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Kodiak Island Borough

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

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Council Members:

I have had the opportunity to review the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service plan for the utilization of the one million dollars that was set aside for acquisition of tax foreclosed and other parcels in Uyak Bay. Apparently, the acquisition of the native allotment parcel in Uyak Bay has fallen through. The acquisition of the three native allotments in Three Saints Bay would be an appropriate diversion of those funds if that meets with the approval of the Trustee Council. It appears that this change of plan could be accommodated within the overall scope and still acquire most, if not all, of the available parcels around Uyak Bay. On that basis, the Kodiak Island Borough would be supportive of moving ahead with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife's recommended plan of action.

We urge the Trustee Council continue to pursue the acquisition of the remaining tribal council lands that lie in the strip between the lots that were transferred to the shareholders and the land that was acquired from Koniag on the North side of Uyak Bay. This remaining strip of land would clean up the entire North side of Uyak Bay by bringing all but a few remaining inholding parcels along the North side of Uyak Bay into the refuge.

The Kodiak Island Borough would also like to continue to urge the Trustee Council to transfer all of the Afognak acquisition lands around Waterfall Lake and West of Waterfall Lake into the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and place the remaining lands into state ownership. This would create a clean division of ownership boundaries, reducing the annual operations and maintenance costs for the long-term for both the federal government and the State of Alaska.

I would like to commend the Trustee Council for your ongoing successful efforts in carrying out the tasks and duties that were assigned to you as a result of this settlement. If I can answer any questions, or I can be of any assistance to you in any way, please let me know.

Sincerely,

KODIAK ISLAND BOROUGH

Jerome M. Selby Borough Mayor

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Eric Myers

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To: Subject:

Eric Myers Afognak Area

Subject Date:

Friday, November 21, 1997 11:51AM

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 907/278-8012 fax: 907/276-7178



November 21, 1997

Samuel J. Burris P.O. Box 296 Winside, NE 68790

Dear Mr. Burris:

Thank you for your recent comment in support of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council's efforts to protect habitat on Afognak Island. As you may know, the Trustee Council has already made a substantial purchase of lands on northern Afognak when it successfully acquired more than 41,500 acres at Seal Bay/Tonki Cape for \$39.5 million in 1993. This area has since been designated as the Afognak Island State Park.

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Sincerely,

Molly McCammon **Executive Director**

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Olga M. Rosché 13781 Fish Hill Rd. South Wales, N.Y. 14139

Effon Valdey Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 "Y" Street anchorage, alaska, 99501

november 24, 1997



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL

Dear Sers; The northern section of Yognak Usland Contains some of the first wellife Rabitat in the Gulf of alaska, a biological survey examined many acres of land and found their area in the highest category. One orea on north afagnet - Paul's and Laures Lakes is the single-highest ruted & ranked wildlife habitat in the entire Trustee evaluation process. being an authorse person and an enverou-mentalist I very strongly wrige you to purchase all of north alognak Island, especially Pauls & Kaura Late, also you should use the Restoration Reserve "for habitat acquisition & protection, Thank you for your efforts so fat. People who really enjoy and like the wild places are countingen your group to protect North Afranak lands. He need to preserve places yours truly for wildlife, Olga Rosake

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To Everyone this loss Concerni (that you) my names Ken Bice. Ive Been on afognack Is for seven yes. Eve Been employed by mike valentine, tom Thomas, and now lick Buhler for Silver Bay Logging, as a Cutter Ive worked the woods in Mr. not, Id., wa, and here on afognack to due worked in various types of trees, landscapes, weather Conditions, and wildlife habitats. Sately live read articles, and heard people talk about the logging on afognack. (mostly all Bull I might say) The last people to want all the trees cut is the loggies. What would we do then? Being here for seven yrs. I can truthfully say that the Elk, Deer, and Bear are doing better, because of the Logging. Elk are naturaly a shy prairie animal don the western States, they moved to the mountains because of the people in the valleys. They declined in numbers for the lack of the feed needed. When logging came in the numbers increased Because of the grass in the logged off areas. (This is not a secret all anyone has to do is check 94 21 state.) the Elk + Over Population here has increased quite well, the Better grass quality that's provided on account of the logging Which in twen, with better Elk& Deer number, mean more feed for Bear when fish & Berrico aren't as avsilable It doesn't take a Brain surgeon to figure out, Just Common sence, which some people are quite short of. Clear Cutting on afograck is the Best way for the situation leve The Volcanic ask that settled here in the large

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115-64 220St Vamaica, N.Y. 11411

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL Ms Mc Cammon, Executive Breaton 10/25/97 Re: North Honok Island Dear Ms Mc Cammon I thank you for the Council's efforts on land conservation in Alaska. I unge you to work diligently and creatively, to secure the acquisition and conservation of all of North Afonak Toland. This island, especially Paul's and Laura Lake is highly biologically rated.

I unge you to use funds from the "Restoration Reserve" for habitat acquisition and protection. Atomak Island has great historical importance as our nation's first conservation forest preserve. I urge you to act decisively to secure protection for all of North Atomak Island. Peter Zadis

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Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 907/278-8012 fax: 907/276-7178



November 4, 1997

Peter Zandis 115-64 220 St. Jamaica, New York 11411

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Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director



85 Second Street, Second Floor San Francisco, CA 94105-3441 415 * 977 * 5500

October 23, 1997

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501
fax: (907) 276-7178

Gentlemen:

I am aware that you have made a substantial offer to buy lands of very high habitat value from private land owners in order to safeguard them for conservation. However, I understand that these lands are now threatened with large clearcuts by logging companies. Thus, it is urgent that they should become part of the public domain as soon as possible.

The lands in question, in particular the area surrounding Paul's Lake and Laura Lake, are extremely important as wildlife habitat. Protecting them from habitat fragmentation and loss that could result from development if they remain in private hands is a very high priority goal for the Sierra Club and other environmental organizations.

Let me urge you to expedite as much as possible further negotiations with the various land owners who control the areas on North Afognak Island that are being considered for acquisition into the public domain. These negotiations are a crucial part of the process of habitat protection integral to the Spill Settlement resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil spill disaster.

Sincerely,

Edgar Wayburn, M.D.

Chairman, Alaska Task Force

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

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October 24, 1997

Edgar Wayburn, M.D. Chairman, Alaska Task Force Sierra Club 85 Second Street, Second Floor San Francisco, California 94105-3441

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Molly McCammon **Executive Director**



DON ROSS

Box 90 Ft. Yukon, Alaska 99740 907-662-2445 (June-September) 2532 Roland Road Fairbanks, Alaska 99709 907-479-3792 (October-May)

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

Gentlemen:

Just a note to thank you for your efforts to purchase and protect outstanding areas of wildlife habitat in Alaska.

I hope that in the near future negotiations will be completed to acquire prime wildlife habitat in the Paul's and Laura Lakes area on North Afognak Island. This is an important conservation purchase that should be completed if at all possible.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Don Ross

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

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October 20, 1997

Don Ross 2532 Roland Road Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

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Sincerely,

Molly McCammon **Executive Director**

Eric Myers

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To:

Eric Myers

Subject: Date:

afognak forest and fish culture reserve Friday, October 10, 1997 8:09AM

>From: Gap7580@aol.com
>Date: Thu, 9 Oct 1997 22:16:40 -0400 (EDT)
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: afognak forest and fish culture reserve
>
>EVOS Trustees
>
>Asking to purchase all of North Afognak Island, especially Paul's and Laura
>Lake. This is the highest biologically rated area in their own study. None
>of the Reserve is dedicated to purchasing lands for conservation. Thanks for
>your past efforts so far.
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>Sincerely ,
>Gregory
>Las Vegas, Nv.

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EVOS Trustees 645 G St. Anchorage, Alaska 99501 Ilear Trustees:

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Please purchase all of North afognak Island, especially Paul's and Laura Lake. This is the very best biological area, as you stated in your own study, please use your "Restoration Reserve" for habitat purchase and preservation.

Thank you for your efforts thus far, I am very much hoping that you will protect North Afognak lands. I have enjoyed alaska as a tourist and hope to creturn to the same unspoiled scenery. Help to Keep alaska the special state that it is - especially beautiful and wonderfully wild.

Sincerely, M. Ruth Niswander 622 Barbera Davis, Ca. 95616

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October 20, 1997

M. Ruth Niswander 622 Barbera Davis, CA 95616

Dear Ms. Niswander:

Thank you for your continuing support of the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council's efforts to protect habitat on Afognak Island. As you know from our prior correspondence, the Council is involved in on-going negotiations with the landowner to secure protection for this area. This effort continues to be a priority for the Council and I remain hopeful that a new proposal can be developed that will meet both the goals of restoration and the landowner interests.

Your support for use of the Restoration Reserve to protect additional habitat lands has also been noted. The Trustee Council is now in the process of collecting public comment on how best to use the reserve through a series of public meetings and other public involvement opportunities. Your comments will be incorporated as part of that effort. It is anticipated that the Council will make a decision on how to use the Restoration Reserve sometime in 1998.

Please know that the Trustee Council is very interested in public views on restoration activities and a copy of your letter will be provided to each of the Council members.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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SENATOR JERRY MACKIE

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

September 28, 1997

Memorandum

To:

Legislative Budget and Audit Committee Members

From:

Senator Jerry Mackie Alaska State Legislature

Subject:

RPL regarding purchase of lands on northern Afognak Island.

I would appreciate your favorable support for a RPL being considered before the LB&A Committee Friday, October 2nd. This particular RPL requests authority to expend Exxon Valdez oil spill settlement funds to purchase an estimated 41,000 acres of land on northern Afognak Island.

This settlement has received overwhelming, favorable support from constituents throughout my district. I have been monitoring the extensive acquisition process for the past few years and have been comfortable with the negotiation process as it evolved.

Although this settlement has been on-going for the past 5 years, the details of the acquisition were substantially completed in July, 1998. Funding for the acquisition was not requested in this past session's budget since the terms and amount had not been finalized.

SENATE DISTRICT C Kodiak Island/Southeast Islands

CANON WINE THE CHES

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council 645 G Street, Suite 401 Anchorage, AK 99501 September 16, 1997

To Whom It May Concern:

I have written at this time to urge you to purchase important habitat lands on Afognak Island. Afognak Island, just off the coast of Kodiak Island, forms an important part of the Kodiak archipelago. Its ancient rainforest lands support teeming salmon runs, marbled murrelets, elk, bear, and other wildlife. For many years, private timber companies have been clearcutting this forest.

While I am aware that the Trustee Council has already used most of the funds it had originally earmarked for land acquisition, I am also aware that there is considerable money remaining in its restoration and research reserves. I consider habitat acquisition to be much more urgent than other, non-protective, uses of the fines paid by the Exxon Corporation as a result of the 1989 oil spill disaster.

The area of highest priority for protection is the ancient forest of north Afognak Island, in particular Paul's and Laura Lakes. Other important areas are Shugak Strait and Afognak Lake. In addition, key parcels which would link units of Afognak Island State Park should be purchased. The lands around Paramanof and Malina Bays are extraordinarily beautiful and worth protecting.

In addition to my above request that you should purchase important habitat lands on Afognak Island, I also urge you to increase the amount of money that you have set aside to protect Afognak.

This is our last opportunity to protect the remaining pristine lands on the island, let's not allow it to slip away.

Sincerely,

David A. Brunetti

David A. Brunetti 935 Sherman Farm Road Harrisville, RI 02830





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September 25, 1997

David A. Brunetti 935 Sherman Farm Road Harrisville, RI 02830

Dear Mr. Brunetti:

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Sincerely,

Molly McCammon Executive Director

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Dear Trustee Council Member:

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We urge you to protect prime fish and wildlife habitat on North Afognak. We urge you to purchase all of North Afognak Island, prioritizing the "Pauls and Laura Lakes" area. This is our last chance to save North Afognak lands from clearcutting. We urge you to use the "Restoration Reserve" funds for this habitat acquisition.

My wife and I believe that one of the best uses of the EVOSS Restoration Reserve is the acquisition of critical habitat areas. Monies always seem to materialize at the 11th. hour to meet urgent needs for research, clean up operations, animal treatment centers, etc. I that we steadily and continually lose is undisturbed and unthreatened habitat. ie. Native Land Claims, timber companies, mining and the road building required to support these industries. Not to be overlooked are the claims of boroughs and villages such as shorebird habitat on the Homer Spit. Every parcel and bit that is set aside in perpetuity such as north afognah ensures that something should remain for our grandchildren to enjoy and the wildlife that the habitat supports. I feel that it was an oversight on your port not to have approved the acquisition of the 26 plus acres on China Poot / Peterson Bay as suggested and recommended to you by Mike Mc Bride. It surely qualifies as critical habitat.

a second priority for funding would be the establishment of a modest endowment to ensure that critical research be conducted in future problem areas where alternative funding is not available.

Sincerely, On	
James R. Mahaffey	JAMES R. MAHAFFEY
Signature	Printed Name
9601 MIDDEN WAY	(907) 333-9632
Address ANCHORAGE, AK 99507	Phone/Email

Keri Hile

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center Keri Hile

To:

Subject:

Afognak Island

Date:

Monday, August 11, 1997 1:52PM

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>Date: Mon, 27 Aug 1956 16:16:09 +0000
>From: kyle <kyle@zyx.net>
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: Afognak Island
>Fish and wildlife habitat on North Afognak Island is very important.
>Please protect it from clearcutting. I urge you to go forward with the >purchase of these premium lands.
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>Sincerely,
>Margaget T. Mullen
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Keri Hile

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To:

Keri Hile

Subject: Date:

North Afognak Monday, August 25, 1997 11:10AM

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>Date: Sat, 23 Aug 1997 08:49:36 +0000 >From: toshi@Alaska.NET

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>thanks, Irene B. Lindquist P.O. Box 63 Moose Pass, AK 99631

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P.O. BOX 770744 EAGLE RIVER, ALASKA 99577 907

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

I'm writing in support of spending EVOS funds to purchase all of north Afogak Island that is available for sale. I have visited Afognak, and believe, with biologists apparently, that the island is incredibly valuable as forest, coastal and stream habitat, much more than it will ever be worth as logs or pulp.

Please purchase north Afognak!!

Dean Riedapose



From:

8/20/97

Sam Barber 7175 Oline Circle Anchorage, AK 99507 (907) 338-8735

To:

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Sir or Madame,
Please allow me to reiterate a bit of my "93" letter from today's perspective.

After apparently seeing the wisdom of and going to the trouble of expanding Shuyak Island State Park to include the vast majority of land on the island. It seems to me it would be worth protecting this "gem" of tourism with a bit of buffer zone. The clear cutting practice of logging already visible on much of Afognak Island has for years now made an "In Your Face" juxtaposition of these two islands of manipulation.

For the record: I am an advocate of harvesting trees as well as other natural resources; but from what I've seen already on Afognak I would have to cast my vote against more logging.

Regards,

Marty Rutherford EVOS Restoration Team 645 G. Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Ms. Rutherford,

I'm writing to you in support of the property buy back program, specifically the northwest corner of Afognak Island which I understand is slated to be logged. If the State is truly supporting tourism this would be a prudent thing to do. It is counter productive not to protect the icons of tourism while spending time, energy and money on promoting this blossoming industry.

I have been a guide most of my adult life both in and out of state. With the possible exception of the Grand Canyon no other place have I found that lures people with its own mystic, captivating total strangers who are normally indifferent to wilderness issues. To allow the stark reality of a struggling economy to visually dispel the magic of our state is no way to protect our hard earned investment. Perhaps this could create a sense of urgency to our visitors (come see it while you can) but I think not.

Please keep in mind that you can sell the trees once but I can sell the view thousands of times. My personal benefit is not only at stake but like a sourdough starter the satisfied guests I send home will secure future tourist dollars elsewhere in the state

A few years ago I finally put all my eggs in one basket and purchased a parcel of land on Shuyak Island at Shuyak Harbor, a place that to me most represents the intrigue of Alaska. The predominant view from Shuyak Harbor is the northwest corner of Afognak Island between Redfox and Bluefox bays. To my back is Shuyak Island State Park a worthy investment towards Kodak's interest in tourism (in a less then perfectly diversified economy) is yet another holding to consider protecting.

Not often do we have the opportunity to collect dividends for such benign neglect lets not spoil the chance.

Sincerely yours

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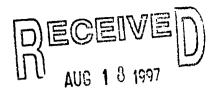
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EVOS 645 G ST Anchorage, AK 99501



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear EVOS:

Enclosed is a recent solicitation from ACE urging you to buy more private land on Afognak Island.

You have already purchased Afognak Island State Park, additional land adjacent to Shuyak Island State Park, and inholdings in KNWF not including near by lands already in other Government ownerships. How much more private, taxpaying, income producing land do you really need?

The State can hardly afford to administer and maintain the parks it already has.

None of the land you are attempting to purchase was damaged by the oil spill. There is NO evidence that any fish or wildlife is being threatened. Every piece of private land in Southcentral Alaska seems to be high rated habitat. The Government already owns 87% of the state. For a change, do something to mitigate for the oil spill or decide how much more land you need to protect at our expense and publish it along with the pros and cons of public versus private ownership; so that we can make an educated decision as to how much more is really necessary.

What you are doing now is creating a crisis for each parcel of private land that you want to buy so that you can drum up public support for each little purchase with out us knowing your complete objective. If you need more critical habitat; start exchanging, not so critical, public land for the private land that you need.

I do not support any more private land purchase with public funds.

Keri Hile

From: To:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

Cc: Subject: Keri Hile Jeff Lawrence **CD** Request

Date:

Monday, August 25, 1997 11:04AM

>From: "Cristóbal García García" <cristobalgar@nexo.es> >To: <ospic@calvino.alaska.net>
>Date: Sat, 16 Aug 1997 12:47:37 +0200
>X-MSMail-Priority: Normal



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

> Like a oil products consumer I am very interesting in the environemental >effects of the Valdez accident in Alaska, my profession is Environmental >Biologist. Please send me a copy of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Research and >Restoration CD-ROM.

> My address is:

>CRISTOBAL GARCIA GARCIA >MARTINEZ MALDONADO, 50., 4º IZDA >29007-MALAGA >SPAIN

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Keri Hile

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To: Subject: Keri Hile Pauls and Lara Lakes area of Afognak Isl

Date:

Monday, August 25, 1997 11:03AM

Original Subject:

Pauls and Lara Lakes area of Afognak Island

More comments

JL



TRUSTEE COUNCIL

>X-Sender: zafrenpp@pop.corecom.net
>Date: Fri, 15 Aug 1997 15:53:32 -0900
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>From: zafren@corecom.net (Ken Zafren, MD)
>Subject: Pauls and Lara Lakes area of Afognak Island
>
>To Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
>
>Please purchase all of North Afognak Island, especially the "Pauls and
>Laura Lakes" area, which was the highest rated habitat in the Trustee
>Council process. This is a wonderful opportunity to save all of North
>Afognak from clearcutting. Please use "Restoration Reserve" funds to
>acquire this habitat.
>
>Sincerely yours,
>
>Ken Zafren, MD
> Ken Zafren, MD, FACEP, FAAEM
>10181 Curvi St. Anchorage, AK 99516 USA
>phone: +1 907 346 2333 fax: +1 907 346-4445
>e-mail: zafren@corecom.net



TRUSTEE COUNCIL

16935 Park Place St. #4 Eagle River AK 99579 August 12, 1997

Exnon Valdey Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage AK 99501

Dear Trustee Council Members:

It is my understanding that the Expon Valdey Settlement Trustee Cowncil is considering the purchase of parts of Afograph Island to protect fish and other wildlife pubitat on the island. I surge that this be done as quickly as possible.

Lince much of the island in private hards has already been logged, with its attendant destruction of wildlife habitat, it is imperative to act as swiftly as possible. All of the island east of the national Wildlife Refuge and last of Rozapof Day should be bought. Especially the Pauls and Jaura Lakes area should be on the top of your purchase list.

There could be no betteruse of settlement funds.

Sincerely yours, Owen K. Hughes



Dear Trustee Council Member, EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Fundad like to all my voice in urging you to purchase North Agograf Island. Kalink and the Surrounding islands is a place I have long wanted to visit. On an active backpacker and Kayaker I treasure the few truly will places remaining.

I also would like to remind you of the biological survey done by the Exan-Valdey Settlement Trustee Council (you guys), which highly rated North Afograk Is., especially the area surrounds Paulo Lake + Loura Lake.

In recognizing the biological and ecological importance of this area I am greatly concerned with the possibility that these lands may be logged. You must realize that logging activities, clear cutting or extended that legative impact on the land. I am concerned that the island could not necessary from this damage, especially after the stress caused by the cile spill. As a student just out of high school who plans on living in alaska, I have a long time about to watch our wild lands and the debates and issues surrounding them I will also get to watch as my favorite forests are sold off and the best tramping

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that you use some of the Restoration Reserve funds to acquire this land, or so much or is feasible. This would not only mean a lot to me and many others, but would preserve some of the best wildlife habitat in the Guly-according even to your own seewey.

Thank you for your time,

Bridget J. Jawle
Bridget L. Paule
3701 Laron Ln., Anch. 99504

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7806 Linda Lane Anchorage, AK 99518 Aug 13, 1997

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501



Dear Trustee Council Member: TRUSTEE COUNCIL

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL

I strongly unge you to purchase all of North Afognak Island, especially the "Pauls & Laura Lakes area. This should certainly be given priority. I would unge on to use the Restoration Reserve funds for this purchase.

a friend of mine kayaked this area & described its beauty & would like to see it some day. Thank you for your

concern.

Sincerely, William M Lox MO

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center Keri Hile

To: Subject:

Afognak Island

Date:

Monday, August 11, 1997 1:41PM

>Date: Sun, 10 Aug 1997 21:55:03 -0700 >From: Susan Negus <senegus@Alaska.NET>
>Organization: Viral Hepatits
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: Afognak Island >Dear Trustee Council Member; >We urge you to protect prime fish and wildlife habitat on North Afognak.
> We urge you to purchase all of North Afognak Island, prioritizing the
> "Pauls and Laura Lakes" area. This is our last chance to save North >Afognak lands from clearcutting. We urge you to use the "Restoration >Reserve" Funds for this habitat acquisition.
>Sincerely,

- >Susan Negus >P.O. Box 101104
- >Anchorage, AK 99514-1004



From: To: Oil Spill Public Information Center

Subject:

Keri Hile Re: North Afognak

Date:

Tuesday, August 12, 1997 1:51PM

>From: greyrock@interserv.com
>Date: Mon, 11 Aug 1997 16:18:32 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: Re: North Afognak
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>
>Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
>
>Dear Trustee Council Member:
>We urge you to protect prime fish and wildlife habitat on North Afgoknak. We
>urge you to purchase all of North Afgoknak Island, prioritising the "Paul and"

>Laura Lakes" area. This is our last chance to save North Afgoknak lands from >clearcutting. We urge you to use the "Restoration Reserve" funds for this

>habitat acquisition.

>Sincerely

>Olcay Bozkaya >12841 Lupine Rd.

>Anchorage, AK 99516

>

From: To:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

Subject:

Keri Hile North Afognak Island

Date:

Friday, August 15, 1997 2:17PM

>Date: Tue, 12 Aug 1997 16:15:29 -0800 >From: Richard Crisci <asrlc5@UAA.ALASKA.EDU> >Subject: North Afognak Island >To: ospic@alaska.net

>Dear Trustee Council Member:

I am concerned about the protection of prime fish and wildlife habitat >on North Afognak Island and urge you to purchase the wildlands there, >giving priority to the "Pauls and Laura Lakes" area. It appears this is our >last chance to save North Afognak lands from clearcutting so I am asking >you to use the "Restoration Reserve" funds for this acquisition.

Sincerely, Richard Crisci 10160 Craig Creek Anchorage, AK 99516

Richard Crisci, 04:15 PM 8/12/97/, North Afognak Island

Date: Tue, 12 Aug 1997 16:15:29 -0800

From: Richard Crisci <asrlc5@UAA.ALASKA.EDU>

Subject: North Afognak Island

To: ospic@alaska.net

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you to use the "Restoration Reserve" funds for this acquisition.

Sincerely, Richard Crisci 10160 Craig

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Anchorage, AK

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Keri-G Public Comment.



From: To: Oil Spill Public Information Center Keri Hile

Subject:

Afognak

Date:

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Tuesday, August 12, 1997 1:52PM

>Date: Tue, 12 Aug 1997 14:57:44 -0400
>From: Jim Adams <ADAMSJ@nwf.org>
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: Afognak
>Content-Disposition: inline
>
>Dear Trustee Council Member:
>
>The top priority of the Trustee Council should be habitat aquisition.
>No more research boondoggles for the state! I urge you to purchase
>all of North Afognak Island, prioritizing the "Pauls and Laura Lakes"
>area, to spare the island further clearcutting.
>
>Sincerely,
>
>Jim Adams
>3105 Northwood Dr.
>Anchorage, AK 99517
>(907) 243-1850
>jadams@nwf.org



From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To: Subject: Keri Hile

Re: Afognak

Date:

Tuesday, August 12, 1997 1:52PM

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>Date: Tue, 12 Aug 1997 09:45:43 -0800
>From: smunt@arctic.net (Thomas Hunt)
>Reply-To: smunt@arctic.net
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>CC: Alaska Center for the Environment <akcenter@alaska.net>
>Subject: Re: Afognak
>I write to urge protection of the North Afognak ecosystem.
>Clearcutting, particularly in the Pauls and Laura Lakes area, will
>threaten the biodiversity that is such a precious resource in one of the >last wild areas on earth. Please apply the "Restoration Reserve" funds
>for protective aquisition.
>Thank you.
>Thomas K. Hunt, M.D.
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From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To:

Keri Hile

Subject:

Protect Prime Habitat on Northern Afogna

Date:

Tuesday, August 12, 1997 1:51PM

Original Subject:

Protect Prime Habitat on Northern Afognak Island

Hi Keri-

I'm guessing that you would have told me by now if I'm sending these comments to the wrong person. I think there is a couple more after this one as well. Thanks :-)

Jeff

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>Date: Mon, 11 Aug 1997 14:20:25 -0800 (AKDT)
>X-Sender: jrc@alaska.net (Unverified)
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>From: Randy Carter <jrc@Alaska.NET>
>Subject: Protect Prime Habitat on Northern Afognak Island
>

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council Members:
>

I am writing to request that you protect prime fish and wildlife habitat on
>North Afognak. I strongly urge you to purchase all of North Afognak Island,
>prioritizing the "Pauls and Laura Lakes" area. This is our last chance to
>save North Afognak lands from clearcutting. Please use funds from the
>"Restoration Reserve" for this habitat acquisition.
>
>James R. Carter
>3505 Woodland Park Drive
>Anchorage, AK 99517
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From: To: Oil Spill Public Information Center

Subject:

Keri Hile <none>

Date:

Monday, August 11, 1997 1:40PM

Keri-

another comment

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>Date: Sun, 10 Aug 1997 09:52:16 -0800
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>From: Alaska Denali Guiding <adg@Alaska.NET>
>To Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council,
>I am writting to encourage you to protect northern Afognak island. This >is an incredible area (I fished around and lived on Afognak the winter of
>1976) and it is a sad state of affairs to see this unique area clear cut.
>Please use your restoration reserve fund to aquire this area. The future
>people of Alaska deserve to have the remaining untouched part of this >island as it is. Please purchase it for all of Alaskans.
>Sincerely,
>Sincerely,
>Diane Calamar Okonek, Director
>Alaska-Denali Guiding, Inc.
>P.O. Box 566
>Talkeetna, Alaska 99676
>Ph. 907-733-2649
>www.alaska.net/~adg/
>Diane Calamar Okonek, Director
>Alaska-Denali Guiding, Inc.
>P.O. Box 566
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Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501 PO Box 2905
Palmer, AK 99645-2905
August 9 1997
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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Trustee Council Member:

I understand that you are considering the purchase of land on North Afognak for wildlands habitat.

Hurrah! Please do so immediately!

Massive clearcutting looms as the death threat to this prime land. With clearcutting comes the usual: detrimental effects to the fish and wildlife. Please purchase the whole island. Make the Pauls and Laura Lakes area your top priority.

Please, please, please do not diddle and delay and miss the opportunity to preserve what is left. Act now.

Be in complete assurance that the public is aware of your proceedings, and supports you in this. I can think of no better way to spend Exxon oil spill monies. This is exactly in line with your mission. Move forward now with your Restoration Reserve funds. Acquire the prime habitat.

If you've been in an airplane lately, looking down on land between Anchorage and Seattle, you should know all too well how little contiguous prime habitat is left in the big picture.

Thank you for acting on behalf of all our long-term good.

Supportively,

Ellen Vande Visse

Ellen Vande Visse

From: To:

Oil Spill Public Information Center Keri Hile North Afognak

Subject:

Date:

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Monday, August 11, 1997 1:41PM

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>X-Originating-IP: [199.165.105.246]
>From: "mike frank" <mjfrank@hotmail.com>
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: North Afognak
>Date: Sun, 10 Aug 1997 17:54:47 PDT
>Dear Trustee Council:
> I support purchase of all of North Afognak Island, prioritizing the 
>Pauls and Laura Lakes area. Please use restoration reserve funds for
>this purc. Thank you. >Mike Frank
>Get Your Private, Free Email at http://www.hotmail.com
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TRUSTEE COUNCIL

August 10, 1997

Exxon-Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage AK 99501

Dear Council Members:

I have long been impressed with your work to diligently use the Exxon-Valdez settlement wisely.

Recently I received a mailing from the Alaska Center for the Environment outlining their concerns about Afognak Island. I know that your efforts have helped protect a large portion of that land, but I have always been concerned that the integrity of the island's wilderness would suffer, even so.

I urge you to give attention to northern Afognak Island and the Pauls and Laura Lakes area. We have only one chance to keep this prime habitat from becoming just another clearcut.

Sincerely,

Kristian Erickson



From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To:

Keri Hile

Subject: Date: North Afognak (Paul/Laura lakes) Monday, August 11, 1997 1:40PM

Keri-

Here's another.

>Date: Sat, 09 Aug 1997 13:55:13 -0700
>From: "Charles M. Springer" <springer@corecom.net>
>Reply-To: springer@corecom.net
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>CC: akcenter@alaska.net
>Subject: North Afognak (Paul/Laura lakes)
>
>I beleive that using the Exxon-Valdez money to protect North Afognak is
>appropriate . While I am sure that the competing interests for this
>money are enormous, protecting a resource so accessible to the majority
>of Alaska citizens should be a priority. Thank You. Charles M. Springer
>PO box 230490 Anchorage, Ak 99523

>

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To:

Keri Hile Afognak

Subject: Date:

Monday, August 11, 1997 1:39PM

Hi Keri-

I normally route these kind of e-mails to Eric. I thought you might know what to do with it.

JL

>Date: Sat, 9 Aug 1997 07:43:05 -0800

>Subject: Afognak

>From: Nina Faust <fausbail@xyz.net>

>To: "Exxon Valdez Trustee Council" <ospic@alaska.net>

>Dear Trustee Council Member,

Mina Faust

General Welivery

Homer, ak 99403

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se years
sof
ne Comment letter >We have visited Afognak Island. In fact, we did seabird surveys on >both Shuyak and Afognak for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service years >ago, so we are familiar with the incredible biological resources of >this area. We urge you to protect this extremely valuable, prime
>habitat for fish and wildlife by purchasing all of North Afognak
>Island, with a priority on the "Pauls and Laura Lakes" area. We
>suggest using the "Restoration Reserve" funds to purchase these lands.

>Afognak is a very unique island habitat that should not be clearcut. >Thank you for your consideration. Nina Faust and Edgar Bailey

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Dear Truste: Council Members:

I am writing to express my concern about the threat of logging operations on the beautiful vand essential habital on morth afognat. I have not been to apognat Island, I have kayaked extensively at nearly Shuyak Island and spent time hiking on Kodiak Island. The Kodiak archipelago is a globally significant and unique area that deserves protection.

Please do all that you can to appropriate aettlement funds to purchase all of North Afognat Island to protect it from clear-cutting. This area, especially the Pauls and Laura Lakes, are essential habitat for a diverse assemblage of forest-dwelling, coastal, and marine wildlife (and given the highest rank in your own evoluntion process). Given all the distruction on afognak already, protecting the precisions habitat that remains has become all the more important. Thank you.

Sincerely, Pamela K. Miller

Po box 101802 Anchorage AK



Nearly 30 species of birds remain year-round in the boreal forests of Alaska and Canada, despite winter temperatures that may drop to -50° F (-45.6° C). The winter birds shown in the painting are common visitors to bird feeders in boreal forest regions. They can be easily attracted with high oil-content sunflower seeds and suet (animal fat). The birds keep warm during winter by fluffing out their dense feathers, by eating high-energy foods, and by seeking out sheltered places to roost at night. Pine grosbeaks and gray jays spend winter nights in the shelter of spruce boughs. Woodpeckers dig out winter roost holes in tree trunks. Chickadees also roost in holes in trees, but they rely mainly on holes previously excavated by woodpeckers. Several chickadees may share a single roost hole, thus helping each other stay warm. Redpolls, perhaps the hardiest of winter birds, sometimes roost in snowbanks. The temperature beneath a thick blanket of snow can be 20° F (11° C) or more warmer than the air.

The painting on this card was done by Sue Quinlan, an artist and naturalist who lives in Fairbanks, Alaska. Cards and full size reproductions suitable for framing (approximately 16 x 40 inches; 41 x 101 cm) are available from Pacific Natureworks, P.O. Box 82115, Fairbanks, AK 99708.

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Pamela K. Miller 10 Box 101802 Anchorage AK 99510

Dear Trustees

I urse you to increase
The amount of money set aside
to protect Atognak Island.
Protection of the oncient forest
of north Atognak should be
a high priority. These lands
must be protected and
preserved
Sincerely



Peter Zadis 11564 220th St. Jamaica, NY 11411-1161





EVOS Trustees 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

8/4/97

EVOS Trustees 645 G Street Anchorage, Ak 99501

May I urge you to purchase forest lands on Afognak Island that include the lands of: Paul and Laura Lakes; Shugak and Afognak Lake. I am familiar with Kodiak Island and Afognak and consider using funds for protection of these areas of the highest priority.

Sincerely,

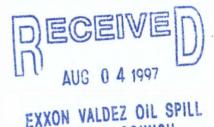
Phyllis Benham

P.O. Box 1823
Mammoth Lakes, Ca
93546



July 30, 1997

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



TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Council Members:

The Chequamegon Audubon Society strongly supports, applauds, and commends you for acquiring and protecting 42,000 acres on the east side of Afognak Island. We urge you to continue to acquire important habitats on Afognak Island.

Afognak Island is a critical part of the Kodiak archipelago. It has ancient rainforests that sustain abundant wildlife. Private timber companies are clearcutting these rainforests.

We particularly recommend acquisitions of Paul's and Laura Lakes, Shugak Strait, Afognak Lake, Molina Bay, Paramanof Bay, and linkages with Afognak Island State Park.

We also recommend increasing the amount of funds available for these acquisitions.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Leon Solberg, President Chequamegon Audubon Society 616 Main Street West

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Ashland, WI 54806

645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 907/278-8012 fax: 907/276-7178



September 15, 1997

Leon Solberg, President Chequamegon Audubon Society 616 Main Street West Ashland, WI 54806

Dear Mr. Solberg:

Thank you for your recent letter in support of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council's efforts to protect habitat on Afognak Island. As you may know, the Trustee Council has already made a substantial purchase of lands on northern Afognak when it successfully acquired more than 41,500 acres at Seal Bay/Tonki Cape for \$39.5 million in 1993. This area has since been designated as the Afognak Island State Park.

Efforts to negotiate the purchase and protection of additional habitat on Afognak Island are on-going. In May of this year, the Trustee Council took formal action to offer to purchase additional lands on northern Afognak and allocated an additional \$70 million for that purpose. It should be noted that this is the largest single commitment of funds for a land purchase by the Council. The Council's offer provided for outright purchase of 20,000 acres in the Laura/Paul's Lake area as well as other lands. Since the Council first made this offer, it has been declined by the landowners, the Afognak Joint Venture. However, the Council is continuing with negotiations to try and develop a new proposal that will meet both the goals of restoration and the landowner interests.

Thank you again for your letter. Please know that the Trustee Council is very interested in public comment on restoration activities and a copy of your comments will be provided to each of the Council members.

Sincerely,

Molly McCammon **Executive Director**

Melly Mc Cam

Eric Myers

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>Date: Wed, 23 Jul 1997 08:03:59 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Connie Economou <connie@mil02sbx1c.Ebay.Sun.COM>
>Reply-To: Connie Economou <connie@mil02sbx1c.Ebay.Sun.COM>
>Subject: Please purchase important habitat on Afognak Island
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Content-MD5: yscAz3gGqS8ok47GS7+FXA==
>
>I urge you to use the Exxon Valdez Trust monies to purchase the following
>ares on Afognak Iland: Paul's and Laura Lake and key parcels which would
>link units of Afognak Island State Park. Also, please protect Paramanof
>and Malina Bays by purchasing them from the Native Corporations.
>
>Sincerely,

>
>Constantina Economou
>10 Panoramic Way
>Berkeley, CA 94704
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3710 Ember Spring Drive Kingwood, TX 77339-1932 July 4, 1997

Dear Sir or Madam,

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Please purchase important habitat lands on Afognak Island. In particular, Paul's and Laura Lakes, Shugak Strait, Afognak Lake and key parcels to link units of Afognak Island State Park, and lands around Paramanof & Malina Bays. To do this, you will need to increase the amount of money set aside to protect Afognak. This is our last opportunity to protect remaining pristine lands on this island.

Cordially,

Robert Markeloff

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 907/278-8012 fax: 907/276-7178



July 21, 1997

Robert Markeloff 3710 Ember Spring Drive Kingwood, Texas 77339-1932

Dear Mr. Markeloff:

Thank you for your comment in support of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council's efforts to protect habitat on Afognak Island. As you may know, the Council has already made a substantial acquisition on northern Afognak when it successfully purchased more than 41,500 acres at Seal Bay/Tonki Cape for \$39.5 million in 1993. This area has since been designated as Afognak Island State Park.

In May of this year, the Council offered to purchase additional lands on Afognak and allocated another \$70 million for that purpose. This is the largest single commitment of funds for a land purchase by the Council. In order to maximize the acreage to be protected, the Council offer had two parts. The first provided for outright purchase of 20,000 acres in the Laura/Paul's Lake area. The second part proposed to acquire an additional 27,000 acres that would be subject to a negotiated, limited timber harvest plan. The State of Alaska would take title to the land following the limited harvest. While outright purchase of all the lands would be preferred, high timber values required that the Council try and develop a proposal to protect the maximum acreage possible. I should let you know that since the Council first made this offer, it has been declined by the landowners, the Afognak Joint Venture. However, the Council is continuing to try and develop a new proposal that will meet both the goals of restoration and the landowner interests.

Thank you again for your comment. Please know that the Trustee Council is very interested in public comment on restoration activities and a copy of your comments will be provided to each of the Council members.

Sincerely,

Dear Trustee's;

purchase being negotiated for Afognak Island.

I am urging you to move those
negotiations right along for the purchase of
these important habitat lands, in particular
Taul's and Laura Lakes, Shugak Straight and
Afognak Lake.

In addition key parcels which would
link units of Afognak Island State Pk.

Please increase the amount of money
you have set aside to protect Afognak, it is
of the utmost importance we protect the
remaining prestine lands on the island.
Thank You.



Sincerely

Mr. G.R. La Palme

TRUSTEE COUNCIL

July 15, 1997

EVOS Trustees
645 G St.

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Anchorage, Glaska 99501 EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Please purchase important lands on Afognak Island, which contains an ancient forest. In particular, Paul's and Laura Lakes, Shugak Strait, and Afognak Lakes should be bought and preserved. Lands around Paramanof and Malina Bays are breath taking in their beauty and worth preserving.

also, please increase the amount of money to be set aside to protect afognak. This is the final chance to preserve the remaining pristine lands on the island. Please do your best for appreciate your afforts in behalf of our wild and beautiful lands that our children's children should be able to appreciate.

Sincerely.

Sincerely, M. Ruth niswander 622 Barbera Javis, Ca. 95616

645 G Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 907/278-8012 fax: 907/276-7178



July 21, 1997

M. Ruth Niswander 622 Barbera Davis, CA 95616

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July 21, 1997

M. Ruth Niswander 622 Barbera Davis, CA 95616

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EVOS Trustees 645 G. Street Anchorage, AK 99501

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Eric Myers

From:

Oil Spill Public Information Center

To: Subject: Eric Myers Afognak Island

Date:

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Monday, July 07, 1997 11:27AM

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>Date: Sat, 5 Jul 1997 14:47:34 -0400 (EDT)
>To: ospic@alaska.net
>Subject: Afognak Island
>July 5, 1997
>EVOS Trustees
>645 G Street
>Anchorage, AK 99501
>EVOS Trustee Council:
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>Paul's Lake, Laura Lake, Shugak Strait, Afognak Lake, Paramanof and Malina
>Bays are all areas of Afognak that need protection.
>We urge you to use remaining moneys from fines paid by Exxon Corporation as a >result of the 1989 oil spill disaster to purchase important habitat lands on
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>Sincerely,
>Cheryl and Jordon Bluestein
>3183 Wayside Plaza #114
>Walnut Creek, CA 94596
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3 July 1997

EVOS Trustees 645 G. Street Anchorage, AK 99501



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Trustees:

I would like to like to urge the Council to use most of the money remaining in the restoration and research reserves for **habitat acquisition** on Afognak Island. I believe that habitat acquisition is much more urgent than other non-protective uses of the fines.

I would request the Council to set its sights on protecting the ancient forests of North Afognak Island, in particular Paul's and Laura Lakes. Other important areas are Shugak Strait and Afognak Lake. Key parcels which would link Afognak State Park should also be a high priority. The lands around Paramanof and Malina Bays are also extraordinarily beautiful and worth protecting. I thank you for previously protecting lands in Afognak Island, now you should do more.

Sincerely,

Marc Olson

Box 185

Barrett, MN 56311

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

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Marc Olsen P.O. Box 185 Barrett, MN 56311

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Molly McCammon Executive Director

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I have been a Kodiak resident for 57 years. In that amount of time there sure have been a lot of changes in Alaska, and in Kodiak. I feel pretty lucky to have spent so much time in such a special community, with family, good friends, and good times. For certain, one of the things that I've liked most about living here is the wealth of opportunity that we have to enjoy the lands and waters of one of the greatest spots in Alaska.

Lately. I've been real concerned about Afognak Island, and what's been happening to so many of the places that I used to enjoy on my hunting and fishing trips. I felt it was time to speak up about a few things, and I hope other folks will too.

Clearcut logging has gotten way out of hand on Afognak. I might qualify my comments by pointing out that I've owned and managed a lumber yard for 23 years. We all need and use wood, but I see a big difference between forest operations which pick some trees here and there, and these clear cut-it-all operations. If you are going to sustain the land for other uses, you need to leave a good portion of the trees behind, to provide cover for wildlife, and good watersheds for fisheries... (almost the whole island) over to I just don't see that happening up on Afognak, and I think it's tragic.

Afognak started out as our country's first forest reserve, it was set aside for the conservation and research of fisheries. President Benjamin Harrison created the "Afognak Forest and getting ready to log out the Pauls Fish Culture Reserve" in 1892, after government researchers raised alarms about damage to salmon populations, from mining, important part of our commerlogging, and poor management of fisheries in the Lower 48. Afognak was known for its fisheries values, and it was remote and undeveloped. At the time it was viewed as the perfect place to study fisheries conservation and fish habitat.

Afognak is special in that it

Guest opinion

By Norm Sutliff

was set aside before we even had a U.S. Forest Service or a national forest system. In 1908, President Teddy Roosevelt added Afognak to the Chugach National Forest, with a directive that it continue to be managed for fisheries conservation and research. Afognak stayed pretty much pristine until the early 1970s when the U.S. Forest Service proposed the Peronosa timber sale.

In 1970, this new Peronosa timber plan angered a lot of people in Kodiak. Many folks spoke against it, including the Borough Assembly, and Kodiak's state representative. The Peronosa sale was withdrawn, and for good reason. Unfortunately, what the government had in mind seems mild when you compare it to what has happened to Afognak since then.

A 1981 act of Congress turned the national forest on Afognak private corporation ownership. It seems like the result has been one. big clearcut, from bow to stern.

Afognak still has some great places, I've always hoped something might happen to keep some of the best areas in one big piece. I understand the corporations are and Laura Lake area. That is truly tragic. The Pauls and Laura Lakes are a very valuable and cial fisheries system. I am well familiar with the area, having worked maintaining the two fish ladders, prior to statehood, and traveling up to recreationally fish at least three times a year for 45 vears. It's one of the nicest places I know. I can't believe somebody would try to cut down

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served on the Kodlak Fish and the Editor's pay them to do to to have to do b Kodiak Audubon P.O. Box 1756 Kodiak, AK 99615

Frank Rue, Commissioner
Alaska Department of Fish and Game
1255 West 8th Street
Juneau, AK 99501-1795

June 30, 1997

Dear Mr Rue,

Attached is a recent guest editorial from a long time Kodiak resident. Our group shares Mr. Sutliff's concern over excessive clearcut logging on Afognak, and we hope that the Trustees will be successful in their negotiations to protect important resources like the Pauls and Laura Lake area.

We appreciate the EVOS Council's efforts to protect key fish and wildlife habitat on Kodiak and Afogank. Please keep up the good work on this important and successful program.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Forbes

President, Kodiak Audubon Society

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KODIAK SEINERS ASSOCIATION

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April 1, 1997

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

Dear Sirs:

A disaster of great proportion is scheduled to happen this coming spring-the logging of the Paul's Lake and Laura Lake drainage on Afognak Island. This portion of Afognak is one of the most productive and critical habitats on the island. It is a main producer of red, silver, and pink salmon, for sport and commercial fishermen. The north end of Afognak is the most prolific producer of wildlife and fish, (both fresh and saltwater) of the whole Northern islands.

I have lived on Afognak at different times, and on all coasts of the island and can personally attest to the uniqueness of the north side of Afognak.

The "jewel" of the island is the Red Lake/Red Peak area in the northwest corner. This small piece stretches from Blue Fox Bay to Waterfall Bay. This area is also different from all other portions of the island. There is abundant salmon habitat as well as the largest herd of elk and the largest concentration of the sea otter habitat.

This area supports the northern and westernmost single species stand or monoculture of old growth forest. As you know, old growth forests are being logged at an exponential rate. This makes this piece of land uniquely qualified to receive your most special attention. To date, the Council has exercised its protection of this unique part of Alaska well, but there is one tract left which requires immediate protection—the north section of Afognak.

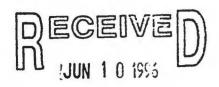
Kodiak Seiners Association urges you to not let this opportunity pass.

Sincerely,

Bruce Schactler

cc:

Governor Tony Knowles



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

909 Mission Rd. Kodiak, AK 99615

2 June, 1996

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council 645 G St., Suite 402 Anchorage, AK 99501

Richard Midestal

Dear Council members,

We firmly believe that the lasting legacy of your work as Exxon Trustees will be the land that you protect in parks and refuges. We urge you to purchase, on behalf of the citizens of Alaska, and indeed the world, the land being offered in the Paul's and Laura Lakes area on Afognak Island.

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Sincerely,

Rich and Molly MacIntosh

PHONE COMMENT LOG

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Daniel Busch

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April 15, 1997

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501



TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Council Members,

Once again we would like to voice our concern over the further development of Pauls and Laura Lakes on Afognak Island. It is our understanding that these areas may begin to be heavily clear cut beginning this year. Action of this sort would be an ecological tragedy.

Your files should contain previous letters from us regarding this matter. I also testified before the council last June in Kodiak. Both our letters and the testimony include detailed comments and references to our experiences with this area.

We continue to urge you to do everything you can to guarantee that these ecosystems on the north end of Afognak remain unlogged, protecting plants and wildlife, and providing people with the chance to experience this unique habitat.

Randy R. Busch

Sincerely,

Daniel and Randy Busch

P.O. Box 2282

Phone: 907-463-3038 Fax: 907.463.3280

Juneau, AK 99802



Sustainable recreation and tourism for a quality habre March 13, 1996

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

Re: Habitat Protection and Acquisition Program

As Executive Director of the Alaska Wilderness Recreation and Tourism Association (AWRTA) I would like to extend my support and thanks to the Trustees' for their continued efforts to further the habitat protection and acquisition program. In the comprehensive, balanced, ecosystem approach endorsed by the Trustees, habitat protection and acquisition is a means of restoring not only injured resources but also the services dependent on those resources.

However, AWRTA members have expressed concern about equal allocation of these funds. To date \$161.5 million of the \$375 million earmarked for habitat protection and acquisition has been spent; yet, some of the most seriously affected resources within the oil spill region remain threatened. While AWRTA recognizes the parameters within which the Trustee Council must work to successfully complete the complex negotiations, we would like to encourage the Trustee Council to now focus on Prince William Sound and the Kenai Peninsula.

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Thank you for your time and consideration of this issue.

Sincerely

Steve Behnke

Executive Director



The National Outdoor Leadership School Alaska Branch PO Box 981. Palmer, Alaska 99645-0981 907-745-4047 Fax 907-745-6069

Don Ford
Branch Director

March 12, 1996

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

Re: Habitat Acquisition in Southwestern Prince William Sound

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As a consequence of the Exxon Valdez oil spill, recreation in Prince William Sound (PWS) has been significantly affected. Recreationalists are still steking areas that have not been disturbed by the spill and heretofore received little in more use. Moreover, areas that have been previously impacted by recreation are now seeing additional visitation.

NOLS is concerned that Southwestern Prince William Sound not be overlooked when making acquisitions. To date \$161.5 million of the \$375 million earmarked for habitat protection and acquisition has been spent; yet, some of the most seriously affected resources within the oil spill region remain threatened. While we recognize the parameters within which the Trustee council must work to successfully complete the complex negotiations, we would like to encourage the Trustee Council to now focus on Southwestern Prince William Sound

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Specifically, we encourage the Trustees to focus on the following areas:

Dangerous Passage South end of Knight Island East side of Knight Island Chenega Island Bainbridge/Evans/LaTouche Islands

We appreciate your efforts in soliciting public input and look forward to the progression of the habitat acquisition program. Thank, ou for your time and consideration of this issue.

Don Ford

Director NOLS Alaska



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December 15th, 1994.

Exxon Trustee Council Members, 645 "G" Street, Anchorage AK 99501

FAX: 276-7178

Dear Trustee Courcil Members,

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU for making such a generous offer to ASV for the Afograk Island lands at the December 2nd meeting. You are making a large difference in the quality of life for the Kodlak Islands community.

Our hopes and prayers will be constantly with you for the bargaining process that everyones minds will be clear, with quick recall, future insight and the ability to put honourable thoughts into easily understood words. May there be an amicable spirit by both regotiating teams, as has existed in the past.

We, of course, are following this entire process and have considerable admiration for all those taking part in the process. Lead on !

Condially,

Roy & Shannon Randall, Lognah Wilderness Lodge. December 14, 1994

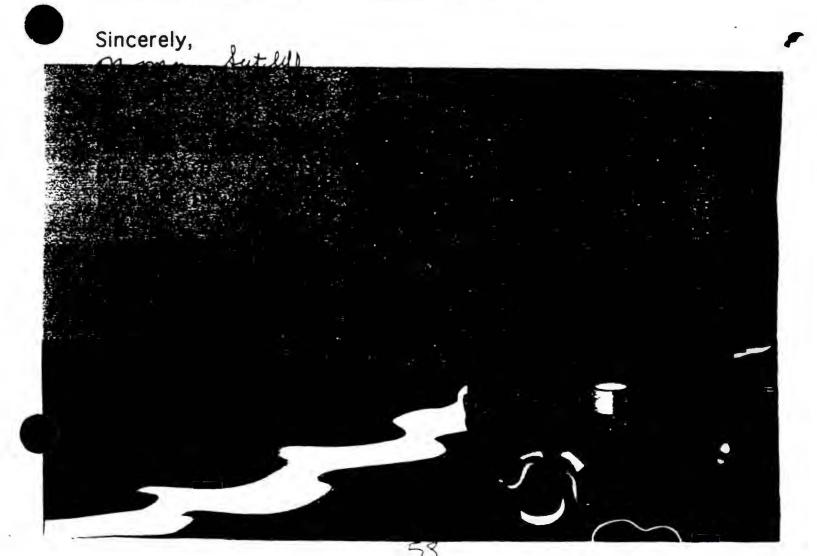
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Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501 IXYON

Dear Mr. Ayers,

<u>Thanks!</u> For your propsals tosave the north end of Afognak Island from the chain saw. If this becomes a reality our grandchildren will be forever greatful.

Merry Christmas and a No Logging New Year!







Daniel Busch

P.O. Box 1162 Kodiak, Alaska 99615

(907) 486-5310

December 13, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska: 99501 DEC 16 1994

TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Council Members;

We would like to thank you for your efforts to protect the lands and habitat on the northend of Afognak. We appreciate the commitment that you have shown and would like to encourage you to continue these same efforts in the months ahead:

Sincerely

Daniel and Randy Buschs

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New year.

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To the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council and Staff:

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Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

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Sincerely,

Philip A. Turner

Lee Dollar 1916 Harriman Ln Redondo Beach, CA 90278

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G St. Anchorage, AK 99509

Dear Trustees,

Government studies show that, five years after the Exxon Valdez oil spill, most populations of injured wildlife, including sea otters, seals, harlequin ducks, murrelets, and wild salmon, have not yet begun to recover. These species depend on the rain forest for their continued existence. However, large areas of forest along the 1500 mile stretch of coastline affected by the spill are scheduled for clearcutting in the near future.

The \$600 million from the settlement paid by Exxon that the Council controls can be utilized to permanently protect this unique and precious region along the Gulf of Alaska. Many of the Native-owned corporations that control inholdings scheduled for logging would prefer to sell the lands or timber rights for habitat protection, rather than see them logged.

I strongly urge you to spend ALL of the settlement funds to acquire the private lands within Chugach National Forest, Kenai Fjords National Park, Afognak Island, and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. Only in this way can the wildlife populations of the region recover.

Sincerely,

Lee Dollar

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To: Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council

Fax: \$07-276-7178

November 30th, 1994

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From: Shaun & Esther Montgomery 3360 Sorenson Rd Ellensburg, Wa 98926 509-968-3429

Dear Trustee Council,

We understand that the purchase of of land on Afognak Island is still up for a council vote. We were under the impression that the decision had been made to purchase this land or you would have heard from us sooner. If it is all right, we would like for our voices to be heard in somehow encouraging you to make this purchase as soon as possible.

Please understand that we are not environmental extremists or any thing of the kind, in fact, in the past we have made our livelihood working in the logging industry here in the state of Washington. The reason behind this letter is that both of us have lived on Afognak Island for extended periods of time and have seen what type of irreparable damage that is being done by the logging, and at the rate of speed it is being done. Here in Washington there is slash cleanup, tree reseeding, and watershed protection, as well as no clear cutting. On Afognak there is none of these. We have been hunting, and fishing both on Afognak and have seen in several locations where there has been logging right down to the waters edge on active salmon streams in Seal Bay.

Again please understand we are not against logging or progressive enterprise, but on Afognak Island the trees do not grow back because of the heavy layer of Katmai volcanic ash. We don't live in Afognak anymore but visit regularly and would hope that our children will have the same chances to hunt, and fish, and enjoy nature there, the same as we did. We feel that, only through your council's vote that the Island's natural balance will be kept in tact.

I worked for Veco on Kodiak in operations during the cleanup, and as dispatcher I sent out hundreds of beach cleaners and bird cleaners as well as dispatching hundreds of vessels in support positions. I know the effort your company has gone to, to make the spill right with Alaska. I can think of nothing that would be better for the state than to buy this land and help preserve it. I own my own company now but if you want any references on my integrity, contact anyone who worked in Kodiak on the spill, they all knew of me. Both Esther and myself feel very strong about Afognak and feel the best decision possible will be made by your council vote.

Sincerely.

Shaun & Esther Montgomer

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To the Exxon trustee council resident and commercial fishermen I am writing you concerning what is left of one of the most beautiful printine Islands in the world. You are the only ones that can save its wonderfull streams from sitting in Its beautiful lust green mossy beds torn to sheds.
Yes ones they clear cut those three hundred year ald tree from the north end of Afognal shland, it looks like a stonic bromb had just hilled every living thing. The Elh herd has dropped in half, because of lack of habitat directly resulting from clear cutting please help is some waterfall bay, Blue Fox Bay, Red Fox bay. Sincerely Michael Patituci

KODIAK CONSERVATION NETWORK

Information, Direction, Education, Action

P.O Box 2661, Kodiak, Alaska 99615 Phone: (907)486-4684 Fax: (907)486-7651

November 30, 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council Attention: Jim Ayers, Executive Director 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Sirs:

The Kodiak Conservation Network (KCN) was formed as a direct result of the impacts of the Exxon Valdez oil spill (EVOS) on our personal and professional lives. Our members have actively worked toward the development of effective spill prevention and response measures for Kodiak, as well as oil spill impact mitigation strategies that benefit the community and the surrounding marine ecosystem.

KCN strongly urges the Trustees Council to purchase the two parcels on north Afognak Island offered for sale by Afognak Joint Venture, Pauls and Laura Lakes and Shuyak Strait (AJVOF and AJVOI). These parcels rank 1st and 3rd among the large parcel evaluation for the Kodiak Region, (1st and 7th among all 81 parcels rank in the entire analysis) and were in the direct path of the oil spilling out of Prince William Sound.

It is clear that the purchase of these lands, along with the Shuyak Island parcel from the Kodiak Island Borough (KIBO1, ranked 5th in Kodiak, 10th overall), have a very high potential to benefit the restoration process in the area impacted by EVOS. Purchasing these lands ties together State park lands with the Red Peaks section of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, permanently protectings on a macro-ecosystem scale, important and varied habitat which will provide longterm health and productivity to both wildlife and human communities while allowing injured resources to recover.

Thank you for putting this irreplaceable habitat back into the public trust.

Sincerely,

Kristin L. Stahl-Johnson, Executive Director Karen Schalka-Turner
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Portland, Oregon 97213
(503) 287-02361

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November 22, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

To Whom It May Concern (and it should be all of us):

I am writing to give you my opinion of possibilities when dealing with funds from the the Exxon Valdez oil spill. I appreciate all that your efforts have done so far, and would like to emphasize the importance of saving the No. h Afognak Island area from further depredations. Although now I live down in Oregon, I worked out of Waterfall Bay for six seasons, and this area deserves the highest priority you can give it. As I was two bays away from the Paul's/ Laura Bays area, I can say with authority that this area is of the tantamount importance to save for future generations. You won't have this opportunity again for a basically untouched, pristine wilderness area this close to Alaskan metropolitan areas. Please, please, please give it your highest priority in the upcoming decision-making period. If you want any more information from someone who has had an intimate working relationship in that area over a six-year period of time, have no hesitation in calling on me at the above-mentioned address. Thank you very much for your time and patience.

Sincercly,

aren M. Schalka-Turner

November 28, 1994

James Ayers
Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Mr. Ayers,

Please coordinate with the Council members to speed the purchase of the Pauls and Laura Lakes system on Afognak Island. This area is very important for a variety of wildlife. The lake system is a top candidate under the Council's rating system, so it makes sense that the area should be a top priority for your land negotiation staff.

All of north Afognak rates high scores under the Council's 1993 biological review. All of the available properties on the north end of the island should be purchased without delay. To wait too long invites loss of these unique and valuable places to the extensive clearcut logging programs which have inundated so much of the island.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration. And thank you for your good work. The Council has undertaken many successful habitat acquisition ventures which the public will benefit from far into the future. Purchasing good fish and wildlife habitat is an excellent use of settlement funds.

I look forward to your December 2nd meeting

Sincerely

Kim Strong

3741 Perenosa Circle Anchorage, AK 99515 Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Trustees.

I am writing to request that you and your staff place a high priority on the purchase of wildlife and fisheries habitat on northern Afognak Island. Your biologists rated this area as some of the choicest habitat out of over one million acres of lands that they recently reviewed. Northern Afognak could be logged in the very near future if we don't act quickly to see that there are viable monetary alternatives for profit seeking landowners. This is a pretty strong reason to act in the short term to secure agreements to safeguard these key forest areas.

The habitat buyouts are the most effective way to address the problem of spill injured wildlife. I hope that you will continue this program with a emphasis on purchasing and conserving forest lands.

In general the Trustees are doing a fine job and are responding well to the public requests for acquisition of critical habitat. I'm pleased to see this process get to the point that it's rewarding to listen to the news, and hear the many encouraging advances in the wildlife habitat program. I hope to tune in soon and hear about the grand buyout of Afognak!

Thank you for all your efforts - keep up the good work.

Sincerely

Michael Sturm 727 Rappe Ct.

Anchorage, AK 99518



November 27, 1994

Jim Ayers **Executive Director** Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Habitat Acquisition / Afognak Island

Mr. Ayers,

I would like to thank you and the Trustee Council for your ongoing work on the habitat acquisition program. The Council has taken action to protect many important habitat areas and has made great progress in defining priority wildlife habitat for protection.

Afognak Island is a very special place, and I would like to see the Trustees protect as much of the unlogged areas on this island as possible. The big logging operations make a mess of streams, and all but destroy the utility of the ecosystem for wildlife habitat. Most of these outfits are very short term operations which leave long term problems for the rest of the people who depend on fish, wildlife and scenic resources for their recreation and livelihoods.

Please lead off any acquisition program on Afognak with the northern lands: Paul's and Laura's Lakes, and the Shuyak Straits. I hope that you will then move on to acquire other lands on the island that are in jeopardy of being clearcut.

Thank you for trying to help out these great places! Good luck with all of your projects and programs.

Cordially,

Milie Faher 612 M St #2 Oncherage, 99501



612 M Street # 2 Anchorage, AK 99501

November 27, 1994

EVOS Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Northern Afognak Island Wildlife Habitat

Dear EVOS Trustees,

It is my understanding that you are undertaking negotiations to purchase fish and wildlife habitat on Northern Afognak Island. I hope you are successful in this venture. Your wildlife studies note that this is a very important area for many species that were hurt during the oil spill. Afognak island is a one of a kind place, and a successful purchase of the best sections of the island (Pauls and Lauras Lake, Shuyak Straits) would be a great and lasting achievement.

Afognak island has many resources from which the public benefits. Guide operations, sport and commercial fisheries, and tourism outfits benefit from clean water and wildlife which depend on intact forest ecosystems. These are the dependable, sustainable businesses which are Alaska's future.

Please do what you can to expedite purchase arrangements on these important forest lands. To lose them to clearcut operations would be a shame. Logging operations are expanding all over this island and it wouldn't take them any time at all to cut down the pristine lands on the northern part of the island.

I'm grateful for your continuing efforts to protect the best wildlife habitats in the spill zone. The Council seems very responsive to the public interest. I appreciate your professionalism and commitment to the restoration process. The EVOS process can do alot of good when people focus on what's important and work together toward some common goals.

Sincerely,

Christy LOPEZ

October 27th, 1994

Jim Ayens, Executive Dinecton, EXXON VALDEZ TRUSTEE COUNCIL, 625 "G" Street, ANchorage AK 99501

FAX: 276-7178

RE: North Afognak Island purchase

Dear Mr. Ayers,

Myself and my family strongly unge you and the council to speed up your purchase proceedures for the North Afograk Island area. This is a valuable area to all the Kodiak Island peoples, the local corporation (AJV) is willing to sell and it has been rated as the best piece of real-estate amongst all parcels rated by the ADF&G Habitat biologists for Exxon Trustee Council. Don't let this go to waste. We need to keep this last piece of Afograk Island pristine.

Yours truly,

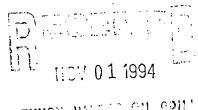
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FAX: 276-7178



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Dear Mr. Ayers,

Please give the North Afognak Island the highest priority in your considerations to punchase as soon as possible. It's themost valued piece of our island area and we need to preserve what has not already been logged...2/3 of it has been logged.

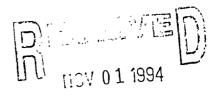
Respectfully,

Joe Dinnocenzo, Box 3045, Kodiak AK 996

FAX: 276-7178

November 26th, 1994

Jim Ayens, Executive Dinecton, EXXON Trustee Council, 645 "G" Street, Anchorage AK 99501



EXXON VALUEZ OIL SPILL

RE: N. Afognak Island (Pauls/Laura Lake & W. Afognak parcel)

Dean Mr. Ayers,

We have hunted and fished on & around Afognak Island for 40 years and there is almost nothing left, that hasn't been Logged. The Elk populations are hunting because of the Loggens and we want what is left at the north end of the island to remain untouched by chain-saws.

THIS IS A PRIZED AREA OF ALASKA. Please punchase it quickly so no mone will be levelled.

Yours truly,

John & Fern Morton, P.O. Box 44, Kodiak AK 99615. Jim Ayers, Executive Director EXXON Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

SUBJECT: North Afognak/Pauls & Laura Lake/West Afognak Parcel

Dear Mr. Ayers,

Please consider the purchase of the above mentioned area to protect from future logging operations. It is a damn shame what the logging industry is doing to our beautiful Afognak Island. The closest thing I can compare the damage and discription to is a nuclear blast area or Artillery impact Range. I have lived, hunted and flown in Alaska, mostly Kodiak & Afognak Island all my life. It is really a shame that I will not be able to show my own children, what I was privelged to see, while growing up here.

Thank you for your consideration in this most important issue.

JOHN RILEY MORTON

P.O. Box # 1975 Kodiak, Alaska

907 486 3635

1191 Eastwood Lane Fairbanks, AK 99712 November 26, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G St.

Anchorage AK 99501

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I ask you please to purchase all of North Afognak Island. It is important to use the settlement money to preserve scenic and wildlife resources. These will become more and more important as years go by because they will become more rare in the world. North Afognak Island, particularly the Pauls and Laura Lakes area, is recognized as being a high priority wildlife habitat.

Thank you for your consideration. Would you please copy this letter to all the council members.

Sincerely, Carol Klopf Carol Klopf Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Akiman November 22, 1994

Dear Trustee Council Members:

We are writing to encourage you to purchase all of North Afonnak Island, but to especially prioritize the "Pauls and Laura Lakes areas". This are received the highest biological in your study of potential bases.

Logging operations already actively impacted the Perenosa Bay area and seems to be growing like a cancer across our region.

I first saw the Pauls and Laura Lakes area in 1984 and was not pnly impressed by its beauty but also concerned about the encroaching logging in Perenosa Bay. My concerns have been justified by the continued devastation of that region.

The council has an opportunity to really make a positive difference and we believe everyone's best interest could be served by the purchase of the "Pauls and Laura Lakes area". The potential long term economic potential for this area for sightseeing, fishing, photography far outweighs any short term profits gained by devastating the resource.

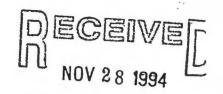
I again ask that you attempt to purchase all of North Afognak Island and Island to Pauls and Louis Island, everyone will be a winner.

Thank you very much for your work so far. We realize the importance of your job and the great impact it will have for generations to come.

Please copy our letter and forward it to the council members.

Sincerely,

The Campbells Rod, Alice, Jessie, and Rachael



D.L. Greenborg 1322 Virginia et. Anchorage, Aleska 99501

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501 November 25, 1994

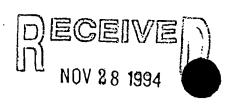
Dear Council members,

I am writing to ask that you act quickly to acquire critical habitat areas on northern Afognak Island. Specifically, the areas which I am most concerned about are identified in the Council's habitat study as: AJV 01 - Shuyak Straits, and AJV 03 - the Pauls and Laura Lake. I would like to see a priority placed on the purchase of the Pauls and Laura Lake parcel at your next meeting.

The north Afognak properties exhibit exceptional fish and wildlife study ratings, and I understand that the Trustee Council has worked hard to see that these properties are given the protective status that they deserve. I greatly appreciate your efforts on behalf of these important areas. I am concerned however, that if we delay the acquisition process too long, areas will be lost to logging operations. This was the case with one parcel (AJV 02 Delphin Point) which was logged this spring.

Thank you very much for all your hard work on behalf of the habitat acquisition program. The Trustees have managed to acquire some outstanding habitat areas.

Sincerely,



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

November 23, 1994

James Ayers
Director
EVOS Trustee Council
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I wanted to voice my support for the purchase of lands on Afognak Island. The Trustee Council would be using the oil spill funds wisely if they were to direct them toward high value wildlife habitat like that found on northern Afognak Island.

The Paul's and Laura's Lakes should be first on your list, given that this area was the highest rated in your own wildlife study. Keeping places like the northern area of Afognak from being logged will benifit many species that were hurt during the oil spill. In addition to wildlife, you'd be helping out tourism and recreational interests by preventing big clearcuts in some of the best places on the island. The tourism industry never got a nickel of spill money, and they took a big hit when the tanker hit the rocks.

The Trustees are on the right track with their habitat programs. The Trustees are doing a good job looking out for lands that Alaskans can use for outdoor recreation and guide operations. Protecting good habitat is good business.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Veronica Slajer

P.O. Box 101293 Anchorage, AK 99510





Daniel Busch

P.O. Box 1162 Kodlak, Alaska 99615

(907) 486-5310

November 25, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Council Members,

We are owners and operators of Kodiak Island River Camps. Since the summer of 1989, with the permission and operation of Afognak Native Corporation, we have had a remote fly fishing camp on an island in Pauls Lake on Afognak Island. We have spent time both on our own and with clients in this area. Our guests only fly fish and are primarily interested in catch and release fishing. They come from all over the United States and are generally there in August and September. These people love their visit and think that it is one of the most beautiful places they have ever been. They desire an experience that does not harm the ecology of the area, appreciate the opportunity to be there, and are grateful that a relatively untouched and pristine environment such as Pauls Lake and its environs exist.

Because of the amount of time we have spent around Pauls and Lauras Lakes, we feel we are in a unique position to appreciate the special qualities of the area. There are a large variety of wild flowers and plants on the island, on the shore of the lakes and the ocean, and along the rivers of this system. We have already begun a photographic record of as many plants and flowers as we can find each spring. Eagles, loons, and an abundance of ducks and other birds inhabit the area. We have seen deer, bear, fox, land otter, beaver, pline marten and other wildlife. Aside from many resident species of fish, weir counts show that there are a great many salmon that return to Pauls Lake and the rest of that system. We are still there after the weir has been pulled in the fall, and know that salmon continue to enter the system past the time for which there are records. In addition, there is also an obvious archeological site near the ocean.

We urge you to do everything you can to guarantee that these areas on the north end of Afognak remain unlogged, protecting plants and wildlife and providing people with the chance to experience this unique habitat.

Hedy R. Bush

Sincerely

Daniel and Randy Busch

cc: Greg Petrich

Philip Tschersich 1915 E. Rezanof Drive Kodiak, AK 99615

The Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re.: Land Purchase on North Afognak Island

This summer I kayaked around Afognak Island and one of the highlights of this adventurous and exhilarating trip was seeing the natural beauty of the unspoiled northern coast of Afognak Island. This wooded lake district and the adjoining coast is still pristine habitat for a great variety of wildlife.

I hope this area can become part of the adjoining State Park at Seal Bay to create a more intact coastal ecosystem for the many species of animals that have become impacted by development and exploitation of the adjacent land and streams. The logging which razed the center of Afognak and along Duck Bay is an eyesore and an ecological travesty which seems unbelievable out of place in such a beautiful and wild area.

Termination Point just outside the city of Kodiak is an area equally deserving of consideration for acquisition. It is one of the most popular hiking areas near the city because it offers a relatively unique forest ecosystem and pleasantly flat terrain on an island marked with mostly grass and brush, and otherwise very steep terrain.

I urge you to consider these two areas for acquisition with Exxon settlement money:

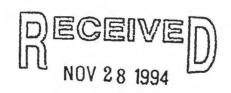
North Afognak

Termination Point near Kodiak

Thank you for your consideration.

Philip Tschersich

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

James Ayers Executive Director EVOS Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

November 23, 1994

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I am writing you and the EVOS Trustees to ask you to purchase the remaining unlogged lands on the north end of Afognak Island (AJV 01 & 02). The Pauls and Lauras Lake area should be purchased first since it would likely be the first to be logged. The Pauls & Lauras Lakes rated the highest in the EVOS Councils own land evaluation study last year. This area should be a high priority for purchase.

I thank you and the Trustees for your efforts to acquire critical habitat in the spill zone.

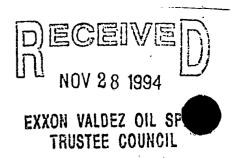
I would appreciate it if you could copy this letter to all of the Council members.

Sincerely,

Joanie Meister

1016 W. 6th Ave. #200

Anchorage, AK 99501



Michael Gershel P.O. Box 771772 Eagle River, AK 99577-1772

Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Ak 99501 November 23,1994

Dear Council Members,

I wanted to thank you for your recent actions to protect important habitat areas on Kodiak Island. The Trustee Council has made tremendous progress in their habitat acquisition program. I commend you and your staff for looking out for the public interest by investing in acquisitions which will pay long term dividends for the general public.

It's my understanding that you will address a proposal to protect the highest rated habitat in the spill area at your December 2nd meeting. I am especially interested in the North Afognak properties. This area contains exceptionally rich wildlife and fisheries habitat. I hope you will do everything in you power to conserve this excellent resource for this and future generations.

Again, Thanks for your great work!

Sincerely,

Exxon Valdez Trust Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Trustee Council:

As a seasonal parks employee, I have had the privilege of working in many wild and beautiful places, but none like Shuyak Island. Shuyak provides excellent wilderness recreation opportunities as well as prime habitat for wildlife. An island of continuous unroaded, unlogged Sitka Spruce forest is truly a gem in itself, but is also valuable habitat for deer, brown bear, sea otters, bald eagles, and innumerable seabirds including the disappearing marbled murrelet. Please preserve this island wilderness as a whole by purchasing it from the Kodiak Island Burrough.

Habitat just south of Shuyak Island has already been secured as Afognak Island State Park. Unfortunately, lands adjacent to the park have been clearcut and riddled with roads. Your acquisition of the areas just west of the new park -Pauls and Lauras Lakes and the Shuyak Straits section-would prevent Afognak State Park from becoming an isolated island of habitat, and allow wildlife the mobility needed to sustain a healthy population. If these lands are not purchased, they may be logged, and the wildlife populations of northern Afognak will suffer accordingly.

Please save the fish and wildlife of Shuyak and Afognak Islands the fate of those in the Lower 48, where the sight of an eagle, a bear, a salmon, or a marbled murrelet is rare. Please help to protect Alaska's rich natural resources by purchasing the remainder of Shuyak Island for a state park and Shuyak Straits, and Pauls and Lauras Lakes for a game refuge.

Thank you very much,

Amy D. Sayer

Dan Young SR Box 3800 Kodiak, AK 99615 November 22, 1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

This past summer, I worked for the U.S. Forest Service on a fisheries project on Montague Island. As you already know, this project, Montague Chums, funded by the Trustee Council, was an effort to create spawning and rearing ground for a salmon stream through use of structures and thinning. I truly believe in this project and hope that you will continue to support it in the future.

It is my understanding that you and the other members of the Trustee Council will be making some decisions concerning Afognak and Shuyak island lands soon. On your visit to the Forest Service office in Cordova this summer, I had the pleasure of speaking with you about these parcels of land. If I remember correctly, you and your group were awaiting a ride out the road with Forest Service staff. Standing outside the USFS building, I asked you about these parcel and the newly created Afognak State Park.

My interest in preserving these tracts of land is great. Both last summer and this fall, I have had the pleasure of working on Shuyak island with the Alaska State parks. Shuyak and the northern portion of Afognak are amazingly rich in wildlife habitat and beauty. The threat of logging in this area would ruin a rich and diverse area. It is my hope that you and the other council members will preserve these tracts on both Shuyak and Afognak. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Daniel Young

Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchoraage, AK 99501 November 22, 1994

Dear Trustee Council Members:

I would like to strongly urge the EVOS trustees to purchase the North Afognak Island parcel of land, in its entirety, on December 2nd. As the recent survey by the Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council has shown, this area contains some of the most important wildlife habitat in any of the lands that the Council is considering purchasing. It is also assured of being clearcut if it is not bought soon. North Afognak Island, especially the Pauls and Laura Lakes area, supports large populations of land and sea mammals, birds and fish. It also provides prime habitat for nesting birds and for salmon fry. The Council is to be commended on its decision to purchase the biologicaly important lands in southern Kodiak. I hope the Council takes action and purchases the North Afognak lands at its December 2nd meeting and continues to demonstrate that the EVOS funds can protect the wildlife in the spill area.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Peschier P.O. Box 8166

Kodiak, AK 99615



November 21, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers
Executive Director
EXXON VALDEZ SETTLEMENT TRUSTEE COUNCIL
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

The Kodiak Island Convention & Visitors Bureau (KICVB) encourages the Trustee Council to acquire the North Afognak Island land parcels currently under consideration. In doing so, the Trustee Council will reaffirm its past efforts and ensure the conservation of these lands for wildlife habitat and mixed-use recreational purposes.

Afognak Island is an increasingly important destination for visitors to the Kodiak area. Acquisition of the North Afognak lands will ensure the ongoing viability of small-scale, appropriate tourism and recreation in this area. In turn, this demand will necessitate protecting Afognak's view shed and wildlife habitat.

Thank you for considering these comments during the Trustee Council's deliberations. Please share this letter with the members of the council. Should you require any further information or comments, please contact the KICVB at 486-4782.

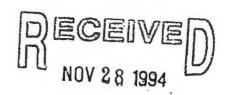
Sincerely,

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CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Wanetta Ayers

Executive Director



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

November 22, 1994

Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Council,

I am looking forward to your December 2nd. meeting. I understand that you are working diligently to complete a deal for the Pauls and Laura Lakes on Afognak Island. Afognak is a beautiful place; and I appreciate very much the efforts of you and your staff to protect this very special island.

Thank you for your good work!

Sincerely,

Nevette Bowen P.O. Box 101145

Anchorage, AK 99510-1145

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November 28, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Council Members,

I would like you to focus on purchasing lands on Afognak Island at your next meeting.

Please prioritize efforts to acquire lands on the northern part of the Island. The Pauls and Laura lakes should be a first priority because of the high rating in the Council's land review system. All of the lands on north Afognak should be acquired and placed in the state parks system. Kodiak state parks staff does and excellent job and I would be most comfortable with them managing these important areas. Please don't delay acquiring these properties as they are highly threatened by logging operations.

The Seal Bay buyout, and the more recent Kodiak acquisitions were commendable actions. The Trustees did some excellent work on these issues. I hope that you will continue to work to a acquire more key fish and wildlife habitats for the public interest. This is a great use of the spill money and helps mitigate some of the environmental damage caused by the tanker accident.

Thank you for your efforts. I look forward to your next meeting.

Sincerely,

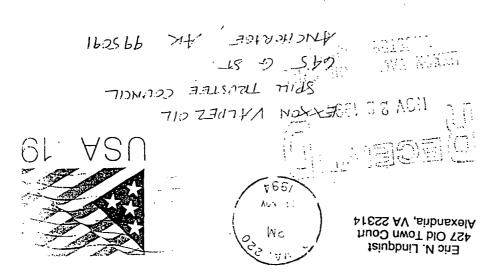
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Ilona Bessenyey P.O. Box 102292 Anchorage, AK 99510 Dear Trustee Council manbers,

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citizen) to unge you to devote as much as possible of the soon financial settlement to the acquisition of habitat, specifically private lands within Chugach National Forest Kenai Fjords National Park Afognak Island and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuse. If there is any silver living in the cloud created by the Exam Valder discorter it is the opportunity to acquire and present ecologically Significant lands with self-timent money. Smeinly

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TO THE EUDS TRUSTEE.

I would like to say I am in Yotal favor of the buy back proposal and hope you may consider my openion when making your dicision Thankyon Krusti a Ceenurs Seward, alaska Kodiak November 22, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Trustees:

In the November 18 edition of the "Kodiak Daily Mirror" there was another request to contact the Trustees Council with our concerns for a north Afognak buyout.

It seems like after each parcel is purchased the next parcel of private land is critical habitat and needs to be purchased. Seal Bay was highly rated and purchased, now Laura Lake is highly rated and after that it will probably be Shuyak Straits then continue around the island.

You have already purchased, what you consider to be, the most highly rated habitat on Afognak Island. Why spend the money to purchase the rest of the island when you could be doing base line studies or set up a permanent fund to earn interest off of the fine to fund research and find out what problems, if any, really exist then try to solve them you are not doing any thing to restore oil spill damage by purchasing private tax paying land.

The article is again laced with half truths and lies. They are not urging you to purchase critical habitat. They are urging you to purchase any land that has commercial value to stop development.

Don't make the same mistake that you did with Seal Bay. Since Alaska is already 88% public ownership, we do not need any more public land.

from my observations, Afognak Island is being properly managed, paying taxes, providing jobs, and not harming the environment. Spend settlement money for restoration of damaged habitat.

Sincerely,

William S. Haag PO Box 1159 Kodiak, Alaska 99615 EXXUN Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Auchorage, AK. 99501

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Dear EVOS Trustees;

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Thank you for your efforts in pierchasing land from native corporations on the Foceth and of Kodiak Island. This is a win win situation for everyour, especially the Figh and wildlife resources.

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THANK YOU.

Sincerely,

Arnold Shaul R.O. Box 2081 Kodiuk, AK. 99615

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TO:

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council MEMBERS

FROM:

Tom Watson om Watson

Wavetamer Kayaking

Kodiak, Alaska

DATE:

November 21, 1994

RE:

North Afognak/Paul's Lake/Laura Lake

I wanted to urge you one more time how critical I feel it is that the EVOS Trustee Council act positively and purchase the North Afognak Island area. As you know it was designated the highest biologically rated area in your study. As Trustees you have a unique opportunity AND responsibility to act in a manner that will preserve this invaluable area. Please Purchase this area!

Thank you for participating in the public comment process and listening to our concerns. Thank you, too, for your past wisdom in setting aside unique areas that are now secured for future generations.

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KODIAK ISLAND CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU
ALASKA VISITORS ASSOCIATION/KODIAK CHAPTER

Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

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Dear Council,

I would like to thank the Council for its efforts so far in conserving the habitat of Kodiak Island todate. The legacy of the EVOS will not be all negative.

I would urge you to consider the purchase of all of North Afognak Island. I have visited area and can assure you of both it's scenic and habitat values. I would also urge you to put the highest priority on the incredible Pauls and Laura Lakes area.

Of course, you are aware of you're own study gives these area the highest biological rating of all lands studied. Thank-you.

Sincerely,

Dan Mban

Dan Urban P.O.Box 859 Kodiak, AK 99615 Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Members of the Trustee Council:

I am writing to express my concern for the purchase of lands in the North Afognak area. I agree with your rating of Northern Afognak into the highest priority category and I urge you as a resident of the State of Alaska and a resident of Kodiak to purchase as much of North Afognak as you can, prioritizing the Pauls and Laura Lakes area.

This effort on your part has the potential to rescue from irrevocable destruction some of the finest land in the State in terms of wildlife habitat, recreational use land, and just plain environment.

Thank you for time in consideration of the purchase of Northern Afognak.

Sharon Harris and Kurt Linscheid 235 Alder Way Kodiak, AK 99615 Charles O. Swanton P.O. Box 2502 Kodiak, AK. 99615

Anchorage, AK. 99501

Mr. Jim Ayers Executive Director EXXON Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 625 G St.

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Date: 21 November, 1994

As an avid recreational hunter and sports fishermen, I urge the council to preserve through purchase, as much of North Afognak Island as possible. I believe that it makes more sense to preserve this unique habitat for multiple long term use than to allow the current private land owners to clear cut the land for short term economic gain.

Sincerely,

Charles O. Swanton

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Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Council 625 "G" Street Anc. Ak. 99501

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Nov. 21, 1994

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Dear Mr. Ayers:

I am writing to urge the Council to consider purchasing all of North Afognak Island to protect valuable wildlife habitat. The Pauls and Laura Lakes area on northern Afognak was the highest rated and ranked wildlife habitat area in the Trustees Council process.

Sincerely,

William Donaldson 1713 Mission

Kodiak, Ak.

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21 November 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" St.
Anchorage, Ak 99501

Dear Sirs:

Subject: Afognak Island Land Purchases

Bruce M. Barrett PO Box 1041 Kodiak, Ak. 99615

Afognak Island provides essential fisheries and wildlife habitat. Nearly all Afognak Island streams supports coho and pink salmon which are utilized by wildlife, and commercial, subsistence and sport fishers. The uplands provide important habitat for deer, elk, and brown bear.

If you are not already well aware, the Natives are fully exploiting their lands on Afognak Island for short term economic gain; I have personally witnessed the devastation--the rape. The 60-foot wide buffer zones along salmon streams are totally inadequate primarily due to blow-down. The cut areas are not utilized by big game animals during the winter.

I recommend that you purchase all available Native land on Afognak Island. Such a purchase would help protect wildlife and fish and subsistence uses including those necessary to meet future Native needs.

Sincerely,

Bruce M. Barrett

November 21, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Trustee Council:

We would like to thank you for your efforts in purchasing land in Alaska to preserve for our futures.

We ask you to purchase all of North Afognak Island at your December 2 meeting. In particular, the Pauls and Laura lakes area is of highest priority. In your study, this was the highest biologically rated area.

In the biological survey the lands in the North Afognak area were rated as some of the most valuable wildlife habitat in the oil spill affect area. There are deer, elk and bear all dependent on this land. Consequently, it would be nice to make this land into a premiere Alaska Sate Game Refuge.

Please copy this letter to all council members. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chris Nulsen Chris and Christy Nielsen P.O. Box 3552 Kodiak, AK 99615 (907) 487-2654 November 21, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Ak 99501

Council Members,

Please go forward with the purchase of North Afognak Island on December 2nd. I've lived in Kodiak for 20 years and have visited that beautiful area many times.

Much of the old growth spruce forest on Afognak Island has been decimated by logging activity. This is the chance to protect a section that remains in pristine condition. Future generations will benefit immeasurably from maintaining that environmental niche.

I applaud your recent conservation purchase of Kodiak Island acres. That will go a long way in maintaining high quality wildlife habitat.

Please take another step and preserve the endangered old growth spruce forest of North Afognak Island. That important wildlife habitat is irreplaceable. Thank you for your efforts and consideration.

Sincerely,

Dave Jackson

11248 Kalsin Drive Kodiak, Ak 99615

Robert Berceli P.O.Box 8527 Kodiak, AK. 99615

November 20, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska. 99501

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my support that the Trustee Council proceed with the North Afognak conservation purchase.

I have had opportunity to visit some areas of Afognak Island and derived much enjoyment from its solitude and beauty as well as remorse over ill conceived logging operations.

The opportunity to conserve forest habitats is critical and I ask that you make this a top priority.

Your time and efforts in this matter are most appreciated.

Thank you

Sincerely

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee ("uncil Via FAY 276-7178) Decur Sirs,

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Purchase of North Afognak Island, in Particular the Pauls & Laura Lake area I feel that it is very important to every one in Alaska that this area be conseeved for the Future. It is also the highest biologically rested area available to you.

without your purchase of the Island on area will be left to provote interest to staip have and abandon. It's up to you to save north Afagral!

Trank You, Some Bussis P.O. 2202 Kodiak AK 99661S 486-1948

Please copy my letter to council members



Kodiak State Parks Citizens'Advisory Board

S.R. 3800, Kodiak, Alaska 99615. Phone: 486-6339

Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501



Dear Trustee Council Members:

EXXON VALUES OF SPILL TRUSTEE GOSTOIL

The Kodiak State Park Citizens' Advisory Board strongly supports habitat land acquisition on Afognak and Shuyak Islands as one of the best ways to restore and preserve species injured during the 1989 oil spill. We have conveyed this support in past letters since 1992, but because I understand you will be making important decisions on these lands at your December 2 meeting, we once again want to express our support for purchase of these lands and also our great appreciation for your acquisition of the Seal Bay lands (Afognak State Park).

As I am sure you are aware, there are land tracts in the Afognak State Park that extend beyond the Laura Lake area. Logging activities and other development on privately owned lands on the perimeter of these tracts could compromise the habitat and benefits to animal species that were desired when Seal Bay lands were purchased. Logging activities also would compromise the wilderness quality of park lands for visitors. Inclusion of the Paul and Laura Lake land acquisition into the Afognak State Park would protect valuable habitat, provide additional recreational opportunities for the public, and protect the integrity of the Afognak State Park acquisition.

Purchase of the Shuyak Strait land areas, including Little and Big Waterfall Rivers and Bays, in addition to Pauls and Laura Lakes, would preserve most of the North Afognak Island habitat. Preservation of this unique habitat for restoration of injured animal species is becoming increasingly important as most of the rest of the private lands on this island are being logged. The Board feels that land areas, such as North Afognak, that are imminently threatened by logging activities and known to have high quality habitat supporting injured animal species should be given the highest priority for land acquisition by the Trustee Council. We urge you to acquire all of the North Afognak Island lands.

The Board also recommends the purchase of lands on Shuyak Island from the Kodiak Island Borough. Acquisition and inclusion of these interior lands into the Shuyak State Park would provide continuity and integrity in the protection of habitat and wilderness. Presently this State Park is restricted to primarily 11,000 acres of coastal area.

The Board commends the Trustee Council for rapid negotiations on Seal Bay lands. We hope you will take similar action to purchase the North Afognak and Shuyak Island lands to preserve this valuable habitat and the animal populations it supports. Sincerely,

KODIAK STATE PARKS CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD

Roger F. Blackett

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Chairman

Philip Tschersich 1915 E. Rezanof Drive Kodiak, AK 99615

The Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re.: Land Purchase on North Afognak Island

This summer I kayaked around Afognak Island and one of the highlights of this adventurous and exhilarating trip was seeing the natural beauty of the unspoiled northern coast of Afognak Island. This wooded lake district and the adjoining coast is still pristine habitat for a great variety of wildlife.

I hope this area can become part of the adjoining State Park at Seal Bay to create a more intact coastal ecosystem for the many species of animals that have become impacted by development and exploitation of the adjacent land and streams. The logging which razed the center of Afognak and along Duck Bay is an eyesore and an ecological travesty which seems unbelievable out of place in such a beautiful and wild area.

Termination Point just outside the city of Kodiak is an area equally deserving of consideration for acquisition. It is one of the most popular hiking areas near the city because it offers a relatively unique forest ecosystem and pleasantly flat terrain on an island marked with mostly grass and brush, and otherwise very steep terrain.

I urge you to consider these two areas for acquisition with Exxon settlement money:

North Afognak

Termination Point near Kodiak

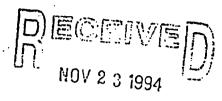
Thank you for your consideration.

Philip Tschersich

lerta Tschersich 1423 Baranof Street Kodiak, AK 99615

19 November, 1994

The Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501



EXXON VALL I ON SPILE

Re.: North Afognak Island

The beautiful northern shore of Afognak Island is acutely threatened by logging. It represents an undisturbed habitat, except for the recent oil pollution, for many wild coastal species of birds as well as marine and terrestrial animals and it has wonderful stands of old sitka spruce.

I urge you to puchase this area with Exxon settlement money so it can be preserved and become one with the recently created Afognak State Park at Seal Bay to create a more intact coastal ecosystem.

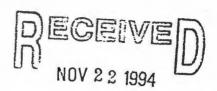
Sincerely,

Sun, 20 Nov, 1994

Herta Tschersich

November 17, 1994

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Council Members,

As you consider your next acquisition from the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Court Settlement please give strong consideration to the North Afognak Island area surrounding Paul's Lake and Laura Lakes. This is prime wildlife habitat and is scheduled for clear cut.

I can still distinctly remember flying over clear cut areas of Afognak Island and seeing the habitat destruction. This clear cutting is a threat to subsistence and sport hunting and fishing, and commercial fishing. Even with buffer zones, if the lion's share of the Island is clear cut soil erosion and downed trees in the buffer zone from high winds can and will jeopardize fish production.

Thank you for your efforts to date, the Seal Bay Area byback and the purchase in the area near Old Harbor and Akhiok. As an individual familiar with South Kodiak and Afognak Islands, I very much appreciate your efforts to save valuable habitat in these areas. GREAT JOB!

As a member of the Kodiak Area State Park Advisory Board I can assure you that this community takes stewardship of the areas purchased to date seriously.

AGAIN, PLEASE FOLLOW THIS GOOD WORK WITH THE PURCHASE OF NORTH AFOGNAK ISLAND.

Please copy this letter to the council members.

Sincerely,

Gail Smith P.O. Box 284

Kodiak, Alaska 99615

KODIAK REGIONAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION

BOX 3407 KODIAK, ALASKA 99615

(907) 486-655

November 18, 1994



Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Ak. 99501

Dear Trustee Council:

The Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association strongly supports the acquisition of all of North Afognak Island by the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council for the purpose of habitat protection.

Our association, comprised of over 600 commercial fishermen, has been actively funding several salmon rehabilitation and enhancement projects on systems draining into Perenosa Bay, the major bay complex in the North Afognak area. Funding is derived from a self-imposed tax on these fishermen in order to conduct projects which will stabilize salmon production in historically productive areas. All salmon user groups are benefiting from these projects, which to date are focused in the Paul's' and Laura Lakes watershed, in the Portage Lake watershed and in the Waterfall Lakes watersheds.

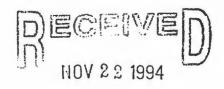
The priority value of North Afognak lands as identified by the Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council is very encouraging to our association members. We whole heartedly concur with that assessment and we vigorously encourage the purchase of all North Afognak Island lands identified in the Trustee Council process.

We are very appreciative of the Trustee's conservation purchasing efforts to date and feel that a strong and important legacy for habitat protection has been developed.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Malloy,

Executive Director, KRAA



Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council 645 G. Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501 SXXON TALDER OIL SPILL

November 17, 1994

Dear Trustees,

I have been very much interested in the process to restore habitat in areas affected by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. As a Kodiak Island resident for twenty two years, including eight years living on Afognak Island, I love and appreciate these unique jewels of forested islands.

At this writing, I respectfully and earnestly request that the trustees purchase all of northern Afognak. The north Afognak habitat region has been the highest biologically rated region according to recent studies commissioned both by the Trustees and by Congress.

I wish to thank you for the habitat that has been saved for restoration, and to urge you to act quickly for further restoration. I believe that the residents have spoken out for protection of the wildlife and forest ecosystems in our beautiful island archipelago. I am counting on you, the Trustees of the Exxon Valez Restoration Council, to mandate this habitat acquisition at your December 2nd meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary J. Fiorentino

Mary J. Fiorentino

P.O. 1224

Kodiak, Alaska 99615

(907) 486-8316

Nov. 18, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 625 G Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

Please place at the top of your current buy list from the Exxon Valdez settlement all of the north portion of Afognak Island (ie. the Pauls and Laura Lake region). I have been to Laura Lake to go hunting for deer and was impressed by its beauty and habitat value for many species. I've seen deer, marten, fox, deer, elk, bear sign and know of the salmonid values in those lakes. I have also seen the extensive clearcutting for the air and ground on Afognak Island and believe we must save the forest and remaining habitats for the area's known wildlife resources so that they will continue to perpetuate wildlife to use for both consumptive and nonconsumptive uses for mankind in the future.

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Sincerely.

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SR 7700 Kodiak, AK 99615

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Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

November 17, 1994

To Whom it may Concern,

This is to voice my strong support, in that the North Afognak area remain the highest priority in the conservation purchase.

This area is of great importance to the wildlife population, and the fishing recreation.

I feel leaving this land to be logged would be a disservice to every person in this state, as more and more we are destroying the very reason we all live in this state. Once we let them continue to log on North Afognak, it will never again be the pristine wilderness that it is now.

Sincerely,

Joanne Shaker

Kodiak

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

November 17,1994

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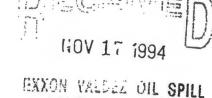
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Sincerely,

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TRUSTEE COURCIL

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Trustees;

I wish to express my deep concern for the preservation of all of the incredibly valuable wildlife habitat on North Afognak Island, especially the Pauls and Laura Lakes Area.

I wish to urge you to be committed to your stated priorities based on your studies, and to purchase all of North Afognak Island. It is a precious part of Alaska's wilderness.

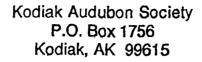
Thank you for all you have done thus far. Please continue with your wise selection of prime wildlife habitat for the sake of posterity. As you well know, you have a huge responsibility to the people of Alaska. We are depending on your wisdom, so don't let us down! Please add North Afognak Island to the list of conservation purchases.

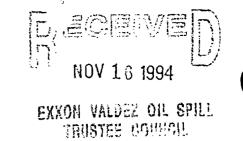
Please send a copy of my letter to the members of the council. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Lbuise Silet P.O. Box 83301

Fairbanks, Alaska 99708





November 9, 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G St. Suite 401 Anchorage, AK 99501-3451

Dear Members of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council,

I am writing on behalf or the Kodiak Audubon Society. We are a group of about 80 citizens who advocate environmental education and responsible resource management.

We would like to thank you for your land purchases and conservation easements within the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. This move will restore the integrity of one of this country's premier wildlife refuges and will help protect it from future development. The move will also aid the recovery of many of the resources injured by the oil spill.

We would also like to thank you for your commitment to future habitat acquisition.

We stress our support for acquiring the highly threatened lands on North Afognak Island. As you know, this is an extremely important biological area for many of the resources injured by the oil spill. Afognak Joint Venture is a willing seller and has been very cooperative in its efforts to work with the council. We believe they deserve serious consideration in this matter.

We hope you will continue in your efforts to protect North Afognak Island.

Sincerely,

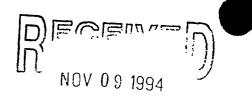
Mary Forbes

President, Kodiak Audubon Society

To Exxon Vallez Trustee Coun: L 11-15-94 My name is John R. Thomas. Jan a wenty year full time resident of Rodiak ak. I was raised in Western Oregon (20 years). I know borest habitat. I have spent many days enjoying the scenic wildenness of Afognak + Shujak Ir. I urge you people of the Sustee Council to purchase all of the lands available on Afograk Island and adjacent areas, especially the Pauls and Laura Lakes areas. Let our children and buture generations know the wonder and enjoyment of such a special place. Thank you and please keep up this most important work. John R. Thomas P.O. Box 3131 Rodiak AK an -.

1420 G St. Anchorage, AK 99501 November 7, 1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G St.
Anchorage. AK 99501



TRUSTEE COUNCE

Dear Mr. Ayers;

I'd like to thank you for you and the council's efforts thus far to purchase and otherwise protect lands, both in Frince William Sound and elsewhere, that have been affected by the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

I'd like to suggest several other areas that the council may wish to consider for future purchases. A primary area is Northern Afognak Island, which has tremendous biological value but is in danger of being clearcut is no purchases are consummated. In addition, I would like to recommend three areas near Cordova for purchase: Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and Simpson Bay. These areas, which have excellent wildlife habitat as well, are particularly important because of their location adjacent to Chugach National Forest. I hope that the Council will be able to purchase all four of these areas with the settlement monies.

Please provide a copy of this letter to each of the Trustee Council members. Thank you.

Si*ng*erely,

Frank Norris

David van den Berg Box 80433 Fak, Mr 99708

Dear Exxon Valdez Trusteer:

Toron spill on shought Island, to The north and east of Afograk Island. I know That That is beautiful and productive country.

I understand That you have the opportanity to Suy all of North Afograk Island. Please do so! - while prioritizing The Pauls and Laura Lakes Area, since it how The greatest biological value in The region.

Thank for all of your efforts to date. Please copy This letter to The entire council so That can read my plea for preservation.

Stherely,

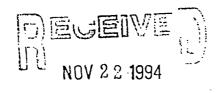
David van den Berg Fairbanks

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909 Mission Rd Kodiak, AK 99615 15 November, 1994

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SWILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G St. Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Council members,

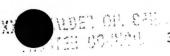
We urge you to follow through with your negotiations with Koniag Corporation for the purchase of lands within the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. Lands on the north end of Afognak Island (especially the Pauls and Laura Lakes area) should also be purchased with Exxon monies.

Down the road we will be <u>so</u> glad that we spent lots of this money acquiring refuge inholdings and places like Pauls and Laura Lakes for public use! Thanks for making acquisition a high priority.

Richard Machatol molly marchitosh

Sincerely,

Richaed and Molly MacIntosh



Alaska Waveriders

308 "G" Street, Suite 222, Anchorage, AK 99501 (907) 279-8247

November 4, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Trustees Council 625 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Alaska Waveriders is a statewide organization of surfers, bodyboarders, kayakers, sailors, in-water recreationists, and commercial fishermen. Our membership stretches from San Diego to Unalaska and uses the waters from Dixon Entrance to the Pribiloffs. We are committed to maintaining the quality of Alaska's waters and those lands bordering the Gulf Of Alaska. We are writing to urge the Trustees Council to use Exxon Valdez settlement monies to acquire timber rights to lands threatened by logging from Icy Bay west to Kodiak.

Restoration/Habitat Acquisition Rather than Research

Given that there is little we can do to reverse the damage caused by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill, the highest and best use of Exxon Valdez settlement monies is the acquisition and preservation of the highest terrestrial wildlife habitats in the North Gulf and Prince William Sound. Scientific research is important, but will only occasionally and indirectly result in restoration. Furthermore, legitimate researchers will always be able to tap funding sources such as their own institutions and the National Science Foundation. On the other hand, when it comes to acquiring threatened habitat, there is no other place than the Trustees Council to turn. The State has proven generally unwilling to protect its own lands from logging; the federal government is not likely to interfere; and, even if they wanted to, the Directors of Native Corporations cannot forego logging without compensating their stockholders for revenues lost.

Alaska Waveriders believes that those areas which are most important for fish and wildlife and most threatened by logging, mining, or other resource development should be acquired first.

- North Afognak

Last year, the Council protected North Afognak lands on the east side of Seal Bay because they were in imminent danger of being logged and because the people of Kodiak recognized their high importance for wildlife. Alaska Waveriders applauds the Trustees' action. Now, the lands on the west side of Seal Bay are threatened. If the Pauls\Lauras Lakes area is logged, anyone standing on the shore of Seal Bay is going to be staring across

Mr. Jim Ayers - November 4, 1994 Page 2

this beautiful waterbody at clearcut-ravaged hillsides. We urge the Trustees to use settlement funds to protect your previous investment in Seal Bay and ensure that both shores remain unspoiled and productive for wildlife.

Eyak

Alaska Waveriders understands that Eyak is similarly threatened. We believe that Eyak deserves the Trustees Council's immediate attention. Since the spill occurred in and most heavily impacted Prince William Sound, it seems appropriate that the Trustees would focus its efforts there.

Icy Bay-Yakataga Forelands-Cape Suckling

While we agree that Exxon Valdex Settlement monies should not be used for non-coastal restoration projects, Alaska Waveriders has never understood the logic that has excluded lands east of Prince William Sound from consideration. Every day, these shorelines face the potential for spills from laden tankers outbound from Valdez and are subject to imminent and massive logging. In fact, the 27 mile long clearcut west of Icy Bay is one of the few manmade features on the planet visible to the naked eye from the Space Shuttle. Logging on the east side of Icy Bay threatens to ruin the foreground of one of the most spectacular sights in the entire world, the view of Mt. St. Elias as seen from cruise ships entering Icy Bay. Alaska Waveriders urges the Trustee Council to revisit the issue of buying out the timber operator at Icy Bay. The prepatory work that they've done could form the basis of a world-class tourist resort. In addition to aestheticsm, the lands around Icy Bay provide high value fish and wildlife habitat. This area is also intimately connected to Prince William Sound and other oiled waters. Many of the migratory birds and marine mammals that visit Prince William Sound and the Western Gulf of Alaska each summer stop to feed in the Icy Bay-Yakataga Forelands-Cape Suckling area enroute. It is inconcievable to us that the state or federal government or anybody else would let this National Park entrance be thrashed, but thus far, that is exactly what is happening.

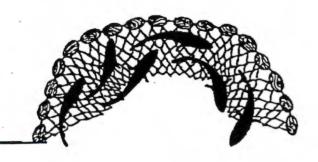
Please distribute this letter to the Trustees. If you have any questions, or if there is anything else that Alaska Waveriders can do to assist the Trustees protect terrestrial wildlife habitat and compensate the environment for the insult of the Exxon Valdez oil spill, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Mike Macy, Director of Public Policy



P.O. Box 2399 Kodiak, Alaska 99615 Phone 907/486-4686 FAX 907/486-7655



November 2, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

As commercial fishermen in the Kodiak/Afognak Island area, we want to strongly voice our opinion on the North Afognak Island purchase.

In the recent past, you have acted on purchasing the eastern portion of Afognak Island and it has been made into Afognak Island State Park. This was a very responsible and appropriate action to take to save this valuable and unique area and we want to thank you for this action. Now the rest of North Afognak Island is available for purchase from Afognak Joint Venture and again, this is another opportunity that should not be passed up.

The salmon spawning streams of Northern Afognak are very valuable to our fisheries and the side-effects of the harmful clear-cut logging practices could severely injure this area. The Paul's Bay system is the dominant system on North Afognak for coho and sockeye salmon. The habitat contained within the Paul's and Laura Lake systems support a large sport and commercial fishery.

The Red Fox Bay area in Northwest Afognak is another critical habitat area for coho, sockeye, and pink salmon. This area is an important addition to the adjacent refuge on Western Afognak. Additionally, Shuyak Island supports a very large coho fishery that is an integral part of the commercial and sport fisheries. After living, big game guiding and fishing on Shuyak for the past 20 years, I believe that this area is a nursery ground for brown bear from North Afognak.

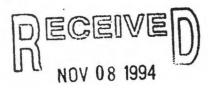
We have all seen the effects of poor logging practices throughout the southern portion of Afognak where many places have been logged to the edges of the coastal rain forest, lakes and streams resulting in detrimental erosion. Elk, Deer and Bear have been severely impacted by the slash that is not cleared away; natural browsing is impossible and the game is forced to travel on the roads where loggers hunt them day and night from their vehicles.

The forest has multiple resorces and the logging companies have already claimed their percentage. Volume you to strongly consider the volume remaining pieces of acreage for purchase which can be added to the existing State Park. These three areas are very fragile and deserve the protection that purchase by the Council will supply.

Sincerely

Bruce Schactler,

Director



EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPEE

658 Lincoln Avenue St. Paul, Minnesota 55105-3530 612-222-5476

2 November 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99509

Dear Sir or Madame:

I am writing to urge you to use all of the settlement funds to acquire the private lands within Chugach National Forest, Kenai Fjords National Park, Afognak Island, and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. I believe that protecting habitat while funds are available to do so is the best way to ensure the sound's eventual recovery.

Thanks you for considering my views in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Martina Winn

Testimony for Exxon Council Meeting on November 2, 1994. Kodiak Legislative Office on line for Meeting.

A Letter written by Mark Thissen of Kodiak

11-2-94

As read by Lorna Steelman, DEGETIMED

Dear Members of the council Thank you for this chance to testify. I am a Kodiak commercial fisherman presently employed as a carpenter. I am a supporter of the Councils decision to make certain habitat acquisitions in the spill effected areas and see it as a prodent use of the settlement movies over which you as Trustees preside.

I supported and appreciated the Council's acquisition of what is town as Afognak State Park, Seal Buy area. Adjacent land to the west known as Pauls and Laura Lakes Area are being looked at for potential logging in the near future. I have personally spent time in this high quality wilderness. It is an

intact ecosystem featuring the pristine lakes, the timber stands, rugged coastline and the species of fish and mammals dependent upon them. Your own studies have given this area the highest biological ratings. It would truly be an a high quality acquisition. If the Native Corporation, the Timber Company, the Council & whatever parties may be involved can come to a mutual agreement on this area acquistion I would fully support Thank you.

Mark Thissen POBX 3262 Kodiak, AK 486-2419

Nov. 1, 1994

To: James Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Sue Post Box 1075 Homer, AK 99603 235-6382

Dear Mr. Ayers:

I'm writing this letter to urge you and the Trustee Council to keep working for comprehensive, spill wide habitat protection packages which will include Chenega Lands, areas up for sale on Afognak Island and the Eyak parcels near Cordova.

I commend the great work you and the Trustees have already accomplished. Your foresight and stewardship means future generations of Alaskans will be able to enjoy the magnificence of Seal Bay and Kachemak Bays. Now you must dig in and consummate deals that will save Chenega's, Afognak's and Cordova's forests as well.

Thanks again for all your hard work so far but please remember, the job is far from done.

SUB POST

Sincerely,

Homer, Alaska

John Mangiameli Anchorage, AK 99501

Jim Ayers and Trustee Council members Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers and Trustees:

Tomorrow you will be meeting to dedicate funds for habitat protection and other restoration projects. I believe this is an unparalleled opportunity to purchase timber rights, conservation easements, and land to protect areas that might otherwise be developed in a manner that would deal another blow to the populations of fish, wildlife, and birds that were devastated by the oil spill. I understand that you expect to act on Kodiak Refuge parcels. While these areas are very important, they are part of a larger, comprehensive program that will protect habitat across the spill area.

Please don't stop with these deals. Eyak Corporation and Chenega Corporation own hundreds acres of densely forested land that is prime habitat for fish and wildlife. Parcels on North Afognak and the coastline in Kenai Fjords are also vital parts of the puzzle. Please continue to pursue these deals.

John Mangiameli Anchorage, AK

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JIM AYERS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

EXXON VAIDEZ SEMLEMENT TRUSTEE COUNCIL

625 "6" STREET

ANCHORAGE AK 99501

Jim.

I WRITING YOU REGARDS NOW THE ACQUISITION
OF NORTH AFOGNAK BY THE STATE TO BE INCLUDED
AS STATE PARK ALONG WITH SEAL BAY AND SHUYAK ISLAND,
I BELIEVE THIS TO BE CRUCIAL FOR GAME HABITAT AND
EQUAL ACCESS TO ALL ALASKANS. I STRONGLY URGE
YOU TO SUPPOT THIS PROPOSAL THANK YOU.

Malalms Campuel
P.O. BOX 3323
KODAK AK 99615

November 1, 1994 Box 3080, Kodiak AK fax 486-6323

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council

I would like to voice my support for the acquisition of North Afognak. This area was oiled in 1989. The rest of Afognak has been logged. This area has been used for hunting and anadramous fish habitat. Before this area is destroyed by logging please put buy this land and include it in the Afognak State Park.

Also I would like to see Termination Point included in the acquisitions to as it is the only accessible pristine land to the road system for use by day hikers and short term tourists.

Thank You,

Mary Jacobs

SUTLIFF ENTERPRISES P.O. Box 3669 Kodiak, Alaska 99615

NOVEMBER 1, 1994

JIM AYERS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
EXXON VALDEZ SETTLEMENT TRUSTEE COUNCIL
625 "G" STREET
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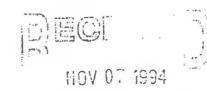
DEAR MR. AYERS,

I HAVE BEEN A KODIAK RESIDENT FOR 55 YEARS. I ATTENDED NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE FOR ONE YEAR STUDYING FORESTRY.

I HAVE BEEN ON THE KODIAK FISH AND GAME ADVISORY BOARD FOR 20 YEARS, THE ALASKA GUIDE BOARD FOR 5 YEARS. I WAS THE FIRST SCOUT MASTER IN THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA.

I AM A PRIVATE PILOT. I HAVE OWNED AND MANAGED A LUMBER YARD FOR 23 YEARS.

MY HOBBIES ARE HUNTING ANS FISHING. I WAS ACTIVE IN MANY PROJECTS DURING THE TIME THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TRANSFERRED THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR FISH AND GAME OVER TO THE STATE.



Norman C. Sutliff (907) 486-4746

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Margaret Sutliff (907) 486-3688

I WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY IN FAVOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA ACQUIRING THE LAND ON THE NORTH END OF AFOGNAK ISLAND WHICH INCLUDES THE PAUL'S LAKE DRAINAGE. I FAVOR THIS PURCHASE BEFORE IT IS CLEAR CUT. I HAVE NO FINANCIAL INTEREST IN ANY PERSON, ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS CONNECTED WITH AFOGNAK ISLAND.

THIS AREA INCLUDES THE OLDEST PURE STAND OF SPRUCE TIMBER IN ALASKA, PERHAPS IN NORTH AMERICA.

IT INCLUDES THE PAUL'S LAKE DRAINAGE THAT HAS THE BEST SPORT FISHING I HAVE EVER KNOW. RAINBOWS IN THE SPRING, AN EARLY RUN OF RED SALMON AND AN AUGUST RUN OF SILVER, ALL SURROUNDED IN THE MOST BEAUTIFUL FOREST AND UNSPOILED BY MAN.

THIS AREA IS ALSO THE HOME OF A HEALTHY, THRIVING AND WELL PROTECTED BROWN BEAR POPULATION. HUNTERS HAVE LITTLE SUCCESS IN THIS AREA BECAUSE OF THE GOOD COVER. THE DEAR AND ELK POPULATION IS STABLE AND IN GOOD SHAPE.

I HAVE FISHED THIS DRAINAGE AT LEAST THREE TIMES EACH YEAR FOR 45 YEARS. I ALSO HAVE CHECKED AND MAINTAINED THE TWO FISH LADDERS THAT WERE INSTALLED WHEN WE WERE STILL A TERRITORY.

I HOPE YOU WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN ACQUIRING THIS GREAT PIECE OF REAL ESTATE. I AM HOPING I CAN TAKE MY GRANDSON THERE SOME DAY TO ENJOY WHAT I HAVE BEEN SO LUCKY TO ENJOY

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CAROL JENSEN 4800 E. 112th Avneue Anchorage, Alaska 99516-1612 (907) 346-3321

November 1, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Mr. Ayers & Council:

I'm writing to urge you to take action to acquire and protect the following areas, which otherwise will be clearcut by logging companies:

All of North Afognak Island (highest priority...Pauls & Lauras Lakes area) Port Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay (near Cordova)

Successful management of habitat, wildlife, all land and water resources depend on a committment to total ecosystem management. One enemy of this type of management (and an enemy of wildlife and their habitat) is the timber industry. Unfortunately, this industry, as well as other environmentally damaging industries, has enmornous support within the Federal and State governments. If Coghill or Campbell are elected governor, we will see protection for all state timberland destroyed, and along with it the wildlife, jobs and recreational, fishing and tourist opportunities and dollars.

Time is running out for protection of these lands. The purchase of all of Eyaks timber rights is essential to insure protection to maintain a healthy habitat and diverse wildlife populations.

The above areas are particularly important due to their extraordinary wildlife and marine habitats and their proximity to other heavily logged timber areas that are displacing the wildlife. The public has indicated it wants as much land protected from development as possible. These are very difficult decisions that have been placed in your hands. I believe hearing directly from the public on specific areas should be helpful to you.

Thank you for your attention, consideration, and most of all your hard work.

Sincerely,

Carol Jensen

DATE: 31-Oct-94

TO: Jim Ayers

Executive Director, Exxon Trustee Council

645 'G' street

Anchorage, Ak. 99501

FROM: Tim Joyce

P.O.Box KKB Kitoi Bay

Kodiak, AK. 99697

Dear Mr. Ayers:

I support utilizing the Exxon Trustee Council funds to purchase additional land on Afognak Island to be placed in the existing Afognak state park. Afognak Island is unique in its biological diversification. The current land owners are willing to sell their land which is contiguous with the existing state park. The additional land joined to the state park would provide for more opportunities for tourism and outdoor recreation which otherwise might be lost.

Sincerely,

Tim Joyce

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October 30, 1994 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Trustee Council.

I'm writing to the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Council to implore them to use the oil settlement funds to acquire threatened habitat from willing private landowners. The following list are priority habitat acquisitions that we would like to be seen set aside for future generations to enjoy:

- 1. The Port Gravina/ Orca Bay; The old growth forests of eastern Prince William Sound near Cordova provide exceptional habitat for spill-injured species and support high value wilderness recreation and tourism.
- 2. Port Fidalgo; On-going logging activities here threaten the densely forested habitat along sheltered bays near Valdez and Tatitlek.
- 3. Knight Island Passage; Rugged mountainous island with intimate bays support growing wilderness recreation/tourism use and provide habitat for spill impacted species such as killer whales, harbors seals, bald eagles and salmon.
- 4. Kenai Fjords National Park; One of Alaska's crown jewels, the hearty of this rugged coastline is threatened by logging and development on private lands within the park.
- 5. Port Chatham; This is the last stretch of intact forest habitat along the tip of the outer Kenai Peninsula coast.
- 6. Shuyak Straits; The Sitka spruce forest on northern Afognak is home to marbled murrelets, salmon, brown bear, elk and deer. The Shuyak Straits are a highly productive aquatic environment, a virtual " maritime interstate highway" for marine life.
- 7. Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge; Although logging poses no threat here, other proposed development activities would jeopardize prime brown bear habitat and other wildlife values.

The following people would like the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council to review the above listed areas to set aside using the Exxon settlement money. Thank you,

Kristine M. Vangstad

Tmi Mulick

Janie Taylor

Steve Hilsgen

Michelle Devine

Stephen Boyd

Robbie Kaplan

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October 26, 1994

James Ayers,
Director,
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Trustees
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

RE: Forest habitat, Afognak Island and Prince William Sound

Mr. Ayers,

I am concerned that the Council is moving too slowly on acquiring critical habitat on Afognak Island. This island is rich in wildlife and fisheries resources which are threatened by extensive clearcut logging operations.

The northern section of Afognak is a very unique area and deserves special attention by the Trustee Council. One exceptional area, the Pauls and Lauras Lakes, should be acquired as soon as possible. You should then move to acquire the remaining timber lands on northern Afognak, and Shuyak Island.

Please don't delay action on the Afognak lands. The loggers seem to be working day and night anymore. The damage that they have done to places like Afognak and Two Moon Bay over in Prince William Sound is unbelievable! Didn't anybody learn anything from the timber disaster in the Pacific Northwest? People who call that forestry are either crazy, greedy, don't care, or all of the above. In general there is little or no hope for these characters. They are going to lay waste to Alaska's forests then blame everybody else when it's all gone.

The Trustees are the only people with the power to protect threatened forest habitat in the spill affected area. They can go down in history as wise responsible individuals that went the extra mile to protect these places, or they can be remembered for squandering the funds on bureaucrats, attorneys, and endless studies which inevitably say that it's bad to throw crude oil on fish and wildlife.

The Trustees seem to care about doing a good job, and they are all very capable individuals. If they would exert greater control over their bureaucrats they would undoubtedly have one great success after another. Kachemak Bay and Seal Bay were very encouraging actions. I hope that the Trustees will continue to put their collective efforts to work acquiring critical forest habitat on Afognak Island, and Prince William Sound.

* Please copy my letter to all of the Trustee Council

Sincerely,

7301 Clairborne Drive Anchorage, AK 99502 October 29, 1994

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Jim Ayers, Exec. Director Exxon Trustee Council 645 G. Street Anchorage AK 99501

RE: North Afognak Island

Dear Sir,

We are writing you to urge you to do everything possible to preserve the wilderness of North Afognak Island. We have sent several groups of amateur photographers to Afognak Wilderness Lodge on Seal Bay. Each group has gone home praising the pristine beauty of this area. Its bays, shores and woods are a haven for unique flora and fauna which our photographers delight in preserving on film.

Mr. Van Os, owner of Joseph Van Os Photo Safaris and a worldwide nature photographer, has proclaimed Afognak Island as one of the most beautiful places on earth. This from a man who has traveled extensively the world over.

We all urge you to speedily purchase the proposed land on North Afognak Island to keep it from being logged.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

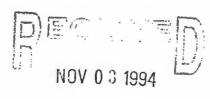
Carolyn May

Office Manager and

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Jim Ayers, Executive Director EVOS Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501



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Dear Council,

I am writing to voice my support for the acquisition of three specific areas you are presently considering:

- 1. Termination Point (1000 acres)
- 2. Pauls and Laura Lakes Area (13,400 acres)
- 3. Shuyak Straits Area (27,100 acres)

The first is a beautiful forested area I recreate in regularly (for the past 16 yrs.) and it's readily accessible to everyone in Kodiak. The second two areas are places to which I have never been but hope to someday go based on reports from friends and -- the wildlife ratings of the Trustee Council. When I get there I hope the areas still have all the qualities they do now, plus one more: longterm protection.

I sincerely hope you are able to acquire these areas and I fully support this strategy as the most effective means of restoring wildlife populations and values to spill affected

areas.

Sincerely,

P.O. Box 2940 Kodiak, AK 99615

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Jean M. Conger S. 3406 Grand Bl. #206 Spokane, WA 99203

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G St.
Anchorage, AK 99509

Dear Trustees,

Government studies show that, five years after the Exxon Valdez oil spill, most populations of injured wildlife, including sea otters, seals, harlequin ducks, murrelets, and wild salmon, have not yet begun to recover. These species depend on the rain forest for their continued existence. However, large areas of forest along the 1500 mile stretch of coastline affected by the spill are scheduled for clearcutting in the near future.

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I strongly urge you to spend ALL of the settlement funds to acquire the private lands within Chugach National Forest, Kenai Fjords National Park, Afognak Island, and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. Only in this way can the wildlife populations of the region recover.

Sincerely,

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Joanna Cocca P.O. Box 692041 West Hollywood, CA 90069

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Anchorage, AK 99509

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Joanna Cocca



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October 28, 1994

Kathleen McGinty
Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 360A
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Katie:

The Alaska Rainforest Campaign is a coalition of Alaskan and national environmental groups working to protect Alaska's coastal temperate rainforest ecosystem. One of our top priority issues over the last two years has been to build support for acquisition of threatened forest habitat within the Exxon Valdez oil spill zone.

We were pleased to hear that a tentative deal has been reached with two of the three Kodiak Native corporations to acquire large amounts of habitat to be added to the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. Inroads which have been made in this area are reflective of the Administration's commitment and hard work on this issue. We do have a concern, however, that restoration would be incomplete and somewhat inequitable without a commitment to comprehensive land acquisitions in major forested areas impacted by the oil spill.

The Exxon settlement fund continues to offer the administration an unparalleled opportunity to protect world class natural resource values in one of the world's most endangered ecosystems — the temperate coastal rainforest. Tens of thousands of acres of this habitat remain available for purchase, many of which are threatened with imminent clearcutting.

Specific areas of concern include Afognak Joint Venture lands on north Afognak Island, holdings within Kenai Fjords National Park, and Eyak Corporation lands near Cordova. We feel that it would be appropriate and proper for the Administration to take a hard line in support of comprehensive habitat acquisitions on these and other forested lands at the Trustee Council meeting next week. A commitment to this process is critical toward ensuring that the momentum established by the Kodiak deal is continued. Thank you for your consideration, and please let us know if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

CC:

Charles M. Clusen Senior Associate

Natural Resources Defense Council (for the Alaska Rainforest Campaign)

George T. Frampton, Assistant Secretary of Interior James Lyons, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Doug Hall, Assistant Secretary of Commerce

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Jim Ayers, Executive Director, Exxon Valdez Trustee Council Adela Backiel, Department of Agriculture Rick Grand, Department of Agriculture Phil Janik, U.S. Forest Service Dan Sakura, Department of Interior

Ellin London 82 Pound Ridge Road Pound Ridge, N.Y. 10576-1631 October 27, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers
Executive Director
Exxon Settlement Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Please contact the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council and ask them to buy all of North Afognak in order to safeguard popular hunting grounds, important salmon rearing areas, and critical wildlife habitat. The Pauls and Laura Lakes area...contains the finest remaining stands of timber of Afognak Island and is home to marbled murrelets, bald eagles, elk, prodigious salmon runs, and the Kodiak brown bear.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Robert London

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Thank you for all you have done already to save some of our great. Treasures.

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Please do another comprehensure deal: Eyak, Afognak, and Karai Fjords! Hanks-

Kachemak Bay Conservation Society

Oct 26, 1994

Dear Members of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council,

I am writing on behalf or the Kodiak Audubon Society. We are a group of about 80 citizens who advocate environmental education and responsible resource management.

We would like to thank you for your continued work toward habitat acquisition. We believe habitat protection is the most efficient way to aid recovery of the resources injured by to Exxon Valdez oil spill.

As you know, much of Afognak Island is rapidly being destroyed by clear cut logging practices. We would like to see as much Afognak land permanently protected as possible. The Pauls and Laura Lakes area would be an excellent addition to the newly created Afognak Island State Park. This combined parcel would enhance resource recovery as well as provide both local citizens and tourists with a prime recreation area.

We hope you will be able to successfully work with Afognak Joint Venture and provide protection for the Pauls and Laura Lakes area.

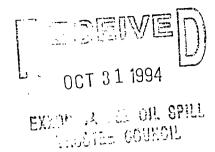
Sincerely,

Mary E. Forbes

President, Kodiak Audubon Society

Mary E. Forbes

October 26, 1994



Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

As a 32-year resident of the State, I have seen too much deforestation in the name of progress. Thankfully people like you and fellow trustees are attempting to hold the line in Southcentral Alaska. Perhaps there is still time to advocate buying timber rights to Eyak Corporation lands near Cordova: Sheep and Simpson Bays, and Port Gravina specifically.

Also brought to my attention is the rape of North Afognak Island. Hopefully, we can preserve beauty and the eco-system for animal life as well as any progeny I might have.

Please advise fellow Settlement Trustees of my feelings.

Sincerely, Rosalie Tupper 4088 West Hill Road Homer, Alaska 99603 OCTUBER 26 194

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I, DAVID P. HOLLIS, ENCOURAGE YOUR COUNCIL TO PURCHASE FAREAS OF SHUYAK AND NORTH AFOGNAK ISLANDS FOR USE AS A STATE GAME REFUGE.

THESE LANDS ARE IMPORTANT WILDLIFE HABITAT THAT SHOULD REMAIN FREE FROM LARGE SCALE CLEARCUT LOGGING.

SINCERELY,

David P. Hollis

P.O. BOX 73426

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Ruth Sheridan 4704 Kenai Anchorage Alaska 99508

Oct. 26, 1994

Jim Ayers, Exec. Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G St.
Anchorage 99501

Dear Jim Ayers:

I appreciate the efforts of the Exxon Valdez 0il Spill Trustees to use the settlement funds judiciously and in the interests of all Alaskans, and commend you for your good work.

I'd now like to ask you to closely examine the Eyak Corp. lands near Cordova, especially Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay, and suggest that you purchase all of Eyak's timber rights.

May I also call your attention to North Afognak Island, particularly the "Pauls and Lauras Lakes Area" - the highest biologically rated area in your own study - and ask you to purchase all of Afognak Island.

Would you please inform the Council members of my request.

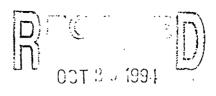
Thank you again.

For a better world,

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October 26, 1994

James Ayers Director, EVOS Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501 EXMONICAL CONTRACTOR OF CHILD

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I wanted to thank the Trustee Council for successfully acquiring and protecting lands in Kachemak Bay, and Seal Bay. The Trustees managed to procure these wonderful places under very difficult circumstances; I commend them for their good team work. I am very appreciative of the Councils efforts toward habitat acquisition; purchasing high quality wildlife habitat is the best possible use of settlement funds.

At this point in time I am very concerned about the remaining high quality habitat on northern Afognak Island. I feel that places like Pauls and Lauras Lakes and Shuyak Straits are in great danger of being lost if the Council delays acquiring them. Much of Afognak has been wrecked by clearcut, cash it out quick, and run management which will leave nothing for our children. It appears like the Trustee Council are the only ones that can pull anything good out of this dreadful situation.

I'm going to put my faith into your efforts. You have some very capable people working on these issues and I know you're all trying hard. People down the road will appreciate your work when they visit beautiful forested places like Seal Bay.

Sincerely,

Marlyn Twitchell

1846 - B, Bootlegger Cove Drive

Anchorage, AK 99501

James Ayers Executive Director EVOS Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Ak 99501

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Mr. Ayers,

In general, the Trustee Council is doing good work. I am writing because of my concern over the delays in purchasing key habitat areas on Afognak Island. The Council identified and ranked many different areas of the Island in their "Large Parcel Evaluation & Ranking" project last year. This study noted that the north end of Afognak Island ranked very high for potential restoration benefits. I strongly support a large scale acquisition on north Afognak.

Afognak Island used to be part of the National Forest system. Since Afognak was transferred into private holdings in 1981, the Island has taken quite a beating. Clearcut logging has inundated much of the central and southern end of the Island. Under current management they will likely continue intensive clearcutting until there is next to nothing left.

The Trustee Council has a chance to make history by doing something very positive with the remaining settlement funds. There should be sufficient funding allocated to do a large scale, comprehensive acquisition on north Afognak; then the Trustees should proceed to acquire the remaining large timbered holdings on Afognak.

Thank the Trustees for their great work on Seal Bay. I hope they follow up their success by securing the Pauls and Lauras Lakes parcel.

Sincerely,

Mary Kenworthy

3428 East 88th Ave.

Anchorage, AK 99507

Jim Ayers

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage Alaska, 99501

Dear Jim,

I know it is always a difficult process on How to decide on what is most important in saving of our wildlands for tuture generations.

I do believe Timber rights should Be purchased From Eyak Corporation to protect Port Gravina, sneep Bay and Simpson Bay. I also believe all of North Afognak Island should be purchased especially the fauls and Cauras Cakes Area) seeing as how this was the highest rated biologically diverse area in your study. Thank You for your efforts in protecting this area for the fiture to date. Many who have yet to see this great land will be thankful for your wise efforts.

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EXXON VALUEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

October 25, 1994

James Ayers
Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

Please take the following actions in the restoration process.

- Purchase all of the northern section of Afognak Island.
- Place a priority on the Pauls and Laura Lakes area in any purchase negotiations.
- Examine the "General Restoration and Research projects" very closely, and eliminate any which do not directly contribute to natural recovery (most of them).

Thank you for considering these comments. Please encourage the Trustees to act quickly in acquiring habitat areas. Thank them for their good work.

Sincerely,

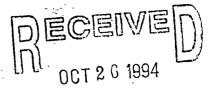
Virginia Ulmer 2221 Muldoon Rd

Anchorage, Ak 99504

Please see that each of the Trustees recieve a copy of this letter

October 25, 1994

James Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Restoration Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, Ak 99501



EXXON VALUEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COURCIL

RE: Afognak Island Habitat - Pauls & Lauras Lakes

Mr. Ayers,

I want to thank the Council for their efforts to acquire and protect important habitat on Afognak Island. The Seal Bay acquisition was an excellent example of good team work among the Council members.

I am writing because I am concerned about the adjacent property to Seal Bay. Your staff have given the Pauls and Lauras Lake area the highest rating among the many land parcels which they have reviewed. I have concerns that this area may be logged because of delays in the Council process. It would be tragic to lose such a beautiful and valuable area when the Trustees have so many resources at their disposal.

The best thing that we can do with the remaining settlement money is to buy important habitat areas and see that they are protected. Afognak Island offers some of the best choices for benefiting resources which suffered great abuse during the oil spill.

I hope you will cut back on unnecessary projects which are being pushed by the droves of people that seem to want to feather their own nest - keep a sharp eye on government agency waste and foolish research projects.

Again, Thank the Council for their efforts on habitat protection.

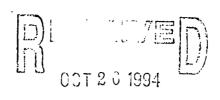
Best Regards

Eron Seitz

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Anch., Ak 99501

Please copy to Council members



October 25, 1994

James Ayers Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage. Ak 99501

Mr Ayers,

I am writing to ask that the Trustee Council purchase three land parcels in the north Afognak area. The lands which I am interested in seeing the Council acquire are identified in the land review process as Pauls/Lauras Lakes (AJV 03), Shuyak Straits (AJV 01), and Shuyak Island (KIB 01). I would like to see these lands owned and managed by the state in a designation which protects the habitat resources. These areas support significant game resources and should be managed in a manner which allows hunters and sportsmen to enjoy the areas without unduly restrictive regulation. I feel that the state representatives of ADF&G in the Kodiak area do a fine job of game management and they should be given deference on management questions.

Thank the Trustees for their good work on the Afognak Island issues. I am very appreciative of their efforts so far.

Sincerely

Thomas Ely Box 1014

Haines, AK 99827

Please copy my letter to all of the Trustees

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October 25, 1994

James Ayres
Director
EVOS Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, Ak 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I am writing to ask that you expedite land purchase agreements for habitat areas on Northern Afognak Island. The Trustee Council identified habitat areas on North Afognak as some of the most valuable in the oil spill area; I would be very distressed to see these places damaged by the extensive clearcuts which are devouring the rest of the Island.

The Council is doing a good job - I appreciate your efforts. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely

Tim Bristol

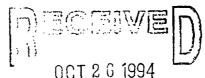
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Please copy my letter to all of the Council

Jeffrey G. Gallahan 1142 H STREET • ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 9950



Tim Ayers

Executive Director

Exam Valdez Settlement Trustee Council

645 G Street

Anchorage, AK 99501

DEAR MR AYERS:

I would like to express my gratifude to you and the rest of the EVOS Trustees for their devoted effort to these difficult regotiations. Your hard work is appreciated.

Please give additional consideration to the Eyak Coll. londs around Cordova. These areas, including Port Graving Sheap Bay and Simpson Bay are part of an abundant and rich forest ecosystem. That should be protected. Please purchase all of the Eyak Corp. timber rights.

Please quechase all of D. Afognak Island especially the Pauls and Lauras Lakes Area, The beauty and wild pristion nature of Afognak is one of my favorite areas of Alaska. Your own study rates this area as one the highest biologically.

Thanks again for your efforts,

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Dear Mr ayers,

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Cabbez settlement money.

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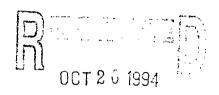
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P.O.Box 2125 95 anchorage, AK 99521-259 October 22, 1994

Jim ayers Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501



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Dear Mr. ayers:

My husband and I would be grateful; if the Exxon valder Settlement Trustee: Council would please consider using the 1991 court settlement funds to purchase all of the Eyak Corporation's timber rights, especially those relevant to the Port Gravina Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay areas.

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additionally, we would be grateful of the Councilsused the settlement fields to purchase all of North agognak Island, but especially the Pauls and Lauras Lakes area.

The areas mentioned are heavily forested and face destruction by clearcuttoriquiless "bought back," with that destructions will come loss of recreational opportunities. Because of the scale of clearcutteria envisioned, the loss of wildlife and recreational values to the

people of alasha and to their posterity can never be made good agains. I we appreciate all the Council has done so far to use the settlement funds to preserve habitat in key areas. Now that same dedication is needed to preserve lands faced with imminent clear witting, namely, the Eyah Corporation lands mentioned above and all of North afognah Island.

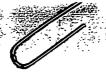
Please copy this letter so that all council members may be aware of our concerns and recommendations.

thank you.

Respectfully, Sallie Hoggs SALLIE HOGG

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Jay Halbert, President

October 21, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 625 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: The North Afognak State Game Refuge

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I am writing you to ask for your help in having the rain forests of North Afognak saved from logging. This is some of the most beautiful and wild land on this earth and some of the last virgin timber available for wildlife. My time and money is available to help achieve this. Would you please make this your top priority for the EVOS funds. If I can help in any way please do not hesitate to call or write.

Sincerely,

Jay S. Halbert, President

Shatan Company, Inc.

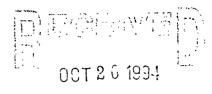
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GLENN E. CRAVEZ, INC.
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Anchorage, Alaska 99501

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October 21, 1994



Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501



Dear Mr. Ayers:

First, I want to thank you and your fellow council members for all your time, effort, and hard work to date in connection with the Council. Your task is an unenviable one in some ways. On the other hand, your willingness to undertake this difficult assignment speaks highly of your dedication to public service.

Next, I have a few comments to offer regarding possible land and timber rights purchases, and I ask that you share this letter with all council members. Please designate for purchase all of northern Afognak Island, including but not limited to the Pauls and Lauras Lakes area which your study gave a high priority to in terms of wildlife habitat within the spill zone.

Also please designate for purchase Eyak Corporation lands near Cordova including those at Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and Simpson Bay. Also please consider purchase of Eyak's additional timber rights in the area, either in whole or in part. This region provides a superb habitat for wildlife which is worthy of protection from timber harvesting.

Again, thank you for your consideration and your efforts to date.

Very truly yours,

Glenn E. Cravez



ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION

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October 20, 1994

James Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trade Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, Ak 99501 EXXO MALH I OIL SPILL

Dear Mr. Ayers,

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) supports protecting wildlife lands on Northern Afognak Island through state purchase utilizing Exxon Valdez spill settlement funds. The Elk Foundation believes the conservation of important habitat, as determined by professional biologists and land managers, is a fundamental step necessary for the perpetuation of wild, free-ranging wildlife species.

The Elk Foundation has cooperatively funded research on Afognak and Raspberry Islands elk with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. The elk herds now enjoyed by Alaska's citizens will depend on continuing management of the animals and protection and enhancement of their habitat. Protection of key wildlife habitat today will increase future management opportunities and maintain more options regarding use and enjoyment of renewable natural resources.

RMEF encourages the Trustee Council to support acquisition of the Northern Afognak Island parcels. The existing wildlife values and linked human services warrant wildlife habitat conservation efforts that will benefit the people of Alaska and the nation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and please feel free to contact RMEF Director of Conservation Programs Kevin Lackey (406/523-4542) with any questions or information needs. We respectfully request copies of this letter to be sent to all Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council representatives.

Sincerely,

Ron Marcoux

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Group Manager, Conservation Programs

cc: Carl Rosier, Alaska Fish and Game Department Director

Byron Donaldson, RMEF Alaska Field Director Kelly Hatfield, RMEF Kodiak Chapter Chairman Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501 OCT 2 0 1994

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Dear Mr. Ayers and Trustees:

Residents of Kachemak Bay have long supported habitat acquisition as a vital way to restore the fish, wildlife, and bird populations that were devastated by the Exxon Valdez oil spill. Many areas that these same populations rely on today are threatened by clearcut logging and other industrial development.

Many residents of Homer and the surrounding areas worked for years to assure that private inholdings within Kachemak Bay State Park would be protected from logging. We sincerely appreciate the work of the Trustees to see that this important habitat was not lost. But, other areas are still threatened. We encourage the Trustees to act quickly and fairly to purchase land and timber rights in these areas. We are specifically concerned about habitat on northern Afognak Island, the vast forested bays and lowlands surrounding Cordova in Prince William Sound, and the coastal holdings within Kenai Fjords National Park.

This is a once in a life time opportunity to prevent an overwhelming loss of habitat. We look forward to seeing the strides made in acquisition deals that come out of the Trustee's November 2 meeting.

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to Jim Ayers 645 C. Street

Afognak Wilderness Lodge SEAL BAY, ALASKA 99697 CATERING TO ADVENTUROUS VACATIONERS . PHOTOGRAPHERS . FISHERMEN . HUNTERS Radio Phone Contact: (907) 486-6442 **ROY & SHANNON RANDALL** FAX: (907) 486-2217 Owners & Operators October 21st, 1994. gim Ayens, Executive Director, EXXON VALDEZ TRUSTEE COUNCIL, 645 "G" Street, Anchorage AK 99501 FAX: 276-7178 RE: North Afognak Island purchase Dear Mr. Ayers, We have lived and operated our Lodge in the heart of North Afognak Island for the past 21 years and have lived here for 9 years previous to that...since 1964. We ourselves know that it is one of the choicest pieces of real-estate in the State of Alaska and through the years, this has been often confirmed by our international clientele (who have seen most of the better portions of this globe). As you know, the ADF&G habitat staff that works with the Trustee Council has also rated N. Afograk as the highest quality lands in the State. Because of this up-front knowledge of the high quality of these lands, the initial punchase of 42,000 acres was made in the last year. Please vote to ADD ON these contiguous lands for an even larger State Park preserve that will be protected from logging. This is all that is left of this great jewel...which all the Kodiak Island area inhabitants great prize. Afograk Joint Venture is eager to sell. The local people are eager to have you buy. You have all the data that proves it to be a wise choice. Please follow through. We are all anxious to see the desires of the people met in our area and trust that your good judgement will align with ours. Shannon Randall,

Afognak Wilderness Lodge.

Enclosures - copies for distribution to Council members

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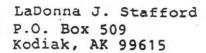
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Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
625 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

October 21, 1994

This is in response to the ads and articles that have been in the Kodiak Daily Mirror and arrived in mail boxes in Kodiak.

I am strongly opposed to the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council buying any more land on North Afognak and closing it to logging.

How can the Council justify buying timber land and putting hundreds of people out of work, with money awarded to restore damage done to property and wildlife by the oil spill? Timber lands and wildlife located miles from the beach suffered no harm from the spill. The flyer that came in the mail stated "the road system has led to ever shorter seasons," (hunting) "tighter permitting systems, and lost hunter opportunities." I have lived on Afognak since 1986. The deer season has never been shortened. There has been some adjustments to the elk seasons. However, I have not seen evidence that the logging activity on Afognak is the cause for that. There is no evidence given to support the statements printed in the flyer. Perhaps such events as someone flying above a herd of elk and causing a large number of the elk to run off a rocky cliff has something to do with the decline of numbers. If there is actually a decline. Or perhaps it is because of certain people bringing in influential people to hunt and shooting their elk for them. One person is responsible for shooting three elk for the people he brought over. Has anyone thought that maybe the hunters are hurting the hunting? Not the responsible hunter , but the ones who come here and take illegal numbers of both deer and elk. Then they leave and go back to their cozy wood homes, enjoying the heat from their wood burning stoves and sit around and condemn the logging activities. Activity most of them have no first hand knowledge of. It is these acts listed above that have affected the hunting seasons and the animal count, not the logging. I an not sure who is doing the counting, but in the eight years I have lived here, I have not seen a decline in the numbers. Any drive out the roads at any time of the year, has revarded us with sightings of wildlife.

The logging activities on Afognak are carefully monitored and regulated by several state agencies. Koncor spends thousands of dollars reseading the logged area. They monitor the regrowth and of an area is growing back thin, they reseed or replant that area.

has anyone taken the time to spend a couple of days out here to see the care that is taken as the timber is harvested? Or to see the work that is done to insure the trees grow back healthy?

The logged areas allow an abundance of tender green growth, which provide excellent feeding ground for the deer and elk. An over mature forest doesn't allow the green growth on the forest floor. The spruce trees on Afognak are so limby it is hard for the sun to shine through. Yes, the trees are need to provide a canopy of protection in the winter. That is why considerable time and money is put into the selection of each area to be logged. Areas are left to provide that protection.

There is a lot of wrong information being presented by people who do not live in the forest of Afognak. Most of these people have never even seen the island.

Timber is a newable resource providing jobs to hundreds of people on Afognak. We take pride and care in doing our work here. We, too, want to enjoy the beauty of the forest and wildlife for years to come.

When will the American public wake up to the problem. The "environmental" groups main concern is not protecting the environment or wildlife, it is to stop industry in America. I worked in Washington, D.C. for a few years and saw first hand their tatics. It is just not the logging that they are opposed to, it is also mining, oil development and fishing.

Unfortunately, we can not all became government employees when the logging jobs are stopped. The people involved in the industry are going to have to stand up against these attacks.

Using Exxon Oil Spill settlement money to acquire land and making that land a state park...great. But who pays for the management of that park? And at a time that seventeen State Parks were closed for lack of funds. A number of these closed parks were ones that were accessible to be enjoyed by all. The Afognak State Park is not accessible to the majority of the people. Most of us could not afford to charter planes to the area. Living on Afognak, I know first hand the cost of flying to the island. Just from Kodiak to Afognak, the cost can be as high as \$200.00 one way. So all the State has done is created a rich man's playground. Afognak. Wilderness Lodge was a big promoter for the purchase of the Seal Bay area for the Afognak State Park, as their lodge is located there. This makes their lodge and guide services more attractive to attract more hunters to kill more deer and elk. Where is the justice!!

As I was typing this, the Kodiak Daily Mirror printed a letter from Tim Bristol of The Alaska Rainforest Campaign. In that letter he states what the Afognak area looks like from a jet as he flew over. That's just the point, as he flew over. Has he taken the time and the effort to see what is really happening on Afognak?

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October 19,1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501 OCT 2 0 1994

EXXON: V.L.DEZ CIL CPILL
THUSTER COUNCIL

Dear Mr. Ayers,

I hope I am one of many Alaskans concerned about the acquisition of Eyak Corporate lands at Port Gravina, Simpson Bay and Sheep Bay and the timber rights for all of Eyak's holdings. I am equally concerned about the acquisition of lands at Paul's Lake and Laura Lake on Afognak Island.

All one has to do is to fly over these areas that are still in their natural state and then fly over areas clear cut to understand the esthetic and spiritual value of these lands. Researching the biodiversity of these same areas and the potential for long-term, sustainable and non-consumptive use gives one an even clearly understanding of the need to protect these areas.

I encourage you to express these concerns to the members of the council. I appreciate their regard in other issues that have arisen and hope that the areas mentioned above can be secured for future generations.

Thank you for your positive and successful efforts to this point.

Sincerely,

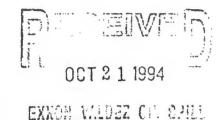
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Hans U. Tschersich 1423 Baranof Street Kodiak, AK 99615

19 October, 1994

The Exxon Valdez Trustee Council 625 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501



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Re.: Land Acquisition North Afognak Island

Two years ago I visited the Laura Lakes area near the northern shore of Afognak Island and was very impressed with the great natural beauty of this area. An old Forest Service cabin still tells of the past history of public ownership of this old growth forest. This wooded lake district and the adjoining coast is still pristine habitat for wildlife of a great variety. It is now acutely threatened by logging. I hope this area can become part of the adjoining State Park at Seal Bay to create a more intact coastal ecosystem for the many species of animals that have become impacted by devopment and exploitation of the adjacent land and streams.

I hope that in the long list of proposed land aquisitions this area of northern Afognak Island, Shuyak Strait and the small parcel at Monashka Bay/Termination Point near Kodiak feature prominently as candidates for purchase with Exxon money.

Sincerely.

Hans U. Tschersich

Dear Council,

EXX. CIL SPILL

I'm writing to say Thank-gon for your efforts in land furchase negotiations. This has to be a most difficult tosk. I also wish to en
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Lauras Lakes Area, Please remember that this area

has the highest biological ruting of the study done by

the Council.

In addition please try to purchase all-timber rights from the Eyaks. If this can't be done put special emphasis on Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and Simpson Bay. Again Thouk you for your efforts with these difficult negotiations.

Sin corely,

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Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 'G' Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Attn: Jim Ayers, Executive Director

Re: EVOS Trust Fund

Gentlemen.

I am writing to request that the Trustees consider using the trust funds to acquire additional land to protect wildlife and fish habitat. Areas that I believe are valuable are as follows:

- 1. Cordova Area/Eyak Corporation Lands: Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, and Simpson Bay. This should include the Eyak timber rights.
- 2. Kodiak: All of North Afogonak Island, with emphasis on the Pauls and Lauras Lakes Area.

I wish to thank the Trustees for their efforts to date and in the future. Although I do not follow the efforts of the Trustees on a regular basis, it is good to know that someone is working to save wildlife habitat for future generations.

Sincerely

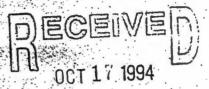
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October 14, 1994

EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL

Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

Please provide funding to buy back lands in Prince William Sound and along the coast to Kodiak. Try if possible to make comprehensive deals on Afognak and with the Eyak Corporation.

As a physician and long term resident of Alaska, I feel the greatest long term benefit and economic promise is keeping the forest intact in these areas. Intact forests will provide years of sustainable income from tourism, fishing and other local forest based industries. Clearcutting these lands is a short-sighted way to make a buck and will take a century or more to recover.

Specifically:

- Please focus attention on the Eyak Corporation lands near Cordova --- Port Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay. Also please consider the purchase of all Eyak timber rights.
- 2.) Please purchase all of North Afognak Island especially the "Pauls and Lauras Lakes area". As your own study revealed, this is the highest biologically rated area.

Thank you for all your efforts so far. I know that negotiations and fund distributions can be a painfully complicated and slow process at times.

Sincerely

Y. (Tynn Mickleson

P.S. Please copy this letter to other council members.



ALASKA OUTDOOR COUNCIL

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October 18, 1994

James Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Re: Letter of support for North Afognak game habitat acquisition

Mr. Ayers,

The Alaska Outdoor Council (AOC) supports proper management of coastal and interior forest, fish and wildlife habitat located within the Exxon Valdez spill affected area and elsewhere.

The AOC is an umbrella organization of over 40 Alaskan outdoor clubs, plus individual members. Our membership numbers approximately 10,000 Alaskans. AOC's first goal is to perpetuate the natural resource base upon which members activities depend. Our second goal is to insure equality of access and use of these natural resources.

Currently public support is being solicited for three large parcels located on Northern Afognak and Central Shuyak Island, KIB01, AJV01 and AJV03. Each of these three parcels has been assigned a ranking of high potential restoration benefit.

AOC supports the state purchase of these three parcels with Exxon Valdez spill settlement funds.

AOC will lobby the state legislature to protect access to and sustained yield consumptive uses of renewable resources located on these three parcels, if indeed these lands are acquired by the State of Alaska.

Thank you for considering our interest in the wise use of Alaska's habitat and resources.

Please, I would ask that this letter of support be forwarded to all the Exxon Valdez Settlement trustee Council members.

Sincerely

Rod Arno

President, Alaska Outdoor Council

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Dear Jun Lyers

north Afognak Island.

I am a flight attendant for Alaska Aulines who frequently flies to Kodiak Island. I am very concerned about the premium wildlife habitat that is threatened by logging on

I personally look forward to kayaking and exploring these areas, and I know that many of the people who fly to Kodiak and proceed on to the authoring areas are there solely to experience the unique unforched beauty of its nowinforests, rivers, mountains and inlets I wige you to buy and protect the Shujak Strait as well as the Pauls/Lauras Lakes area of North Afognak.

I truly believe that it will be in Alaska's best interest to Stop the logging on morthern Afogmak by buying it and making it into the North Afogmak State Fame Reguige.

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Oct. 17, 1994

Jim Ayers, Exxon Valdez Settlement Council 645 G St. Anchorage, Ak 99501 OCT 2 1 1994

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Dear Jim:

This is our second letter, but we feel very strongly about this issue of using Exxon settlement monies to purchase Native corporate forest lands so they may be saved for the enjoyment of future generations.

We ask you to continue negotiating with Eyak Corporation for a complete buy back of their lands, especially including Port Gravina, Simpson Bay and Sheep Bay. We feel the same about North Afognak Island. Please purchase all of this area with a priority –on the Pauls and Lauras Lakes Area since it is regarded as the highest biologically rated area in your own study.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Frank and Jennifer Keim

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Box 54

Marshall, Alaska

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P.S. Also a hearty thanks from both of us for your past negotiations and purchases.

Kristian H. Erickson 19629 Sunnyside Dr. N., #N-101 Seattle, WA 98133-2716

October 17, 1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

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Dear Mr. Ayers:

I grew up hearing frontier stories of my relatives who figured prominently in the history of early Washington State and the Territory of Alaska. I enjoyed the wilderness of western Washington—but throughout my life I watched it disappear to logging and development. In a few regions, the foresight of community leaders helped save big blocks of land, especially in the North Cascades. In other places, the salmon and wildlife habitat vanished before anyone really understood what was happening and how valuable it all was.

One thing nearly everyone agrees on these days: Not enough was saved to preserve the quality of life we all want, to say nothing of fishing and hunting resources.

In recent years, on my trips to South-central and Southeast Alaska, I have watched the wilderness be devoured with the same type of ignorance that we showed in the Lower 48 a few decades ago. It has been deeply distressing.

But now, there has been a small but wonderful stroke of luck. Through the Exxon Valdez disaster, money has become available to save some of the most valuable rainforest! You and your committee have a wonderful opportunity to make a great and lasting contribution to the future of Alaska.

I urge you focus high priority on setting aside by purchase as much of the coastal rainforest ecosystem as possible. I urge you to purchase all of North Afognak Island. Once that is accomplished, then I urge you to pursue the Eyak Corporation lands in the Cordova area, especially Port Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay.

You are charged with a great responsibility, and you are doing a good job. Remember that you have an opportunity to mark Alaska's historical development. The finest praise of your actions won't be heard until well into the next century. Act with this in mind.

(May I ask that you circulate this letter to the other members of the committee?)

Sincerely,

(Mr.) Kristian H. Erickson



Audubon Society, Inc.

A CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY

Post Office Box 101161 Anchorage, Alaska 99510

Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Sir:

The Anchorage Audubon Society urges the Trustee Council to seize the unique opportunity now available to acquire outstanding forested wildlife and recreation land in Prince William Sound and on northern Afognak Island. Although there are many worthy projects lined up for the settlement dollars, it is hard to think of one with more long-lasting benefits than the simple rescue of wilderness lands from future damage and exploitation.

In particular, please focus your efforts on Eyak Corporation lands near Cordova, such as Port Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay; and the northern Afognak lands which your own studies have rated as the best wildlife habitat in the spill zone.

In spite of the huge amounts of wild lands in the state, the most population pressure is located in coastal regions, which are also affected by what takes place at sea (like oil shipments). It seems appropriate, therefore, to take extra measures to assure that we retain this unique type of habitat for the wildlife for which we are so famous.

We appreciate the delicate negotiations required for these land acquisitions and wish you success.

Sincerely,

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Christine Maack, President



EXXON VALUEZ OIL SPIL!
TRUSTEE COUNCIL

Dear Sirs:

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Council to purchase Eyek lands in the Port Graving

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forested lands with salmon spawning streams are an integral part

of ecosystems that would suffer dramatically from large scale

clearcutting. Public opinion strongly favors purchasing these

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We thank you for your efforts and ask for your

consideration of these timely issues.

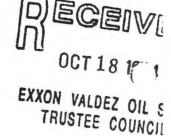
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Rachel Swingler

Could you nhave send a comment this letter to the other members.

7806 Linda Lane Anchorage, AK 99518 October 17, 1994



Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

I am writing you, at this late stage in the process, to once again urge you to increase spending on habitat protection, specifically the parcels on Afognak and Shuyak Islands. I also strongly urge you to purchase holdings from Lesnoi to protect Kodiak's Termination Point Trail. I have hiked this trail several times. It is probably Kodiak's only road accessible rain forest trail. It is a scenic stretch of trail that winds through rain forest and along the coast. I understand it suffered some oiling, which would qualify it for purchase. It is also of some historic value as there is an old cabin built during World War II at the end of the trail. It has considerable recreational value, with documented use by people from all over the country.

Thank you for your consideration in these important issues.

Sincerely,

William M. Cox M.D.

William M Cox MD

ALASKA RAINFOREST CAMPAIGN

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October 16, 1994 (Transmitted by Fax)

Phil Janik
Regional Forester
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Forest Service
709 West 9th Street, Room 249
Juneau, AK 99802

Dear Mr. Janik

I am writing you to ask for a clarification on an issue which falls under your jurisdiction as the United States Forest Services representative on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Trustee Council.

It is my understanding that the Forest Service has played an important if not critical role in the appraisal and evaluation of lands which the Trustee Council has linked to the restoration of species and services injured during the oil spill. The Forest Service has assisted the process by providing guidance and expertise on timber evaluations in critical habitat areas.

Mr. Janik, I am troubled by a report the Trustee Council's highest rated, and ranked land parcels on Afognak Island have never received an appraisal. One account of this situation notes that to date, a appraisal has not even been initiated. Given the length of time that the Trustee Council has had to deal with the Afognak conservation land issues, the Council's knowledge of these lands importance to the restoration process (Pauls & Lauras Lake - highest rating in spill area), and the amount of interest that the public has shown in their acquisition, I'm at a loss to explain to people why things have never even gotten started.

In my capacity as an Activist Coordinator for the Alaska Rainforest Campaign I work directly with concerned people in the spill affected communities. I assist in the supervision and coordination of ARC staff who also frequently travel to, and meet with, people in the spill affected communities. The dissemination of educational materials relating to the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Trustee Council process constitutes the majority of our work. The ARC staff is asked questions on the status of Afognak Island conservation acquisitions on pretty much a daily basis, and we have little or no information to provide to inquiring parties on the subject of the Afognak appraisals.

U.S. Forest Service, Afognak. Page 2.

I would appreciate it if you could provide a written chronology of the Forest Services involvement in the Afognak Island appraisals since the beginning of calendar year 1994. Please include any additional information, such as, interagency memorandum, or documentation, which would help clarify and understand the Forest Services involvement in the Afognak Island appraisal process.

Thank you very much for your assistance. I would greatly appreciate if you or your staff could respond to this information request at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely,

Greg Petrich

Activist Coordinator

Alaska Rainforest Campaign

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cc Afognak Joint Venture
George Frampton, U.S. Dept. of Interior
Craig Tillery, Alaska Dept of Law
James Ayers, EVOS Restoration Trustee Council

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Dear Trustee Council

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Exxon Settlement Trustee Council
645 "G" Street
Anchorage, AK 99501

October 12, 1994

To: The Exxon Valdez Advisory Committee.

Fax:907-276-7178

Dear Committee Members:

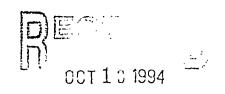
Alaska's economic future and prosperity depends on its renewable natural resources, especially those of its Oceans and Forests. In support of research to improve the growth and yield of the renewable resources, please establish a long-term investment fund under the auspices of the Alaska Science and Technology Foundation, or similar organization, to manage the earnings for resource development.

Sincerely,

John N. Alden

1117 Galena Street

Fairbanks, Alaska 99709



SXXON LLOW IT STALL October 10, 1994

Dear EVOS Trustee Council Members,

I am writing to you to express my support for the current negotiations between yourselves and the Eyak Corporation.

As I understand it, the Trustee Council is attempting to purchase timber rights from the Eyak Corporation to prevent the clear-cutting of major parcels of land in Prince William Sound and adjacent areas.

I would like to offer you my wholehearted support in this endeavor and encourage you to do what ever is necessary to prevent further unsustainable logging in this area.

I worked for the ironically dubbed Sound Development, Inc. which was logging here until the fall of last year. And while I would potentially have much to gain, financially, if logging were to continue in this area, I am no longer able to support the unsound logging practices that the Eyak Corporation has permitted to take place on their lands.

I have seen first-hand the disregard for stream boundaries as clear-cuts engulfed creeks that contained salmon which had returned to spawn. There can be no doubt that practices such as this can only further damage the already suffering wildstock returns in these waterways.

We must never forget that there is an incredibly delicate balance between the land, the water, and the skies. And that by doing something to protect one of them you are invariably helping the world as a whole.

Another concern that I would like to express is the likely impact that the clear-cutting of these tracts would have on the community of Cordova. While a certain amount of revenue would be generated for the city throughout the timber extraction process, it is probable that this would last but a few short years. The effects, however, would last for generations.

The City of Cordova is currently engaged in efforts to build a deep-water port at Shepard's Point. This is a major investment by, not only our community, but the state as well, to stimulate tourism in this region. The logging of this terrain would not only offer an appalling welcome mat to any visitors entering via Orca Inlet, but also destroy the optimum destination for day-trips out of Cordova.

Some of the proposed tracts are favorite places of mine for boating, fishing, and hiking. Simpson Bay and Nelson Bay are places of unimaginable beauty and I hope that someday I will be able to take my children and even grandchildren to these areas.

It is within your power to see to it that some kind of agreement is forged. I am aware that there are many details that still need to be worked out and that a deadline is rapidly approaching. If nothing else, I implore you to at least reach an agreement on the timber rights so that this incredible region retains its pristine splendor forever.

THANKYOU!

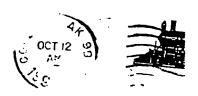
Sincerely,

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EVOS Trustee Council 645 °6" Street Suite 401 Anchorage, AK 99501-3451 DEAR COUNCIL MEMBERS,

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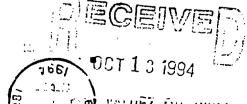
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Sheldon J. Morris 425 Grant St. Briogeport, C706610-3222 October 6 th Exhon Valdez Cil Spill Truster Connact 645 D Street anchorge, ak Gentlemen: I urge you to protect alaskés rain forest from logging and other development threats, and Image you to support spending at least \$500 million on habitat protection yours Truly, Sheldon Drippin Mortis OCT 1 1 1994

FAX: (305) 443-6074

3608 Royal Palm Avenue Miami, Florida 33133-6227 October 2, 1994

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 995091

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Dear Council Member:

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The Exxon Valdez oil spill was a dreadful disaster that never should have happened and whose effects will be felt forever. I am concerned about these effects. Although I live in Florida, I care about what is going on worldwide. I recently read that you received settlement funds for the case. However, the fragile Alaskan ecosystem is deteriorating quickly and your funds could be useful.

The Chugach National Forest is being bought out by developers, miners and loggers at a rapid rate. The same is true for Kenai Fjords National Park, Afognak Island and the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. I am urging you to use a portion of the settlement funds to buy out the private land in these areas. This would reduce the mining and oil traffic in these areas that could cause another such spill.

Environmentalists, ecologists and scientists are facing a great problem these days...

funds. We are losing these funds to the government and national administrations. When funds appear, such as in this case, they must be used wisely. Why not use them to protect the very areas the spill damaged? This issue is of immense importance and needs to be addressed.

Awaiting your comments,

Sincerely,

Oliver Bernstein

JoAnne Thompson 1903 El Camino de la Luz Santa Barbara, CA 93109,

September 16, 1994

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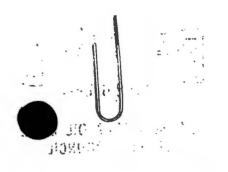
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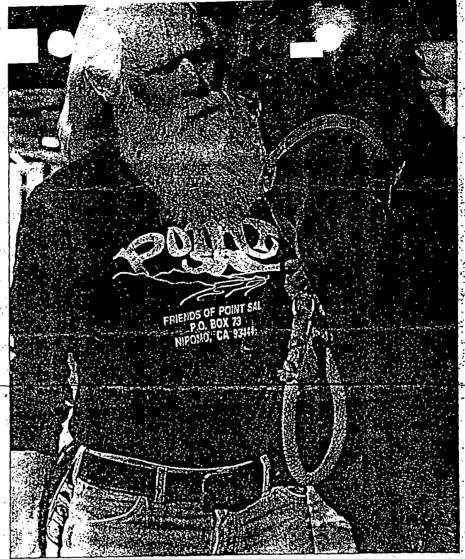
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Susan Goldman/Times

Bill Denrieen was awarded the Sierra Club's Oliver Kehrlein award.

Nipomo naturalist gains Sierra Club's highest honor

NIP/INCO — This week, Nipocon is a child of the Denoted hed a child of the Nipomo Dunes on Tuckey, and a horseback ride Wednesday. On Thursday, he field a mar of the Cayucos tide pool and on Saturday he planned a disit to the Pinnacles National Comment.

It is requise of his busy schedule leading people through the wonders of the local environment that Denneen was awarded the Sierra Club's prestigious Oliver Kehrlein award this year.

The country given to only one person in the nation each year, him, is people who consistently lear outlings and educate the public chout the environment.

Siere : tob officials will present : tward to Denneen at a bank to tin San Francisco May 1

Gary (small the local chapter acting chapter who more than the transfer way of the

knowledge, announced at the group's March meeting that — Denneen won the award. Deneen said he was so besy that day — hiking, riding, or doing whatever he does — that he almost didn't go.

"It came the night of the meeting and I said. I don't know if I want to go, it's a long drive," Denneen said.

Felsman said Denneen is so active educating people about the environment that when he submitted Denneen's name for the award, he sent in a pile of papers a quarter-inch thick just describing Denneen's tours.

Denneen entered the conservation movement 30 years ago when he helped form the San Rafael Wilderness He also spent 25 years sharing information about the environment as a biology and microbiology teacher at Hancock College.

One of the biggest fights in Denneen's years of activism occurred during the 1960s, when PG&F possideres and diing a nuclear power plant on the Nipon: Dunes near Oso Flace Lake But, following a flurry of meticism from the public, PG&E built the plant at Diablo Canyon instead.

Now, the Nature Conservancy manages the Oso Flacourea, and Denneen feels comfortable that it will be protected. So be has turned his attention to the Pismo State Vehicle Recreation Area.

He is founder and chairman of the Citizens for a Vehicle Free Dunes and often attends public hearings to urge the elimination of vehicles from the dunes.

"When enough citizens realize this benefiful shoreline... is being run over by vehicles and noise-we'll get rid of them," Denneen said

When he not lobbying to eliminate venicles, he plans to rally behan a proposal recently released by a National Forest task force to reduce vehicle task special forests.

Shanti Shanti Kaur Khalsa P.O. Box 35882 Los Angeles, CA 90035

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Connie McCabe 555 Pico Ave. San Simeon, CA 93452

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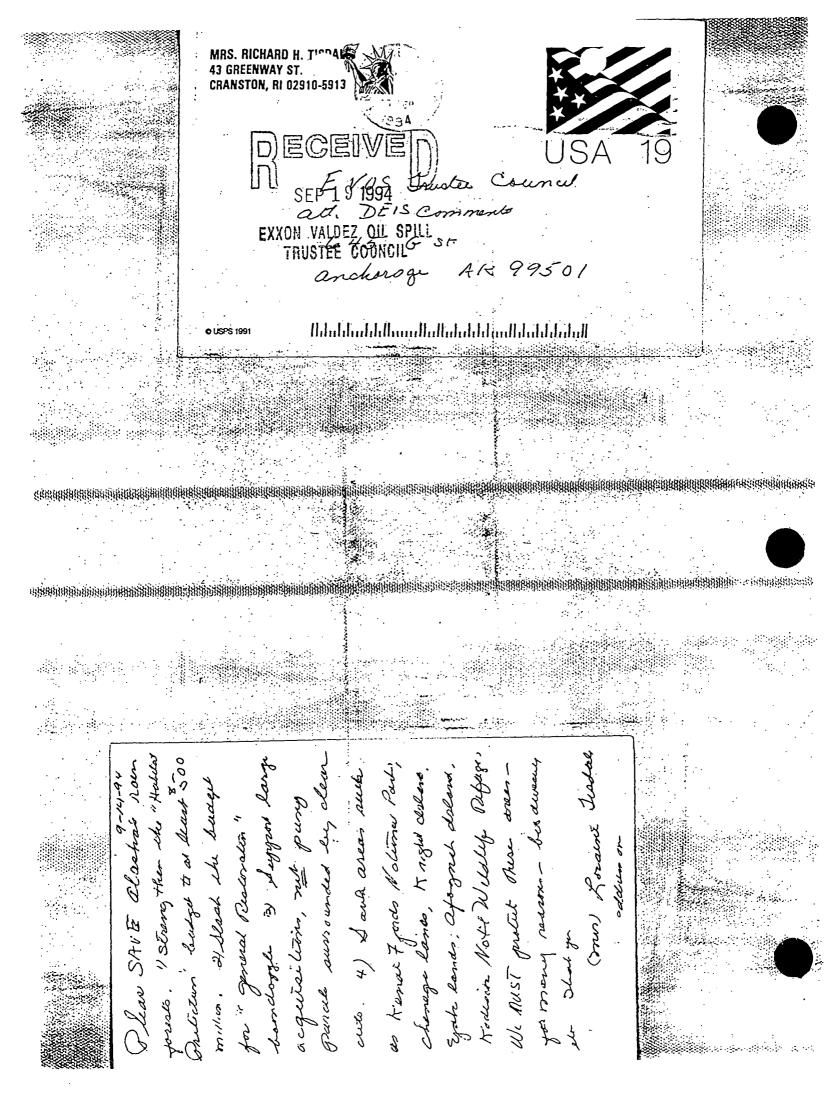
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September 6, 1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 "G" Street Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Mr. Ayers:

RAINFOREST.

Alaska Rainforest Tours is a central tour booking and trip planning service specializing in wilderness and wildlife watching experiences using local owner/operated tour businesses. We work with over 100 independent tour operators, lodge owners, charter skippers and B&B owners throughout the state on a regular basis. As the wilderness tourism industry continues to grow (which it will--Alaska is one of the premier wilderness destinations in an evershrinking world) demand for more pristine bays, coves, valleys and mountains will grow as well. This past year we saw a significant increase in the number of people specifically wanting to visit the Kodiak area to see wildlife (bears, sea otters and sea birds especially). With careful protection and stewardship we can protect fishery and wildlife habitat, forest diversity and provide jobs for many generations to come.

I thank the Trustees for their efforts in protecting areas to date and urge the Trustees to purchase all of North Afognak Island (I understand that your study rated this area as having the highest biological priority in the study area) and all of the Eyak timber rights in the Cordova area.

Thank your for your consideration.

Sincerely,

OCT 1 1 1994

Karla Hart

Partner

P.S. Would you please see that my letter is copied to the Council Members.

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To: Jim Ayers, Executive Director
Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council
645 G Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Please copy to all Council Members, thanks.
Fax: 276-7178

My name is Erick Carpenter, and I would like to start by saying "thank you" for the work you have done. I would like to throw in my two cents worth and ask that you on the council give some serious thought into purchasing the lands of Port Gravina, Sheep Bay, Simpson Bay, and Northern Afognak Island. I used to live in Cordova, and I have recently seen the results of the clear cutting around Sheridan Glacier.... I worked in the canneries and I would often go out to Sheridan to sleep for a few hours before returning to the plant. Needless to say, it is no longer a view that I would recommend to anyone.

I have a hard time with the fact that, one, this wood isn't even being kept in the U-S. and two, is being sold at a loss to the Far East. I also noticed that most of the "Alaska Loggers" are now living in Washington where they moved from, in order to harvest the trees. I probably wouldn't mind clear cutting a few acres either, as long as it was not in My backyard. Well, it isn't their backyard, and I too would raise a stink if some "tree hugger" was trying to take away my \$70,000.00 a year job.

Well, I'll get down off my soapbox, and ask that you folks go out to these areas (if you haven't already) and take a close look, not off a boat or in a plane, but go into the woods and see it up close, it has a beauty that is something else. I would really appreciate it if you could find a way to keep these lands preserved and ask these folks that are logging it to find a less traumatic way of developing our resources. I once again thank you for your time and wish you all the luck.

Godspeed Erick N. Carpenter

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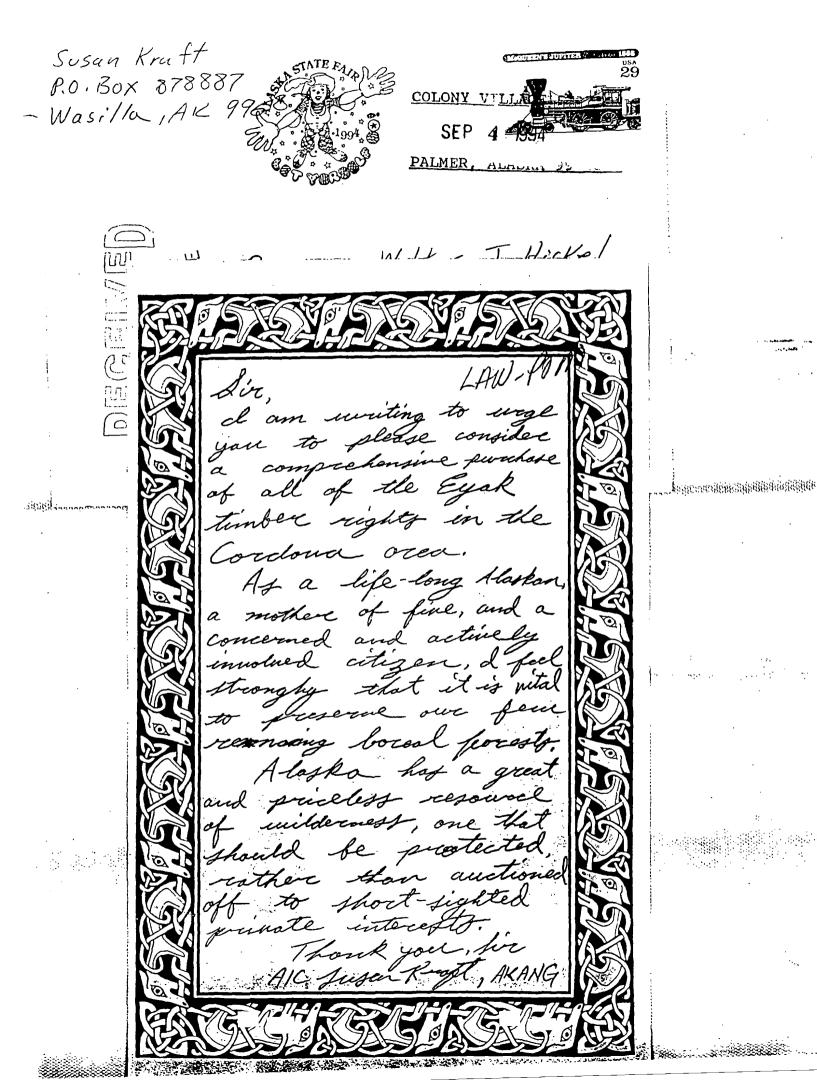
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September 27, 1994 (pw, pp)) Lovenor Walter J. Hickel State Capital, DO Box 110001 Juneau, ax 99811 Dear Yovernor Hickel. I have two concerns I would like to bring to your attention; I I would urge you to support the allocation of a minimum of 500 million for habitat protection and preservation Some costly surveys and studies are of walue but too many end up mouldering away in anyone. I'm referring to dispersal of le well-being, more so than popular, well used, and readily 201-1314JEG:0 Sincerelys JAMES R. MAHAFFEY 9601 MIDDEN WAY ANCHORAGE, AK 99507

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Sincerely;
Tay Halbert

To wish you all the special things This merry Christmas season brings.

Merry Christma \underline{s} .

May this wonderful season of love and peace coarn your life with a contract that will last through the season

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Thankyou for your consideration to purchase lands and establish Islands. Tslands. As Alaekans we are very fortunde to have such wild and remote places. Indeed there are areas of unique heboitats. Your efforts are essential if them habitute are to be preserved for the future. I sincerely believe that the quality of our lives is directly related to the quality of our fish of willife habitut. There are all too many who would just assume the off these inheritances

I encourage you to acquire as much property as possible.

Wishing you and yours an abundance of joy at Christmas and through the New Year.

Regardely Robert Berul

All the happiness

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that life can bring your way

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on this Christmas Day

MATT KINNEY VALDEZAK THANKSFOR POUR EFFORTS

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To the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council and Staff:

Your wise decisions to help preserve so much of unspoiled Lond on the Kodiah Archipelogo is the greatest gift of this season to the people of Alseles and the entire



Kachemak Bay Wilderness Lodge

July 29, 1994

Mr. Jim Ayers, Director Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, AK 99501

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We hope that Governor Hickel and Commission Sandor will agree that this protection of large areas will be the most profitable for Alaska in the long term.

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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

Dear Mr. Rott:

Thank you for your suggestions regarding the restoration projects you believe are most important for the Trustee Council to implement following the Exxon Valdez oil spill. As you may be aware, a number of other citizens and interest groups also advocate acquisition of habitat or timber rights as an important part of the restoration process.

The 1993 imminent threat analysis project is designed to examine habitat protection options. This project and the associated process were discussed at the September 14, 1992 Trustee Council meeting. A copy of the press release summarizing the meeting is enclosed for your information.

Your opinions and suggestions, along with those received from other members of the public, will be carefully considered as the Trustee Council makes decisions about the overall restoration program.

We very much appreciate your ideas and concerns. If you have additional comments or questions, please feel free to contact me in care of the address above.

Sincerely yours,

TRUSTEE COUNCIL

By Dave Gibbons, PhD

Interim Administrative Director

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing once again to urge you to
place Habitat acquisition very high on your agenda.
There is little doubt that the remaining coastal
habitat around Prince William Sound, the Outer Gulf
Coast, the South Shores of Kachemak Bay and portions
of Asognak and Kodiak Islands should be protected.
Only of this area was adversely affected by the spill
as we all know.

These highly productive waters and their forested shorelines and drainage systems are also heavily used for recreational activities. The spill was disastrous to the 1989 tourist and recreational season. In the Homer area (with which I am most familiar) there are recreation and education organizations which have yet to recover completely from that dreadful summer. The dip net fishery in China Poot Bay is still closed down and will likely remain so until that area is returned to Kachemak Bay State Post and public ownership.

This brings me to the state of disarray in which the Kachemak Park restoration (Buy-bock) remains at present. This is one of a number of prime examples where the Trustee Council is in a position to correct an ongoing and ever more imminent threat to a very important and highly productive habitet region There can be little doubt that any sort of timber harvest, no matter how carefully done and regulated,

will cause untold destruction to local fisheries and recreational opportunities in this very productive and popular region. Enosion into the critical habitat area, blowdown of remaining trees, damage to spawning streams and lakes, and the obvious fact that no timber will grow back in this latitude for several generations are a few salient reasons which cry out for the protection of this habitat by restoring the pack. Since in spite of many efforts over many years, the State has failed in this, it may well remain for your Trustee Council to accomplish this vital piece of habitat protection.

Go for it!

Thank you
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November 2, 1992

Richard W. Tyler P.O. Box 1281 Homer, AK 99603

Dear Mr. Tyler:

Thank you for your comments of September 14 expressing support for the concept of habitat protection in general, and purchase of timber inholdings in Kachemak Bay State Park in particular, as part of restoration activities undertaken by the *Exxon Valdez* Oil Spill Trustee Council.

Kachemak Bay is included as a component of the 1993 habitat protection imminent threat analysis project. This project and the associated process were discussed at the September 14, 1992 Trustee Council meeting. A copy of the press release summarizing the meeting is enclosed for your information.

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Dear Mr. Gibbons:

In wake of Governor Walter Hickel's unconscionable veto of land-acquisition monies, I urge the Oil-Spill Restoration Trustees to seize the moment.

Unless the trustees act immediately, we may lose such gems as Kachemak Bay State Park and Eyak lands to the ax.

The people of Alaska have spoken. Through countless public hearings in support of land acquisition the people have identified many areas needing immediate habitat protection. Not in years has the state legislature seen such an outpouring of public support for an issue. After years of hearings, both the state house and senate agreed upon specific lands needing immediate protection.

I realize the trustees are trying to define a process by which land acquisition will take place. But I implore you not to fiddle while Kachemak Bay State Park is logged. I urge you to move quickly to protect areas immediately threatened in Prince William Sound before it is too late. Likewise, in the longer term, other areas in Prince William Sound, Yakutaga, Afognak and Kodiak need protection.

We do not need to spend the restoration monies on bureaucrats studying issues ad infinitum while the purpose for which the monies were really intended is lost.

You have a responsibility to act now at your July 20 meeting. At a minimum you need address Kachemak Bay and Eyak Lands -- areas even the attorney general has recommmended for acquisition and deemed consistent with the settlement agreement.

To wait until the August 31 meeting may be too late. Many lands may be logged before acquisition studies are completed. Please do something now!

Very sincerely,

Kevin Harun

Executive Director

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