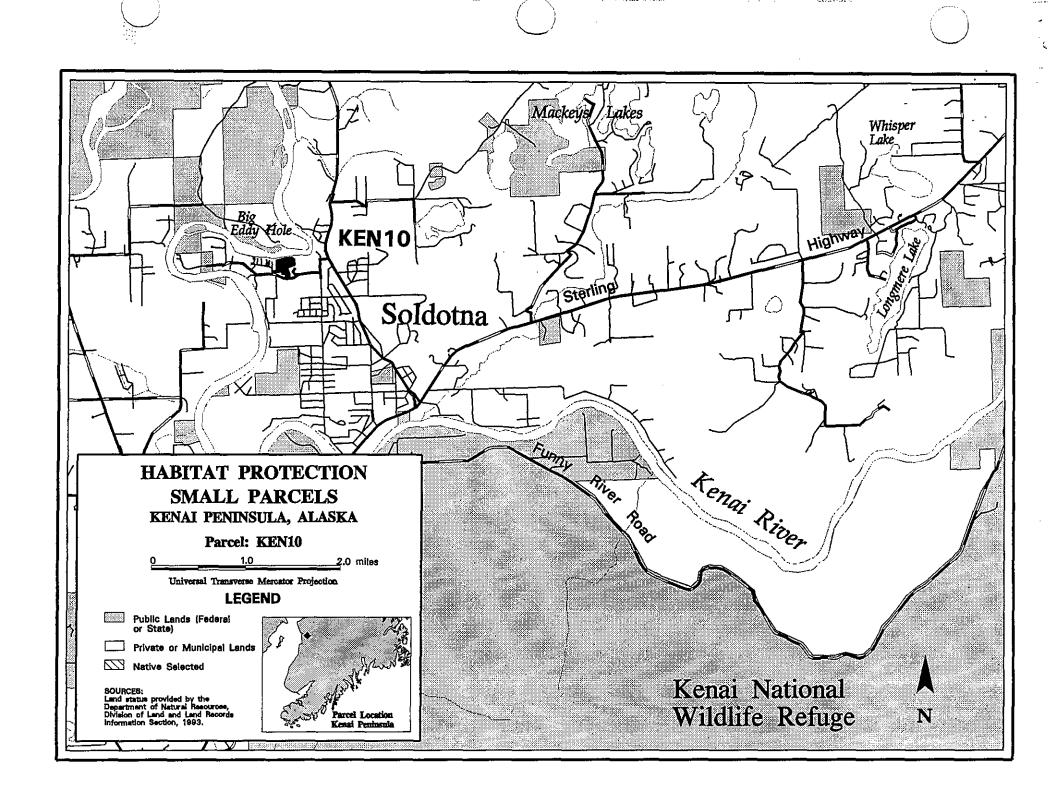
- Intertidal/subtidal organisms. The Valdez Duck Flats are a large and unique complex of intertidal mud flats and salt marsh covering approximately 1000 acres. The flats are flooded regularly by incoming tides that mix with seven freshwater streams creating a productive estuary environment. Millions of salmon fry from these streams and the nearby Solomon Gulch hatchery feed and rear throughout the Duck Flats, assisted by the counter-clockwise currents that flow through Port Valdez.
- Harbor seals and sea otters also forage throughout the area for mussels and clams.
- The Duck Flats also provide nesting, molting and staging habitat for 52 species of marine birds, eight species of waterfowl, 18 species of shorebirds and numerous other passerines and raptors.

**Potential Threats.** This parcel has significant development potential. It is on a major road system and has three gravel pads that could easily accommodate trailers or other structures. The gravel pads interfere with the periodic flooding that is essential for maintaining the Duck Flats, and displace native vegetation. Further development of the parcel as, for example, an RV park or a commercial operation, could add to the pollution from development around the perimeter of the flats, which is already affecting the Valdez Duck Flats.

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of this parcel is \$150,000. This parcel is zoned Commercial-Residential. Therefore, the highest and best use would be development of an apartment complex, single family home, or commercial/industrial project utilizing the existing gravel pads for access and parking.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat Land."

**Public Comment.** A member of the Public Advisory Group, who is also a resident of Valdez, supported acquisition of the Hayward parcel because he believed it to be the only piece of private land on the north end of the flats and its acquisition would keep that part of the flats as they are and provide an opportunity to clean up the gravel pads. The owner of a kayaking company in Valdez supported acquisition of this parcel because of the exceptional habitat values of the Valdez Duck Flats and concern about the possibility that an RV park may be constructed on the site.



### **KEN 10: Kobylarz Subdivision**

Acreage: 20 Rank: Moderate Sponsor: ADFG/ADNR Appraised Value: \$320,000

Owner: Elizabeth Kobylarz

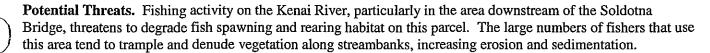
Location: Mile 14 of the Kenai River

**Parcel Description.** This parcel has about 1100 feet of riverbank frontage on Big Eddy at Mile 14 of the Kenai River. The Big Eddy fishing hole is one of the most popular fishing areas on the Kenai River. The Kobylarz Subdivision consists of a large wetland and spring-fed slough bordered by a bluff to the north, partially submerged woods, and the Kenai mainstem.

Restoration Benefits. Public ownership of this parcel will protect habitat for pink salmon, Dolly Varden, and recreation/tourism by preventing the loss of wetlands to development. Acquisition will also create an opportunity for public agencies to manage use of the streambanks to minimize habitat degradation.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

- Pink salmon and Dolly Varden spawn in the river adjacent to the property. The slough provides excellent rearing and overwintering habitat for Dolly Varden, chinook and coho salmon.
- Sockeye salmon migrate and rear along the banks of the Kenai River.
- Recreation/Tourism. Recreation use of the Kenai River depends on fisheries resources that were injured in the spill, particularly sockeye salmon and Dolly Varden. The parcel receives a high level of trespass use by fishermen to gain access to the Big Eddy fishing hole. Boats also drop people off onshore to fish from the riverbank.

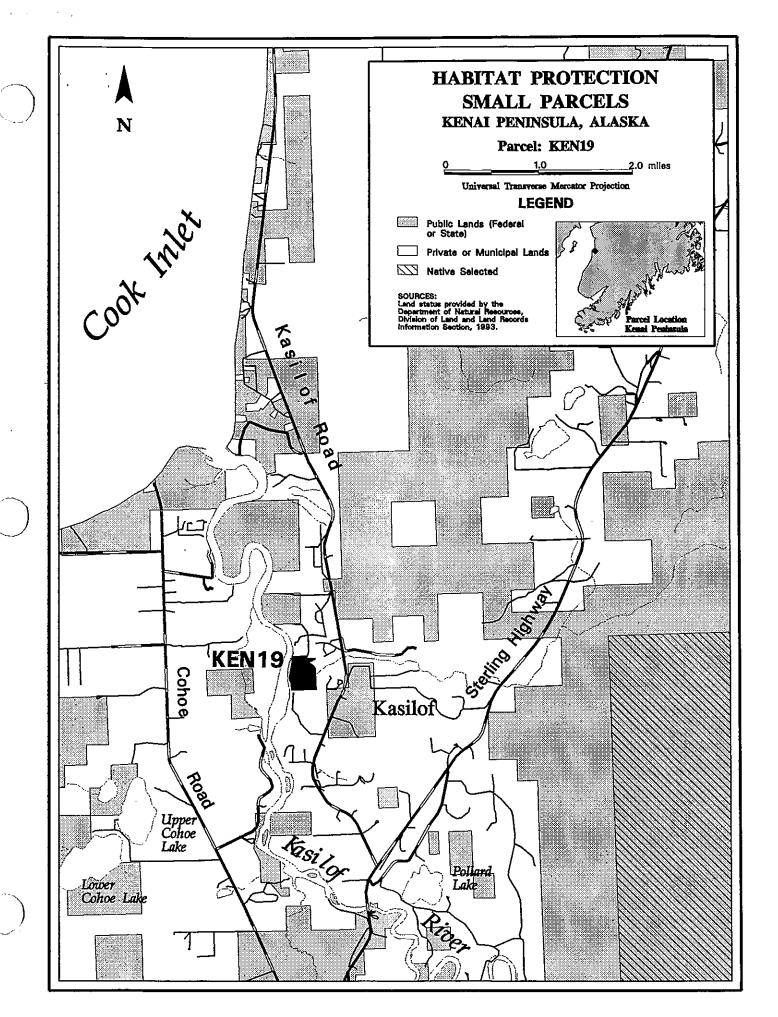


In 1979, the owners of this parcel applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a Section 404 permit to place 9,300 cubic yards of fill in the wetlands adjacent to the Kenai River. This development would have eliminated 4.3 acres of wetlands. In its comments on the application, the U.S. Department of the Interior stated, "We view these wetlands as particularly significant because of their proximity to the river where they serve as a final filtering system for upland runoff and an important source of nutrients and material which are essential to the welfare of the river's fishery resource."

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of this parcel is \$320,000. The parcel is located in a predominantly rural residential area and is improved with boardwalk, road, well, septic, and wood frame shelter. The highest and best use is determined to be interim use as an RV park with speculative holding for long-term subdivision development.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** The Restoration Office has received no written comments from the public regarding this parcel.



### **KEN 19: Coal Creek Moorage**

Acreage: 53 Rank: High Sponsor: ADFG/ADNR Appraised Value: \$260,000

Owner: Linda McLane

Location: Kasilof River Flats at confluence of Coal Creek and Kasilof River

**Parcel Description.** This parcel is located at the confluence of Coal Creek and the Kasilof River. It is part of the Kasilof River Flats.

**Restoration Benefits.** Public ownership of this parcel will protect fish habitat and intertidal habitat by preventing the filling of wetlands that would result from construction; enable agencies to better protect cultural resources and to manage use of the streambanks to minimize habitat degradation; and preserve opportunities for the public to continue using the area. Acquisition will also preserve the option to enhance public recreational opportunities.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

- Pink salmon and Dolly Varden spawn in the river adjacent to the property. The Kasilof River Flats provide excellent rearing and overwintering habitat for Dolly Varden.
- Sockeye salmon. The Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association (CIAA) uses Coal Creek as a release site for sockeye salmon smolts, which contribute to the overall Cook Inlet commercial fishery.
- Intertidal/subtidal organisms. The parcel contains an extensive tidal marsh, which support various fish, birds and mammals.
- Archaeological resources. There is evidence of early Russian structures with features indicating this may be the site of the first Russian settlement in southcentral Alaska. There are also numerous barabaras (remnant house pits), fish pits, and two abandoned historic fox farming pens.
- Recreation/tourism. The parcel supports recreational use by fishers, birdwatchers and hikers.
- The parcel also supports a variety of other fish and wildlife, such as chinook and coho salmon; steelhead
  and rainbow trout; Canada, Tule and lesser snow geese; Sandhill cranes; and numerous other waterfowl
  and shorebirds. Coal Creek is an important wildlife movement corridor for black bear and moose that
  travel between adjacent upland areas and the Kasilof River Flats.

**Potential Threats.** The parcel's owners have attempted to develop a subdivision and access road that would entail filling wetlands. The landowners also have proposed installing a culvert on Coal Creek.

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of this parcel is \$260,000. The parcel contains four lots which can be marketed independently. The highest and best use is development and sale of individual residential lots.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** Support for acquisition of this parcel was expressed by the Kenai Peninsula Borough (Resolution 93-104) and Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association.

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### **KEN 29: Tulin Parcel**

Acreage: 220 Rank: PMSC Sponsor: ADNR Appraised Value: \$1,200,000

Owner: Charles E. and Helen L. Tulin

Location: Between the Sterling Highway and Cook Inlet

Parcel Description. This parcel runs for approximately 1.4 miles from the Sterling Highway west to Cook Inlet where it fronts the shoreline for 3,580 feet. Most of the rest of the parcel averages about ¼ mile in length. This parcel contains and runs parallel to Diamond Creek, which is not an anadromous stream. The adjacent property to the south is a large tract of state-owned land that does not have road access to the Sterling Highway. The parcel is dominated by a mixed spruce and birch forest association

**Restoration Benefits.** Public ownership of this parcel will protect bald eagle habitat and preserve recreational opportunities by preventing further development of the subdivision on the parcel. Acquisition would also create the opportunity to enhance recreational opportunities through, for example, improving and maintaining the road for access to the beach.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

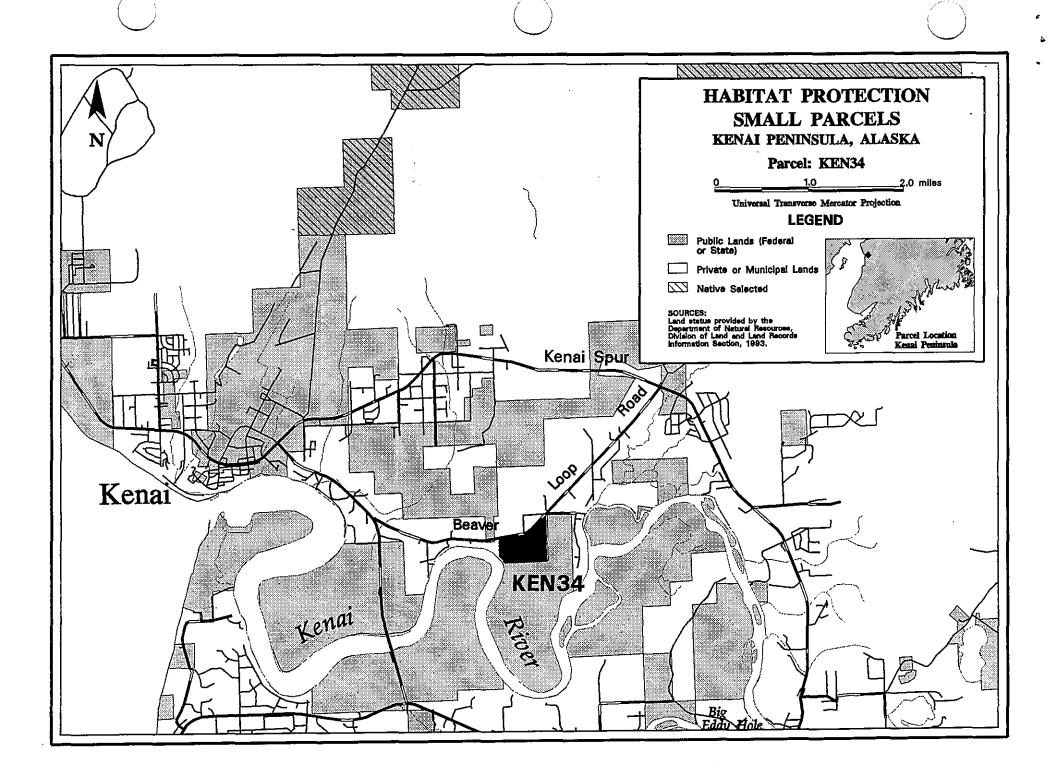
- Bald eagles nest on the parcel.
- Recreation/tourism. This parcel also offers exceptional opportunities to enhance recreation. The large, wooded parcel situated on the bluff overlooking Cook Inlet would make an excellent public campground. The road would provide strategic public access to a large section of beach that is currently inaccessible. The site has spectacular views of Cook Inlet and Kachemak Bay; potable water would probably be available from on-site wells; and a small boat launching facility could probably be built on the beach.

**Potential Threats.** The parcel is already subdivided and has potential for residential and commercial use. However, the only development on the parcel is an unpaved road that runs from the Sterling Highway down the bluff, and on to the beach.

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of this parcel is \$1.2 million. The parcel is developed as a subdivision with 44 lots and 2 tracts. The lots are suitable for residential and commercial use. The highest and best use of this parcel is as developed.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** Support for acquisition of this parcel was expressed by Kachemak Bay State Park Citizens Advisory Board (Resolution 95-3) and a Homer resident whose support was contingent on turning the parcel into a campground. Two individuals opposed acquisition of this parcel. One opponent said that the road along Diamond Creek would be difficult to maintain, making road access to the beach unreliable. A member of the Public Advisory Group suggested that agencies explore a trail easement to connect the two parcels of public land separated by the Tulin parcel and consider, in the negotiations with the landowner, the tax benefits that would accrue from the donation of land.



### **KEN 34: Cone Parcel**

Acreage:

100 Rank: High

Sponsor: ADFG/ADNR

Appraised Value: \$600,000

Owner:

Chester Cone

**Location:** Kenai River Flats south of Beaver Loop Road

**Parcel Description.** This parcel is located near the mouth of the Kenai River in an area known as the Kenai River Flats.

Restoration Benefits. Public ownership of this parcel will protect fish habitat, intertidal habitat, and the recreational values associated with the fish and wildlife on this parcel by preventing development on this parcel. Furthermore, at one time the City of Kenai proposed to rezone 500 acres of adjacent city-owned wetlands from a Rural Residential classification to Conservation, if the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council acquired subject property.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

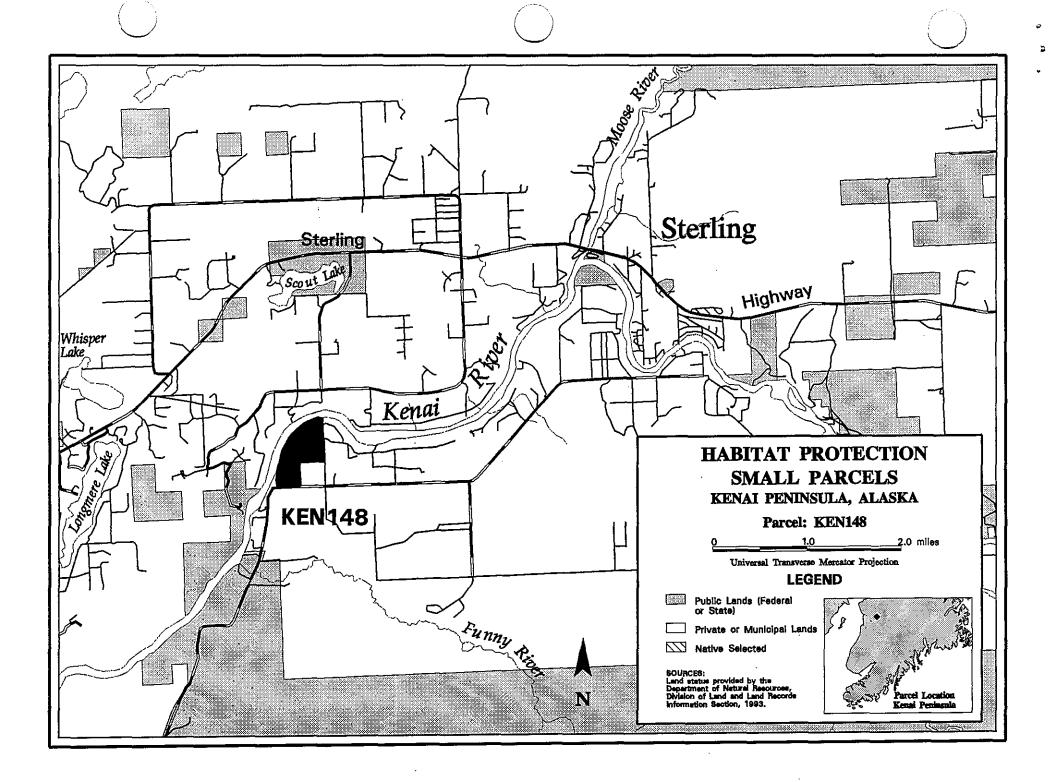
- Intertidal/subtidal organisms. The property receives a high intertidal score because of the extensive tidal
  marsh that exists on-site. The marsh and surrounding uplands are a mixture of bog meadow, grass, sedge,
  rose shrubs and spruce. Tidal marshes are considered unique in this evaluation because of their limited
  distribution and high productivity.
- Pink salmon and Dolly Varden. Estuarine wetlands such as those on the subject property are used by salmon smolt for cover and feeding prior to their outmigration to Cook Inlet. They also provide cover and rearing habitat for Dolly Varden.
- Sockeye salmon migrate and rear along the banks of the Kenai River.
- Recreation/tourism. High levels of recreational use are associated with the fish and wildlife values on this parcel.
- The Kenai River Flats also provide important habitat for a variety of other fish and wildlife. Hundreds of
  thousands of waterfowl, shorebirds and raptors use the area for nesting, feeding and staging; and eighteen
  species of fish have been documented in this lower reach of the river. The Kenai Lowlands Caribou Herd
  uses the area for calving and summer range.

**Potential Threats.** The parcel is situated on a popular drift fishing zone in the lower Kenai River. The landowner has attempted to develop the property for some years, most recently to construct a public boat launching facility, access road and parking area. So far, enabling permits have been denied.

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of this parcel is \$600,000. The parcel is vacant land zoned residential for one to four family dwellings. Wetlands on the subject property have hindered development permitting in the past. Indications are that wetlands requirements may be relaxed. Therefore, future phased residential subdivision development is the highest and best use.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** The City of Kenai Planning and Zoning Commission supports acquisition of this parcel.



### **KEN 148: River Ranch**

Acreage: 146 Rank: Moderate Sponsor: ADFG/ADNR Appraised Value: \$1,650,000

Owner: Steve Anderson, Walt Hanni, Erv Terry

**Location:** Mile 32 of the Kenai River

**Parcel Description.** This parcel is located near Mile 32 on the Kenai River. It is one of the larger privately owned properties on the river, developed primarily as a horse and cattle ranch. Topography is generally flat and native vegetation has been cleared for hay fields. Riparian vegetation along portions of the Kenai River has been manually cleared or trampled by livestock.

Restoration Benefits. Public ownership of the parcel will protect habitat for pink salmon, Dolly Varden, and recreation/tourism by foreclosing the possibility that the parcel will be more intensively developed. Removal of livestock will further protect fish habitat by allowing the reestablishment of riparian vegetation. Acquisition will allow public agencies to manage public access, thereby minimizing associated bank damage, and also to enhance recreational opportunities.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

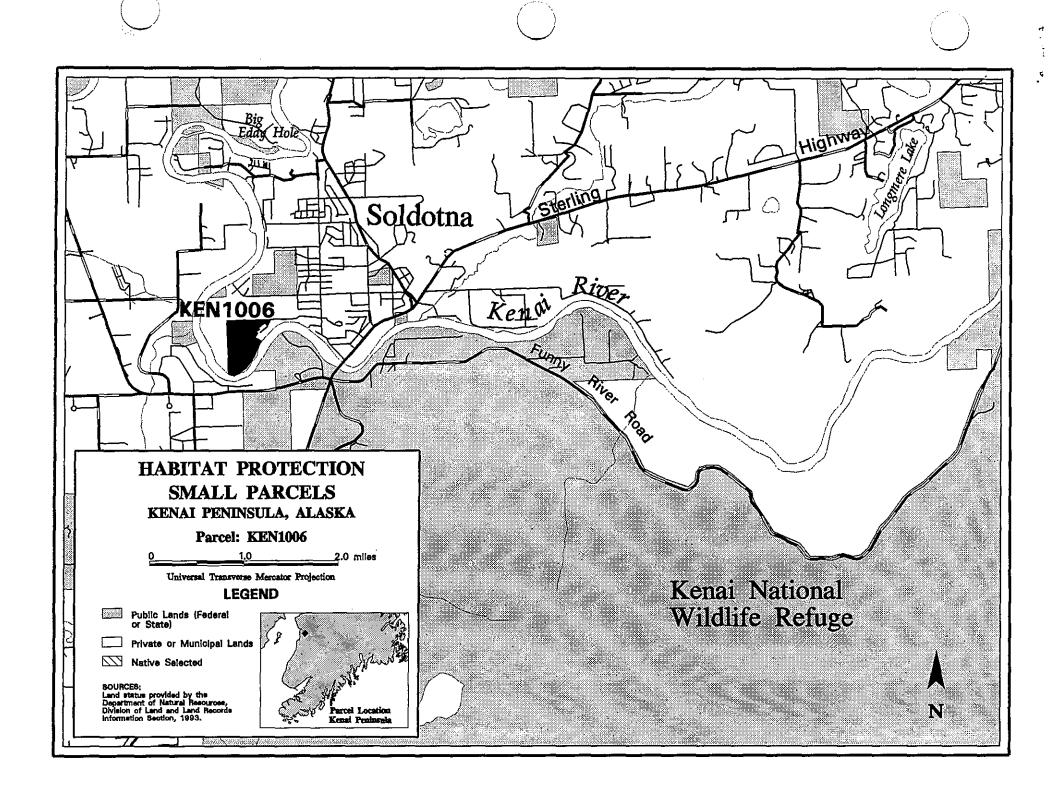
- Pink salmon and Dolly Varden. Pink salmon spawning and Dolly Varden spawning and rearing occur adjacent to the parcel.
- Sockeye salmon migrate and rear along the banks of the Kenai River.
- Recreation/tourism. This parcel has high potential for recreational use. The parcel is located near a proposed bridge crossing of the Kenai River that will connect the town of Sterling to the Funny River road, facilitating increased use of the south side of the river by thousands of anglers. The popular Morgan's Landing State Recreation Area and fishing hole is situated immediately downstream, as is the Alaska State Parks Kenai Area Headquarters. This section of the river receives high public use from boat and shore-based anglers. Recreational use of the subject parcel has been largely restricted by the landowners.

Potential Threats. The landowners are considering a range of development options, including a fishing lodge, single and multi-family housing, and a camper-style recreational vehicle park. The parcel has been extensively cleared and improved, is relatively flat, and has the potential to increase human use pressures on the river significantly if fully developed. Increased development can impact salmon habitat and affect existing recreation as more people compete for limited access sites. Streambanks may become trampled and denuded, increasing erosion and reducing habitat values.

**Appraised Value.** The appraised value of the parcel is \$1,650,000. The parcel has on-site improvements including a residence, garage, shed, cabin, gravel roads, and fencing. The highest and best use for the remainder of the parcel is residential development.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** The Public Advisory Group expressed concerns over whether ADNR or ADFG would consider leasing this property to a concessionaire, and agreed that habitat on the site could benefit from boardwalks and other measures to manage use along the river. Members underscored the significant development potential of the site and the threat this posed.



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### **KEN 1006: Girves Parcel**

Acreage: 110 Rank: PMSC Sponsor: ADFG Appraised Value: \$1,835,000

Owner: Irene H. Girves

Location: Near Mile 19 of the Kenai River

**Parcel Description.** This parcel is located near Mile 19 of the Kenai River just outside the city of Soldotna. It is across from Centennial Campground and Slikok Creek State Recreation Area

**Restoration Benefits.** Public ownership of the parcel will protect fish habitat by allowing public agencies to manage public use of the streambanks. Acquisition will also enhance recreation by providing additional public land for fishing and other recreational uses. Appropriate action would be taken to protect or restore streambank vegetation that is important fish habitat.

Key habitats and other attributes of this parcel include the following:

- Pink salmon and Dolly Varden. The parcel provides key habitat for chinook salmon, coho salmon, pink salmon and Dolly Varden.
- Sockeye salmon migrate and rear along the banks of the Kenai River.
- Recreation/tourism. High levels of recreational use occur by sportfishers who access the property by boat.

**Potential Threats.** Although the parcel has development potential, the primary threat to habitat results from streambank fishing. The landowner reports that significant erosion of streambanks, as much as five feet in one season, has occurred because of intensive use by river guides and tourists. She attributes the erosion to foot traffic and access by boats.

Appraised Value. The appraised value of the parcel is \$1,835,000. The parcel is zoned residential for one- to two-family dwellings. The site is readily developable, adjacent to public utilities and roads. Thus, the highest and best use is development of a residential subdivision or long-term holding of the parcel for future land value increases prior to subdividing.

**Proposed Management.** This parcel will be managed to preserve and protect them in order to restore, replace, enhance, and rehabilitate natural resources injured by the spill and the services provided by those natural resources. The parcel will probably be classified "Habitat/Public Recreation Land."

**Public Comment.** The Restoration Office has received no written comments from the public regarding this parcel.