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P.O. Box 113769  
Anchorage, Alaska 99511  
January 11, 1994

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

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Dear Council Members:

I am writing to express my support for Project Number 94421, Common Property Salmon Stock Restoration which is in your draft 1994 work plan. Specifically, I ask for your support in providing \$3.9 million to fund the fiscal year 1994 operational shortfall of the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation (PWSAC).

As you may know, PWSAC salmon production was a dominant component of the common property fishery resources of Prince William Sound prior to the 1989 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. Recent production failures in 1992 and 1993 have resulted in lost earnings for the fishermen of PWS as well as lost revenues to PWSAC. While scientists argue over the causes of the salmon resource failures in the sound, and lawyers construct arguments relating to resource impacts of the EVOS; PWSAC faces the very real possibility of going out of business.

Regardless of the outcome of legal and scientific debates, it must be recognized that the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation is the only organization with the capacity and the expertise to achieve the salmon restoration responsibilities of the Trustee Council in Prince William Sound. This is particularly true when it is remembered that the State of Alaska has eliminated the ADF&G Division of Fisheries Rehabilitation and Enhancement, and that their diminished capacity in this area will be further exacerbated by the State's present financial and budgetary problems.

PWSAC was created to "... rehabilitate the state's depleted and depressed salmon fishery..." in Prince William Sound. This purpose has been given new meaning as a result of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. PWSAC can be the instrument of the EVOS Trustee Council's rehabilitation and restoration responsibilities in Prince William Sound, but it needs your help. Please approve the requested funding for Project Number 94421.

Sincerely yours,

*Arlot W. Hall*

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cc: PWSAC

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Robert Fox  
P.O. Box 72169  
Fairbanks, AK 99707

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Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Draft 1994 Work Plan

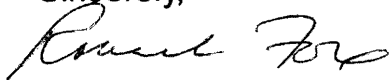
Dear Members of the EVOS Trustee Council:

This letter is directed to your council seeking your support for Project #94421-Common Property Salmon Stock Restoration. The pink salmon runs have fallen severely short of what is required to maintain a viable run and support the economy of the region.

While the reasons for this decline are not fully understood at this time, the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation hatcheries are being severely impacted, and may be forced to close without the funds requested. Even though my area of Alaska is not directly affected by this particular fishery, many Fairbanksans depend to some extent or another on healthy fisheries throughout the state.

Of the many requests before you, I sincerely hope that your decisions will be directed to support the projects that offer the most economic benefit for the region and all of Alaska. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Robert P. Fox  
A concerned citizen

cc: Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation

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Re: Draft 1994 Work Plan

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Prince William Sound salmon fisheries are distressed. During the ten years prior to 1989, the average annual return of all salmon to the PWS management region was 22 million fish. Total natural and hatchery salmon returns have dwindled to 10.5 million in 1992 and 7.0 million in 1993, in response to ecosystem changes that require further investigation. The damaged salmon resources and the lost services provided by those resources have heavily impacted all user groups. Revenues to PWSAC, primarily dependent on sales of returning fish, have fallen far short of what is necessary to maintain its restoration and enhancement efforts.

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While the extent of short-and long-term damage to the Prince William Sound ecosystem is still being assessed, it is more important than ever to the people of the Sound that the Salmon enhancement programs be maintained to both restore and replace these lost resources and services. The economic viability of the entire Prince William Sound region will be devastated if the hatchery system is allowed to fail during this period of distress.

Because of the extent of the economic hardship in the region, it is also appropriate to ask the EVOS Trustee Council funds to repay the PWSAC debt to the State Aquaculture Revolving Loan Fund, in addition to the funding request for 1994.

Please help the resources and the people of Prince William Sound recover  
Thank you.

Sincerely Kory Blake & Family

POB 1122

Cordova AK 99574

P.W.S Fisherman since 1970

Phone 907-376-3304



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EUGENE SVETC  
500 W. 31<sup>ST</sup> AVE  
ANCHORAGE, AK, 99503

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645 "G" STREET  
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DEAR COUNCIL MEMBERS

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

AS A COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN AND A MEMBER OF, THE UNITED COOK  
INLET DRIFT ASSOCIATION, I AM ASKING FOR YOUR FINANCIAL  
SUPPORT FOR THESE PROJECTS:

PROJECT #94255, KENAI RIVER SOCKEYE SALMON RESTORATION

PROJECT #94504, GENETIC STOCK IDENTIFICATION OF KENAI RIVER SOCKEYE

PROJECT #94258, SOCKEYE SALMON OVER ESCAPEMENT

THE INFORMATION GAINED FROM THESE PROJECTS, ENABLE, THE ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME TO CONTROL THE HARVEST AND  
ESCAPEMENT. IF WE ALL COOPERATE, THE SOCKEYE SALMON  
FISHERY WILL INCREASE IN SIZE AND EVERYONE WILL BENEFIT.

I OPPOSE PROJECT 94199, ALASKA SEA LIFE CENTER.  
THIS IS A "TOURIST ATTRACTION". THE CONSTRUCTION OF SUCH A FACILITY  
IN SEWARD IS NOT A COST EFFECTIVE WAY OF INVESTING THE  
TRUST MONEY. THE FINANCING OF THIS FACILITY CAN BE  
ACCOMPLISHED WITH A BOND ISSUE, A TAX SHOULD BE LEVIED  
ON THOSE THAT BENEFIT FROM THE FACILITY.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,  
*Eugene Svetc*

EUGENE SVETC  
500 W. 31<sup>ST</sup> AVE  
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Council Members:

As a Cook Inlet Drift Fisherman since 1986, I would like to express my support of the following EVOS Restoration projects:

Projects: 94504

94255

94258

I believe that the EVOS had a dramatic impact on the health of the Kenai River sockeye stocks, and with pressure building from sports & subsistence users, we are at a critical point in management. F&B biologists need all the help they can get.

Sincerely,

Mike Rainwater

CFEL # 503H59070C

POB 2598

Kenai AK 99611



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Please help the resources and the people of Prince William Sound recover.  
Thank you.

Respectfully,

Wendell L. Jones

Wendell L. Jones, Seiner/Gillnetter PWS  
POB 844  
Soldotna AK 99669-0844

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645 G Street  
Anchorage AK 99501

Regarding: Draft 1994 Work Plan

Members of the Council:

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I wish to voice my support of the Council's funding of Project #94421, Common Property Salmon Stock Restoration, in the Draft 1994 Work Plan. Specifically, I would like you to fully fund the maintenance of the existing salmon enhancement and restoration system operated in Prince William Sound by P.W.S. Aquaculture Corporation.

Unquestionably, Prince William Sound salmon fisheries are in poor condition. I'm sure ~~to~~ you have seen the data showing fishery conditions before and after the Exxon Valdez oil spill. As a Prince William Sound gillnetter since 1978, I have seen many ups and downs in the fishery, but clearly none of this magnitude. Helping to make the problem worse is the increasing reliance of the fleets on hatchery produced fish. If the hatchery system is allowed to fail at this time, the result will be widespread economic and social distress.

Please help the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corp. to help restore Prince William Sound. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
*William P. Lindow*

William P. Lindow, Anchorage

7920 Euander Av.  
Anchorage Ak 99518



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I would like to express my support for the inclusion of Project 94199 Alaska Sea Life Center in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration 1994 Work Plan. With the many miles of coastline surrounding Alaska this type of research, rehabilitation, and educational facility is long overdue.

*Sincerely,*

*Brenda S. Humminger*

Additional Comments:

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Return Address:



MR. & MRS. ROBERT F. GUMMINGER  
HC 32, Box 6883, Wasilla, AK 99654



*Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council  
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we support Project 94/99, Alaska Sea Life Center in Seward & feel this is the best use of the funds from the oil spill settlement. there is a definite need for such a facility in Alaska & Seward seems to be the perfect location.

Janet Hines  
Janis Hines

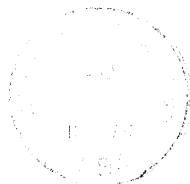


Additional Comments:

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Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Hines  
3201 Amber Bay Loop  
Anchorage, AK 99515  
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I am very much in support of Project 94199, the Alaska Sea Life Center. I have been to the Monterey Aquarium and spoken with some of the university people and local biologists there, and I have witnessed what a nice adjunct the aquarium is to their work. I've seen the looks of wonder on the faces of children and adults alike as they've learned about the hidden world of underwater sea creatures. I think the Alaska Sea Life Center could help both tourists and Alaskans better appreciate all we have and all we stand to lose in Alaskan waters.

Linda Billmaier  
HC 83 Box 1653  
Eagle River, AK 99577

Additional Comments:

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LINDA BILLMIGER  
HC 83 Box 1653  
EAGLE RIVER, AK 99597



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Dear Sirs,

I support this project & believe this to be a very good investment of these funds. IT would certainly be A MISTAKE IF A PROJECT OF THIS NATURE WAS NOT FUNDED. FROM THE MAPS AVAILABLE. IT LIKELY THIS OPPORTUNITY WILL NOT SOON BE POSSIBLE TO DO SOMETHING THAT WILL HAVE THE LASTING EFFECT FOR MANY GENERATIONS TO COME.

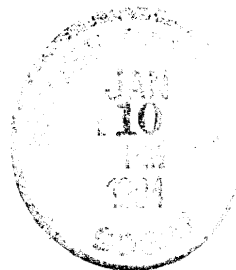
Sincerely,  
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J. D. STANTON  
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SOLEDAD, AK 99664



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ANCHORAGE, 1/10/94

DEAR EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL,

I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY  
SUPPORT TO THE IDEA OF THE ALASKA SEA LIFE CENTER.  
I'VE BEEN RECEIVING SOME INFORMATION REGARDING SUCH  
PROJECT AND THERE ARE DEFINITELY GOOD REASONS WHY  
IT SHOULD BECOME A REALITY.  
IT WILL BE NOT ONLY A BEAUTIFUL WAY TO PROTECT  
OUR ANIMALS BUT ALSO TO GIVE EDUCATION TO  
THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS TO TOURISTS.

IN YOUR JAN. 31 / 94  
MEETING I HOPE YOU KEEP THIS AND OTHER  
HUNDREDS GOOD REASONS WHY ~~FOR~~ IT'S SOME  
THING WE ALL NEED.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

SINCERELY,

J. IVAN CEBALLOS  
P.O. BOX 201247  
ANCHORAGE, AK

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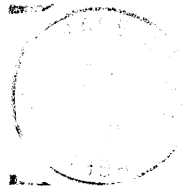
IT'S UP TO US TO KEEP ALASKA  
AS THE LAST FRONTIER AND NOT JUST ANOTHER  
DRY, DEAD, INDUSTRIAL STATE.

WE - EVERY BODY - SHOULD REMEMBER  
THAT AND KEEP OUR WATERS CLEAN AND  
THE FORESTS GREEN.

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**Return Address:**

J. IVAN CEBELLES  
Box 201247  
ANCHORAGE, AK 99520



**Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council**  
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Anchorage, AK 99501

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TO: THE EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEES COUNCIL,

I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY FIRM BELIEF THAT FUNDING FOR THE ALASKA SEA LIFE CENTER, PROJECT # 94199, IS CRITICAL TO THE MONITORING AND RESEARCH NECESSARY FOR OIL SPILL RESTORATION.

I WAS HERE, IN SEWARD, WHEN THE EXXON OIL SPILL OCCURRED AND WITNESSED FIRST HAND WHAT THE LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND LACK OF READINESS DID TO FURTHER COMPOUND THIS TRAGIC EVENT.

I AM NOT SPEAKING ABOUT THE LACK OF SUPPORT IN TERMS OF CONTAINMENT AND OIL SPILL RECOVERY EQUIPMENT AND EFFORTS, I AM SPEAKING ABOUT THE LACK OF INFORMATION AND SUPPORT IN DEALING WITH THE SUBSURFACE ECO-SYSTEMS, THE TIDES AND CURRENTS, THE SENSELESS DEATHS OF THOUSANDS OF BIRDS, MAMMALS, FISH AND OTHER ANIMALS BECAUSE NO FACILITY EXISTED TO DEAL WITH ANY OF THESE SPILL RELATED SIDE EFFECTS.

AN EXCEPTION WAS INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE, LOCATED HERE IN SEWARD, DEALING WITH CURRENTS AND THE PREDICTION OF WHERE AND HOW FAR THE OIL WOULD - AND DID - SPREAD.

IN THE WEEKS, AND I TRULY MEAN WEEKS, THAT FOLLOWED AFTER THAT FATEFUL DAY, I WITNESSED THE DEATHS OF MANY BIRDS AND ANIMALS. WHERE WAS THE REHABILITATION OF THESE ANIMALS GOING TO BE PLACED ?? .... IT BECAME MORE EVIDENT, AS TIME WENT ON, TO WONDER NOT WHERE, BUT WHEN! BY THE TIME VARIOUS REHAB CENTERS WERE CONSTRUCTED AND STAFFED, IT WAS TOO LATE FOR MOST OF THE MARINE LIFE THAT PERISHED. YES, SOME WERE SAVED, BUT NOT ENOUGH.

SINCE THE SPILL, AFFECTED AREAS HAVE EXPERIENCED DEVASTATING FISH RUNS, UNEXPLAINED DISEASES ON CERTAIN SPECIES OF FISH AND SEA BIRDS, BIZARRE BEHAVIOR OF MURRES COMING INTO TOWN, FLOPPING AROUND THEN DYING, AND OTHER ODDITY WITH MARINE MAMMALS THAT EXPERTS ARE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN.

ARE WE TO LET THESE AND OTHER ODDITIES REMAIN JUST THAT - UNEXPLAINED PHENOMENON - NOT KNOW THE RAMIFICATIONS - FACE AN EVEN BIGGER CRISIS LATER

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE IS ALREADY LOCATED IN SEWARD. THEIR EFFORTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO MARINE SCIENCE AND RESEARCH BE COMMEMENDED. THE ALASKA SEALIFE CENTER HAS THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY AS IT WILL WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEM AND ENHANCE THEIR ABILITY, WELL AS OTHERS, TO EFFECTIVELY MONITOR AND STUDY MARINE ECOSYSTEMS AND CONCERNS.

Additional Comments:

THE EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL WAS INDEED A TRAGIC EVENT AND ONE WE WILL NEVER FORGET. WE SHOULDN'T FOOL OURSELVES INTO BELIEVING ANOTHER SPILL OF LESSER OR GREATER MAGNITUDE WILL NOT OCCUR AT SOME TIME IN OUR FUTURE. PURCHASING TREES WILL DO ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO HELP US LEARN ANY LESSONS OR HELP US UNDERSTAND ANYMORE ABOUT MARINE ECOSYSTEMS THAN WE KNOW RIGHT NOW.... WHICH WAS PROVEN IS VERY LITTLE COMPARED TO WHAT WE SHOULD AND TRULY NEED TO KNOW.

KNOWLEDGE IS THE TRUE POWER AND DRIVING FORCE TO OUR FUTURE. IT IS MY HOPE YOU AGREE FUNDING FOR THE ALASKA SEA LIFE CENTER, PROJECT #94199, NOT ONLY MEETS THE CRITERIA, IT IS THE WISEST APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR OUR FUTURE.

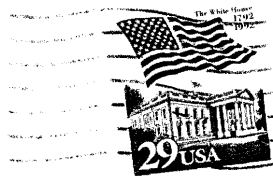
THANKYOU FOR TIME, EFFORTS AND CONSIDERATION.

SINCERELY  
MARY HART  
P.O. BOX 2875  
SEWARD, AK 99664

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We support the funding of the Alaska Sea Life Center for the following reasons:

- 1.) State of Alaska controls more of coastal zone than any other coastal zone states and have no facilities for studies needed for such a huge area
- 2.) It is necessary that the State has the facilities and personnel to take care of marine sealife in event of another oil spill or natural disaster.
- 3.) Fine educational facility for visitors and residents alike to learn about and respect marine sealife.
- 4.) Possible location for international and global meetings in regard to marine life and research.

Monika + Bill Lyle  
Tammy Steveth Lyle, Alyssa, Ben, Serena  
Barbara Lyle Foley, George Foley, Sara + George II  
Mark + Laura Lyle, George, Susan, Alex, Andrew, Katherine Lyle

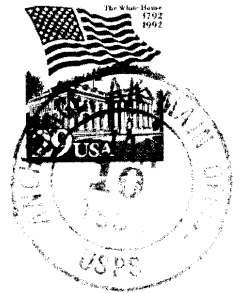
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handle jobs through this facility  
Alaskans!

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Monika + Bill Lyle + family  
3543 Newcomb Dr  
Anchorage, AK, 99508



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Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee  
Council

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Anchorage, Alaska 99501

As commercial fishermen  
of the Cook Inlet, my wife  
and I have very much in support of  
the three proposed projects  
that will directly benefit  
Kenai River sockeye salmon  
restoration; Project # 94504,  
# 94255 and # 94258. This  
is our livelihood and we  
want to continue to be able  
to fish the Alaskan waters  
and make a living at it!

We are opposed to Project  
# 94199, the Alaska Sea Life Center.

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Thank You,  
Sincerely,

Wayne D. Wilson  
Connie C. Wilson

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Lane  
Kenai AK  
99611

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
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LEW M. WILLIAMS, JR.  
755 Grant Street  
Ketchikan, Alaska 99901

Jan. 3, 1994

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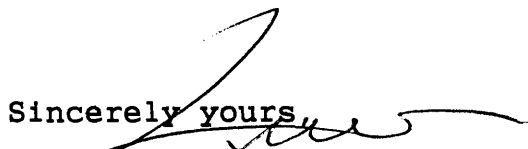
Dear Friends:

I have read the draft 1994 oil spill restoration plan and three things concern me:

1. I see nothing about putting a portion of the restoration funds into an endowment or some type of program similar to the state's Permanent Fund where the earnings from the endowment can pay for spill research well after the last payment is made by Exxon. I think common sense dictates that a portion of the money be set aside for the future. The money to do that is there because it is not possible to reasonably spend what is available each year, judging by the '94 and previous work plans.
2. I see a program to acquire land but I see no efforts to make land trades to make the recovery funds go further and keep as many acres of the state as possible in private hands. Between the federal and state governments, too much of the state is government-owned. That is bad for a state which will need private development in future years to offset lost oil revenue. It adversely affects the economy of the spill area, as well as the rest of the state.
3. I note from other sources that some of the timber acreage the trustees are buying to protect habitat includes timber infested by the spruce bark beetle. That pest can adversely affects the quality of habitat and adversely affects restoration of species, for which

restoration funds are targeted. It appears that a accurate study of the amount of beetle impact is warranted. A program to curb beetle infestation is necessary. And an intensive reforestation program is mandated. That means some type of tree nursery in the spill area with follow-up planting and thinning programs. That's ideal for small villages in the spill area. Some attention should be given to that. Reforestation is a long range project which means the Trusttes Council needs long range funds, another argument for some type of endowment program as mentioned in item 1, above.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lew M. Williams, Jr.

public member

Exxon Valdez Trustee Council Public Advisory Group



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Dear Sir,

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

I would like to express our feelings on Project 94504, 94255, 94258. We believe this is what the oil spill money was for, we believe this is vital research that needs to be done to protect the salmon. This research will enable the people of Alaska to enjoy a resource that is renewable and will last forever if taken care of.

I also want to call your attention to project 94189, Alaska Sea Life Center. I noticed that most of the support is coming from the same big names that were for the Valdez grain terminal. That project was supposed to help Alaska and it did not. The same applies on building an Alaska Sea Life Center - This project is not in the best interest of Alaska. It is time the corrupt practices be put to a stop. Stop project 94189 & let "Willie be Free". The project 94185 is not a research center if the facility requires tourists to support it.

Emmet Heidemann.

P.O. Box 770061

Eagle River, Alaska 99577-0061

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Project 94199 - Alaska Sea Life Center: This project is a once-in-a-life-time opportunity for Alaska to be on the front edge of research in the area of birds and marine mammals. We have the area (we are the area); we have the wildlife that desperately needs solutions to their precarious hold on this earth before extinction; and, finally, there will be another major spill no matter how carefully the oil companies feel they are handling things -- another Exxon Valdez-type ship on the rocks, either due to carelessness or a storm by nature will be catastrophic.

Let's have a Center ready to care for the innocent creatures, with the most up-to-date know how and facility at our fingertips. Let's have spill-related ecosystem knowledge readily available for not only Alaska but world wide use. Let's have, "at home" a Center where our children can learn about their water wealth and how to care for it. Let's have a place where scientists can gather, study, do research and teach us all about caring for what's left.

Please do not neglect this project.  
It's for all of Alaska and Alaskans.

Sincerely,

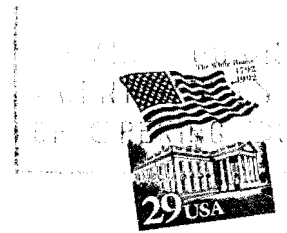
Russ & Joan Langhans, P.O. Box 1848  
Seward, AK 99664

Additional Comments:

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Dear Sirs -

Please help establish the Alaska Sea Life Center in Iñowak. The educational opportunities for children and adults as well as the arena for rehabilitation of marine mammals and birds should be a plus not only for Alaska but any one from around the world.

Sincerely,

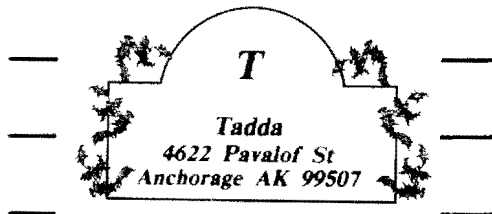
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(Mrs. Frank Tadda Jr.)

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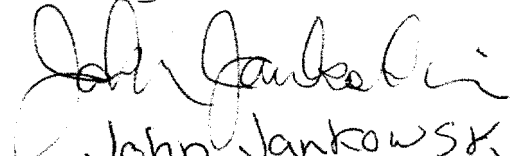
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To whom it may concern;

Since the 1989 oil spill there has been a dramatic decline in Salmon production in Lower Cook Inlet. I support projects 94345 94421 and 94139 in hopes of getting this district back to where it once was.

  
John Jankowski  
Box 91  
Seldovia AK 99663

Additional Comments:

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January 7, 1994

EVOS Trustee Council  
645 G Street  
Anchorage, AK 99501EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
TRUSTEE COUNCILRe: Draft 1994 Work Plan

Members of the EVOS Trustee Council:

I'm writing in support of EVOS Trustee Council funding for Project Number 94421, Common Property Salmon Stock Restoration, in the Draft 1994 Work Plan. In particular, I ask for full funding to maintain the existing salmon enhancement and restoration system operated in the PWS and CI regions.

PWS salmon fisheries are distressed. During the ten years prior to 1989, the average annual return of all salmon to the PWS management region was 22 million fish. Total natural and hatchery returns have dwindled to 10.5 million in 1992 and 7.0 million in 1993, in response to ecosystem changes that require further investigation. The damaged salmon resources and the lost services provided by those resources have heavily impacted all user groups. Revenues to PWSAC, primarily dependent on sales of returning fish, have fallen far short of what is necessary to maintain its restoration and enhancement effort.

While the extent of short- and long-term damage to the PWS ecosystem is still being assessed, it is more important than ever to the people of the Sound that the salmon enhancement programs be maintained to both restore and replace these lost resources and services. The economic viability of the entire PWS region will be devastated if the hatchery system is allowed to fail during this period of distress.

Because of the extent of the economic hardship in the region, it is also appropriate to ask the EVOS Trustee Council funds to repay the PWSAC debt to the State Aquaculture Revolving Loan Fund, in addition to the funding request for 1994.

As a member of several user groups in both PWS and CI, I ask you to please help the resources and the peoples of these areas to recover. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Arne A. Hatch

Hatch Brothers

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January 4, 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
645 "G" St.  
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Council Members:

Thank you for an opportunity to respond to your Draft 1994 Work Plan. I attended the Prince William Sound Ecosystem Study Plan Workshop in Cordova on December 4-6, 1993; hence I am interested in the projects proposed for funding.

First, I received only the abridged version on the Work Plan. Since I will gone all next week I'll not have time to review individual projects and respond to you by January 14. Therefore it is impossible to scientifically evaluate any of the projects.

I was struck by the large number and high cost of many proposed projects. Some, such as Project 94199, the Sea Life Center in Seward, would seem to have little relationship to restoration from the spill. Many others seem very costly. The only detailed proposal I have reviewed is for the The Ecosystem Study Plan (94320), and I strongly support such a long-term study of the Prince William Sound ecosystem, with emphasis on pink salmon and herring.

My main concern is the overall coordination of these projects. What are the key issues and concerns? Is there a coordinated plan for study and integration of results? For example, many projects propose to monitor or assess populations and breeding success of seabirds, mammals, fishes etc. I would think that they could benefit by adopting comparable methods, cooperation in the field and assessment of trends on similar time-space scales.

Finally, as a scientist, I am curious about the review procedures for these proposals. How are they evaluated before and after the Trustee Council receives them? Are they competitive and the best science for the money? How is progress evaluated after the funding period? And how are they coordinated with your overall long-term goals?

Sincerely,

William G. Pearcy  
Professor Emeritus

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P. O. Box 324  
Kenai, Alaska 99611  
6 January 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
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Anchorage, AK 99501

I strongly support the following projects:

Project 94504 Genetic Stock Identification of Kenai  
River Sockeye.

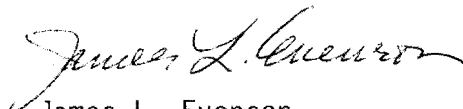
Project 94255 Kenai River Sockeye Salmon Restoration.

Project 94258 Sockeye Salmon Overescapement.

These are excellent projects that make legitimate use  
of the money to provide necessary research and manage-  
ment tools.

I oppose Project 94199 Alaska Sea Life Center. This  
tourist facility is definitely not a research project.

Sincerely,

  
James L. Evenson



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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL  
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

EVOS Trustee Council Members:

I am writing to give my support to the proposed project  
Number 94421, Common Property Salmon Stock Restoration.

I am a Prince William Sound (area E) commercial fisherman, I was also elected to serve on the Prince William Sound Aquaculture board of directors in 1992. I feel that the importance of PWSAC to the Fishermen, Processors, Communities, and the State of Alaska can not be understated. To the fishermen of Prince William Sound the Aquaculture Corp. is about all that is left on the sound, without the hatchery returns (as bad as they were) there would not have been any fishing for salmon in Prince William Sound for any user group in 1993. There is something wrong in the ecosystem of Prince William Sound, this is very apparent and this began with the Exxon Valdez oil spill. This goes well beyond the hardship that the fishermen have felt the past few years, the processors don't have the round pounds to make their plants run efficiently therefore the cannery workers have less hours leading to smaller paychecks. The communities of Prince William Sound suffer from loss of revenues. The merchants in the communities suffer from loss of sales therefore reducing communities revenues even further. If PWSAC is allowed to die due to lack of revenue the communities loose a large payroll and a major purchaser of goods and services.

We are still trying to assess the damage and how to correct it in the spill area, to allow the local aquacultures to fold at this time would do a diservice to the people of Alaska.

It seems to me that if it is found that restoration is needed to reestablish salmon in the affected areas then why let a successful rearing system fold and then most likely need to start over with a similar project at considerable larger cost.

Please consider all of the long term affects of allowing this program (PWSAC) to die when you vote on this funding.

Thank you

David Blake

*David Blake*  
POB 2705  
Cordova AK 99574

January 4, 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council  
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Thank you.

Frank Siemion  
POB 2055  
Cordova AK 99574

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