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Mary's Message

October 23, 1994

Jim Ayers, Executive Director

Exon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council

This note is in regard to land in Prince William Sound and Northern Afognak Island. Please prevent clearcuts in these areas!!!

Please do not let human greed destroy Port Gravina, Sheep Bay and Simpson Bay. Purchase all of Eyaks timber rights, especially North Afognak Island, priortizing the "Pauls and Lauras Lake Area". Remember that this is the highest biologically rated area in your study!

Deforestation is a threat to the human race. Help mankind survive by saving the few remaining forests on earth. Keep trees alive and perhaps we will survive.

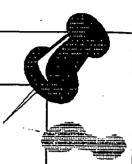
Thank you for your efforts!

Sincerely,

Mary Alta Buckingham

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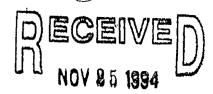
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EXXON VALDEZ OIL SPILL TRUSTEE COUNCIL

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July 15, 1997

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Bcc: Eric Myers - FYT

Mr. Daniel and Ms. Randy Busch Kodiak Island River Camps P.O. Box 1162 Kodiak, AK 99615

Dear Mr. and Ms. Busch:

Thank you for your letter regarding development near Pauls and Laura Lakes on Afognak Island. I understand the land in the Pauls and Laura Lakes area is owned by the Afognak Joint Venture (AJV). Afognak Native Corporation manages timber harvest operations on AJV lands. A series of Detailed Plans of Operations were received on May 27, 1997, by the Division of Forestry. The timber harvest units addressed in these logging plans are located to the west of Pauls and Laura Lakes. The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council made a purchase offer of \$70 million for 20,000 acres in the area, which was declined by AJV because they felt that the value of the timber harvest on the land made it worth more than the amount offered. The council is currently negotiating for other habitat protection measures, such as increased stream buffers and/or selective cutting in addition to eventual transfer of title to the state.

If the area is harvested without additional protections, the state will ensure that harvest operations comply with the Alaska Forest Resources and Practices Act. For Afognak Island, the act requires a riparian protection buffer be maintained along anadromous streams and lakes to protect fish habitats. It does not, however, dictate how a landowner will manage other forest resources, nor does it prohibit use or sale of timber products. Decisions on where to harvest are made by the landowner, and you would need to contact them directly about their proposals.

You may also contact the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) about opportunities to use protected state land, including Afognak Island State Park to help visitors experience Alaska's outdoor recreational qualities. The DNR Public Information Office at 269-8400 can help you get in touch with the appropriate state land managers.

Thank you again for your letter. We will continue to monitor the negotiations between the landowner and the council on the land purchase or habitat protection easements on these lands.

Sincerely,

Tony knowles

Governor

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council

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September 21, 1994

Mr. Howard Valley Chairman Afognak Joint Venture P.O. Box 1277 Kodiak, AK 99615

Dear Mr. Valley:

I have received several recent inquiries about the role of landowners in the appraisal process being utilized by the Trustee Council. This letter clarifies how this process is intended to work. The contract appraisals for the Trustee Council and the landowners' private appraisals are now being submitted for review. It is imperative that we have a mutual understanding of how these procedures are to work in order to have a successful acquisition program. As you know the Trustee Council is having its appraisals conducted by contract through the U.S. Forest Service.

I repeat my previous assurance to you that the appraisal process provides an <u>opportunity</u> for landowners to have their appraisal accepted. Ultimately your appraisal may become the final approved appraisal. It is important to note that under Federal law an offer for acquisition must be based on the final approved appraisal.

If the landowners' initial appraisal fails to conform to the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisition (UASFLA) and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP), the landowner has an opportunity to submit a revised appraisal that conforms to UASFLA and USPAP which will be considered by the lead agency review appraiser in determining which appraisal is to be finally approved. Further, the landowner is afforded an opportunity to submit comments, provide additional information and recommend revisions of any errors or omissions that may be contained in the Trustee Council contract appraisal. Finally, if both appraisals satisfy UASFLA and USPAP, the lead agency review appraiser will determine and justify in writing which appraisal better supports its estimate of value. The landowner will be provided with the written review statement.

As you are no doubt aware, lead agencies are now beginning to receive appraisal reports from the Trustee Council contract appraiser. Those reports are reviewed by the lead agency appraiser in consultation with state and federal review appraisers to ensure compliance with USPAP and UASFLA. The contract appraisal reports will not be released outside the governmental process until this review has been completed and any resulting issues are satisfactorily addressed. Once

the lead agency review appraiser determines that the Trustee Council's contract appraisal report has been satisfactorily completed, it will receive interim approval and will be provided to the landowner for comment. Comments, additional information or suggestions by the landowner regarding errors or omissions in that report are to be submitted to the lead agency. The lead agency review appraiser will analyze those comments and provide them to the Trustee Council's contract appraiser for consideration. The lead agency review appraiser is responsible for ensuring that all comments are considered by the review appraisers prior to a final approval of an appraisal.

A landowners' appraisal will undergo a similar review process. It is submitted to the lead agency that is responsible for review and coordination with the other review appraisers. If the landowners' appraisal report conforms to UASFLA and USPAP, it will be accepted. If the report is not consistent with UASFLA and USPAP, comments will be submitted by the lead agency review appraiser to the landowner or its representative. If such concerns are satisfied and the lead agency's review appraiser, after consultation with the other review appraisers, determines that the landowners appraisal report conforms to UASFLA and USPAP, it will be accepted. If both the landowners' appraisal report and the Trustee Council's contract appraisal satisfy UASFLA and USPAP, the lead agency's review appraiser, in consultation with other reviewers, will determine and justify in writing which appraisal better supports its estimate of value and approve a final report.

Under Federal law, this single approved estimate of value is then used by Federal agencies as the basis of a formal offer to purchase. In the interests of uniformity, the Trustee Council has adopted this same process for all acquisitions. Utilizing two appraisals and approving the single appraisal that better supports the estimate of value is a common practice that is solidly grounded on legal and policy bases. I believe this procedure can work for the EVOS habitat protection process.

I hope this helps in our mutual interests of proceeding with habitat protection through land acquisition. Please, do not hesitate to contact me on this or other matters.

Sincerely,

James R. Ayers Executive Director

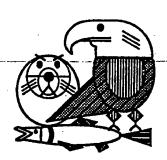
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cc: Mr. William H. Timme, Middleton, Timme & Luke Maria Lisowski, Attorney, Forest Service Barry Roth, Attorney, Department of the Interior Alex Swiderski, Attorney, Department of Law

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June 3, 1994

Mr. Howard Valley Chairman Afognak Joint Ventures P.O. Box 1277 Kodiak, AK 99615

Dear Mr. Valley:

Once again, thank you for the interest in and comments you have provided to me and other members of the EVOS Trustee Council staff regarding the appraisal process to be utilized for habitat acquisition projects. I want to assure you that the comments made were carefully reviewed, and many have been reflected in the process that has now been approved.

This process recognizes the right of sellers or their representatives to review and comment on the appraisal prepared under contract to the government before that appraisal is authorized for use in the Council process. In addition, sellers may, at their option and expense, retain their own appraiser. The governments, through the lead negotiating agency, will work with the private appraisers in such manner as the sellers deem appropriate. This is to insure that the private appraisers have the same information concerning the property as do the governments' appraisers, and that they conduct an appraisal that satisfies the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions (UASFLA) and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP). Such private appraisals will be reviewed by both governments.

If one of the appraisers has considered appropriate information not considered by the other appraiser, this process will allow the review appraiser to make that information available to the second appraiser for consideration. If the review concludes that there is pertinent information that has been overlooked by USFS appraiser then it would be referred to the contract appraiser for consideration. If the private appraisal conforms to UASFLA and USPAP and best supports the estimate of value for the property or interests to be acquired, the private appraisal will be used for the Trustee Council acquisition process.

A copy of the approved process and a description flow chart are enclosed. Should you have any questions about this process, please don't hesitate to provide them to me by letter. On behalf of the Trustee Council, I look forward to working with you in the future on successful habitat acquisition and protection projects.

Sincerely

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Enclosures

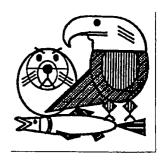
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June 3, 1994

12 STEP PROCESS FOR APPRAISAL/APPRAISAL REVIEW/APPROVAL

- 1. Lead Negotiating Agency advises Landowner that with Landowner Consent, the Trustee Council is prepared to authorize an appraisal. The Landowner is advised that it should provide all information it believe's is important in determining the value of its interests. The Lead Negotiating Agency informs the Landowner that it may, at its option and expense, procure its own market value appraisal but that it must comply with USPAP and UASFLA in order to be considered by the governments. It is preferable that any such appraisal be completed and submitted in the same time frame as that of the Trustee Council contract appraisal to provide for concurrent review.
- 2. Lead Negotiating Agency, through the Executive Director, requests that the Forest Service task the Contract Appraiser to conduct an appraisal of Landowner's interests.
- 3. The Forest Service issues a task order to the Contract Appraiser identifying the scope of work to be conducted. A copy of the standardized appraisal specifications is attached.
- 4. The Contract Appraiser and representatives of the Lead Negotiating Agency hold a Pre-Work Conference with representatives of the Landowner. If applicable, the Landowner's Appraiser should attend the conference. Purposes of the conference are to: (1) discuss the conduct of the appraisal; (2) establish target dates for completion of the Contract Appraisal and any Landowner Appraisal; and (3) establish an appropriate procedure for the Landowner to provide to the Contract Appraiser all information it believes is important or relevant to determing the value of its property.
- 5. A site visit of the subject property by the Contract Appraiser is conducted. Representatives from the Lead Negotiating Agency, the Landowner and Landowner Appraiser are encouraged to attend and provide further pertinent information.
- 6. The Contract and Landowner Appraisers (if a landowner appraisal is expected to be prepared) submit Draft Appraisal Reports, which the

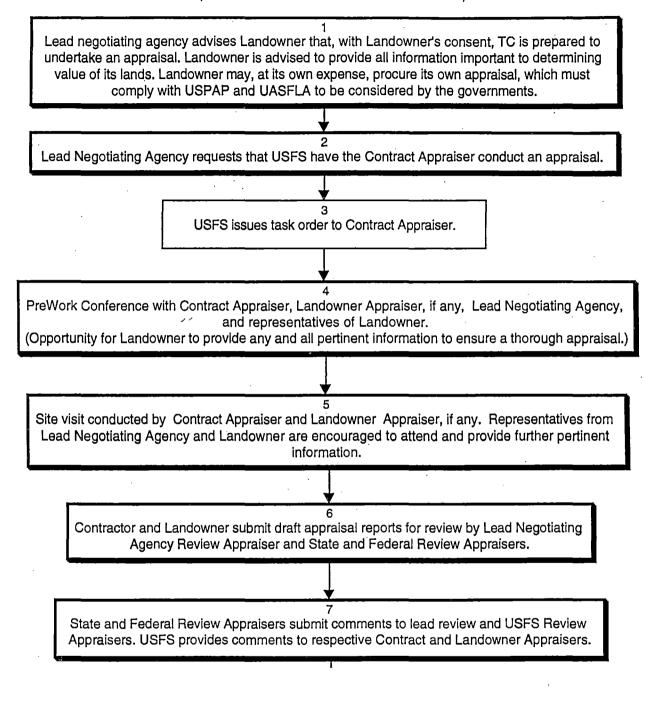
Forest Service distributes to the Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser and the State and Federal Review Appraisers for review and comment (Landowner Appraisal Report is reviewed by Landowner prior to submission). The Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser and State and Federal Review Appraisers review the draft Appraisals .

- 7. State and Federal Review Appraisers submit comments to Lead Review Appraiser and Forest Service Contract Officer. The Forest Service then provides comments to the respective Contract and Landowner Appraisers (Landowner is copied with comments regarding the Landowner Appraisal).
- 8. The Contract and Landowner Appraisers consider review comments received and modify their respective Draft Appraisal Reports where considered appropriate. The Contract and Landowner Appraisers submit final Appraisal Reports to the Forest Service, which then distributes them to the Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser and the State and Federal Review Appraisers. The review appraisers cannot modify the Contract or Landowner Appraisers value determinations, but can request further documentation and clarification as they determine. It is possible that this review process may be repeated.
- 9. State and Federal Review Appraisers submit comments to the Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser who issues a Review Statement, designating an approved Appraisal or rejecting both Appraisals.
- 10. The Lead Negotiating Agency submits the Approved Appraisal Report and Review Statement (or the Review Statement for the rejected Appraisal's) to the Landowner for review and the opportunity to comment.
- 11. Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser receives and transmits Landowner's comments concerning the Approved Appraisal Report and Review Statement to the Appraiser and State and Federal Review Appraisers for consideration.
- 12 Once all appropriate modifications are made, the Lead Negotiating Agency Review Appraiser specifies the Final Approved Appraisal and issues a Final Review Statement.

Appraisal Process

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(Shadowed boxes indicate landowner involvement)



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April 28, 1994

Mr. Howard Valley Chairman Afognak Joint Ventures P.O. Box 1277 Kodiak, AK 99615

Dear Mr. Valley:

I am pleased to enclose for your information a copy of the finalized standard appraisal instructions. The realty officials of the land acquiring agencies of both governments have carefully reviewed and considered the comments from yourself and representatives of other interested landowners. We have incorporated those suggestions that were appropriate. This lengthy process has been undertaken in order to underscore our intention that the appraisal process be fair. Fairness is, of course, an objective for not only the sellers, but also the public for whose benefit such acquisitions are to be made. It is important to note that these are public funds. Therefore, we are responsible for maintaining the highest of standards in protection of the Public trust.

The instructions are intended to establish fair market value consistent with the requirements of Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisition (UASFLA), Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) and federal and state law. They are drawn largely verbatim from UASFLA and USPAP. They are substantively identical to instructions used by the United States in literally thousands of willing seller transactions over at least the last fifteen years.

I am also pleased to advise you that the preliminary negotiations phase has been completed with respect to a number of parcels. An appraisal of the lands and interests in lands at Chenega is already well under way. I have also authorized negotiators to undertake appraisals for lands and interests in land held by the Kodiak Island Borough on Shuyak Island and by Port Graham in the Kenai Fjords National Park. In order to move the restoration program forward in a comprehensive and timely manner, it is my hope that preliminary negotiations for other parcels will be completed shortly and that, with the concurrence of sellers, we will be able to commence additional appraisals.

I fully recognize the concern raised that the appraisal process be fair. Some of the sellers have asked whether the Trustee Council would consider a second appraisal conducted by sellers. I would like to assure you that the appraisal process will provide opportunities for sellers desiring

to obtain at their expense, appraisals conforming to UASFLA and USPAP, and to have such appraisals considered in a meaningful manner as part of the governmental review process. Sellers will also be given the opportunity to comment on the conformity of the governments' contract appraisal and the review statement to the requirements of these same appraisal standards.

On behalf of the Trustee Council and myself, your participation in this process has been most appreciated.

Sincerely,

James R. Ayers
Executive Director

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Enclosures: Finalized standardized instructions

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<u>Trustee Council offers to protect</u> habitat on Afognak Island

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council voted today to offer \$70.5 million to protect prime old growth forest, estuaries, and salmon streams on northern Afognak Island. The Council authorized an offer to purchase 41,750 acres from Afognak Joint Venture, a partnership of several Native corporations with interests on Afognak Island.

The offer was made after negotiators reached a tentative agreement last week. Negotiations have been going on for more than three years, complicated by the high value of timber on the property. The Trustee Council originally earmarked funds for this protection package when it established its restoration plan in 1994.

"This area is extraordinary, in terms of its resource values, its natural beauty and recreation potential," said Molly McCammon, executive director of the Trustee Council.

"The agreement is fair and will provide both long term conservation of Afognak Island's outstanding natural resources for the public and a secure future for our partners," said Howard Valley, chairman of the Afognak Joint Venture board. "Determining the proper value for a sale of assests of this magnitude and complexity is not easy. Our discussions have been long, frank and at times difficult."

In a survey of available land in the spill region, from eastern Prince William Sound to the Alaska Peninsula, the habitat on northern Afognak Island ranked as the most valuable for restoration of species injured in the 1989 oil spill. Lands included in the offer are adjacent to Afognak Island State Park and the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and are across the strait from Shuyak Island State Park. Numerous species injured by the oil

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spill use the area for nesting, feeding, molting and wintering. Tidal, subtidal and upland areas are important for pink salmon, black oystercatchers, harbor seals, harlequin ducks, bald eagles, marbled murrelets, pigeon guillemots, sea otters, and river otters.

Governor Tony Knowles endorsed the package calling Afognak Island "one of Alaska's treasures."

"This agreement protects the highest value fish and wildlife habitat in the spill region and at the same time maintains traditional subsistence activities," Knowles said. "I appreciate the many hours of hard work by both the trustee staff and Afognak Joint Venture. The lengthy negotiations it took to reach this agreement have resulted in a fair settlement that is beneficial for all Alaskans."

The AJV Board of Directors will meet April 16 to vote on whether to accept the offer. "The sale of these assets will allow the AJV to maintain timber harvest operations on its remaining land as well as provide its partners with income with which to diversify their operation through investments," Valley said. "In addition, AJV will explore opportunities for low-density recreation and ecotourism on its remaining lands adjacent to Afognak State Park and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. In this way we plan to provide a long-term financial base for our partners, our communities and future generations."

The value of the timber was too high to be able to protect the entire area, McCammon, said. "The package provides a management plan that protects the resources while allowing some limited timber harvest," McCammon said. "State and federal biologists and forestry experts have worked with AJV to ensure that large tracts of the highest value habitat are protected."

The popular Paul's and Laura Lakes will have large buffer zones between them and any timber activity, she said.

It's expected that about 6,200 acres will be managed as part of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and the remaining 35,500 acres will likely become part of Afognak Island State Park. The state park was created in 1994 under Gov. Wally Hickel as part of one of the first habitat protection packages made possible by the *Exxon Valdez* civil settlement.

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Contact: Molly McCammon 278-8012

Alex Swiderski 269-5274

Exxon trustees will decide on Afognak purchase today

By SUE JEFFREY Mirror Writer

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council is close to making a deal to purchase about 40.000 acres on Afognak Island.

The trustee council will take action on the deal this afternoon. AJV will present the agreement to its board of directors for final approval April 16. The Afognak Joint Venture executive committee reached an agreement with trustee council negotiators earlier this week to sell lands, timber and an easement on the north end of Afognak Island.

"We've always been thought at acreage on northern Afognak Island, somewhere between 38,000 and 40,000 acres, basically as much as we could buy with the \$70 million that the trustee council has earmarked for this acquisition," said Molly McCammon, EVOS Trustee Council executive director.

Preliminary talks included land in the Pauls and Laura Lake systems, Blue Fox and Red Fox Bays and a parcel on the west side of Tonki Bay which would connect the Tonki Peninsula portion of the state park with the Seal Bay portion.

But Howard Valley, AJV chief operating officer, would not discuss the location or amount of land being sold or the price tag. He confirmed, though, that the agreement allows AJV to continue logging acreage not included in the sale.

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Afognak Island is 700 square miles and around 2,000 feet above sea level at its highest elevation. Most of the land is private Native claim land. About 50,000 acres in the northwestern corner from Foul Bay to Blue Fox Bay and including Ban Island, belong to the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge.

Another 45,000 acres, includ-

ing most of the Tonki Peninsula and lands adjacent to Seal Bay, comprise Afognak Island State Park.

If the deal goes through and the Legislature transfers the land to the state as the Trustee Council hopes, the new purchase would become part of the state park.

The sale will be the largest amount the trustees have spent on land acquisition, McCammon said. If approved, AJV will distribute to its partners — Koniag, Inc., Afogak Native, Uyak Natives Inc., Ayakulik Inc., Anjorgang Large Like Frats Natives. Inc. and Litnik Inc.

The AJV executive committee and negotiators for the trustee council reached an agreement hours before the timber appraisal period ended. If a deal had not been struck before the deadline, the sale would have required another long, timber appraisal process.

"Determining the proper value for a sale of assets of this magnitude and complexity is not easy," Valley said. "AJV has worked actively with the Trustees for more than three years to determine both an appropriate package of lands and a fair value for the assets.

"The EVOS negotiators have been diligent and our discussions have been long, frank, and at times difficult ... we believe the agreement we have reached ... will provide both long term conservation of Afognak Island's outstanding natural resources for the public and a secure future for our partners."

McCammon said the Afognak purchase will greatly enhance restoration in the spill area.

"This is anticipated to be ... an addition to the Afognak Island State Park," she said. 'They're prime habitat for marbled murrelet, pigeon guillemot ... salmon."

The EVOS Trustee Council manages a \$900 million settlement paid by Exxon following the Prince William Sound oil spill in 1989. The largest oil spill in the U.S., the Exxon Valdez oil tanker dumped 11 million gallons of crude which spread from Prince William Sound through the Kodiak Island Archipelago to Chignik, south of Kodiak Island on the Alaska Peninsula.

EVOS considers purchase

ANCHORAGE (AP) — The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees Council is on the verge of what could be its most expensive land purchase, a \$70 million deal for up to 40,000 acres on Afognak Island.

The council apparently reached a conceptual agreement Friday with the landowners, the Alaska Public Radio Network reported Monday.

Council Executive Director Molly McCammon said the spill council may meet Thursday to take action on the deal.

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McCammon said.

The landowner, Afognak Joint Ventures, and the trustee council must give final approval to the purchase agreement.

McCammon said the Afognak land would greatly enhance restoration in that part of the spill area.

"This is anticipated to be a state acquisition. These would be additions to the Afognak Island State Park," she said. "They're lands that are prime habitat for marbled murrelet, pigeon guillemot, pink salmon, sockeye salmon," she said.

Trustees manage a \$900 million settlement paid by Exxon following the Prince William Sound oil spill in 1989, which dumped 11 million gallons of crude into the water.

Exxon trustees offer \$70 million to buy Afognak Island land

KODIAK DAILY MIRROR APRIL 3, 1998

By SUE JEFFREY

Mirror Writer

The Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Trustee Council Thursday offered Afognak Joint Venture \$70.5 million for 41,750 acres on the north end of Afognak Island.

The proposal now goes to AJV's board of directors April 16. The trustee council already has made other purchases in the region — \$40 million for the 42,000-acre Seal Bay parcel and \$36 million for 26,000 acres on Shuyak Island. If accepted, this will be the trustees' most expensive purchase.

But the big price tag does not seem out of line when considering the value the trustees placed on the land, primarily old growth spruce. Before purchasing the wildlife habitat, the trustee council conducted an extensive survey of available parcels in the spill area. From Prince William Sound to the Kodiak Archipelago and Alaska Peninsula, the north end of Afognak Island ranked highest in terms of restoration of species injured in the 1989 oil spill.

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will have large buffer zones between them and any timber activity, she added.

Howard Valley, chief operating officer of AJV — a partnership of Koniag, Inc., Afognak Natives, Uyak Natives Inc., Ayakulik Inc., Anton Larsen Inc., Bell's Flats Natives Inc. and Litnik Inc. — agreed the deal is a fair one.

"The agreement ... will provide both long term conservation of Afognak Island's outstanding natural resources ... and a secure future for our partners," he said. "Negotiations the last two months ... have been difficult but they worked out."

The 41,750 acres are adjacent to Afognak Island State Park, the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and on Shuyak Strait across from Shuyak Island State Park.

The purchase includes 300 acres of timber rights on Delphin and Discoverer Islands in Perenosa Bay. The trustee council also negotiated an agreement which requires AJV to leave a 200-foot buffer around Pauls and Laura Lakes. Under terms of the agreement, AJV could build up to two lodges and an unspecified number of cabins in the buffer zone. But AJV would need to maintain a 200-foot buffer behind the lodge if it built on the lakefront.

Before voting, the trustee council added two conditions to the agreement. First, the council requires AJV to specify any and all logging routes in the area adjacent to the Tonki Cape Peninsula. Secondly, the council wants AJV to be more specific about its plans

for cabins in the buffer zone around Pauls and Laura Lakes.

Greg Petrich, spokesperson for the Alaska Rainforest Campaign who has followed the habitat acquisition process for the past seven years, said he is pleased with the outcome, adding, "All the primary pieces we were hoping to be in there were included ... they (the negotiators) really did an excellent job."

Craig Tillery, chair of the trustee council, also gave a nod to the negotiators.

"I have been watching this process for years," he said, "and amextremely impressed with the trustee council and Alaska Joint Venture negotiators who have helped us put this package together ... sometimes acre by acre to make a reasonable compromise.

Kodiak fisherman Stosh Anderson, who testified in favor of the purchase via teleconference yesterday, agrees the deal is good for the landowners and the public.

"Land acquisition has been a real boon for Kodiak," he commented after the council meeting. "It's provided habitat protection for resource and recovery and funds to provide economic development and stability for village corporations."

Brent Baker, a fisherman who has owned and operated a salmon setnet site in Prince William Sound since 1988, was the only person to dampen the otherwise congratulatory spirit of the day.

His fish camp is located on property which the Chenega Corporation owned until the trustee

council purchased it last summer.

Prior to the sale, Baker had a contract with the Native corporation allowing him to have a cabin and use the land to run his fishing operation. But the state, which now owns the land, has no mechanism to allow him to run his fish camp on state land, he said. Moreover, the state wants to tear down his cabin.

"I'm asking the council to make sure that if there are any pre-existing uses on the land they purchase, that the council makes sure the uses are protected," he said.

"I also am asking the council to help protect and preserve my existing use."

On THE MOVE

Steven Pennoyer of Juneau has been named to a two-year term as a U.S. commissioner of the International Pacific Halibut Commission, according to the White House. Pennoyer is one of three U.S. commissioners on the panel. He is the regional administrator in Alaska for the National Marine Fisheries Service, which manages the largest bottom-fish fishery in United States. The commission's purpose is to manage the halibut stocks in the Pacific Northwest, British Columbia and Alaska waters to achieve maximum sustainable yield from the fishery.

Sundberg is SeaLife executive director

Kim Sundberg's appointment as executive director of the Alaska SeaLife Center is permanent, according to an announcement last week by the Center's board of directors.

Sundberg, a retired habitat biologist with Alaska Department of Fish and Game, was named interim director last November following the resignation of the previous executive director.

Sundberg was Fish and Game's lead representative to the SeaLife Center from December 1993 until his retirement in 1996. During that time he helped to develop and manage the project description, budget and funding for the Center, according to a Sea Life Center press release.

The Seward Association of Marine Science recognized him in 1996 for his commitment to the Center.

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Oil spill trustees approve \$70 million for Afognak

Alaska's oil spill trustees April 2 approved \$70 million to acquire nearly 42,000 acres of old-growth spruce on Afognak Island, by far the council's most expensive purchase.

The pending agreement — which took four years to negotiate — goes next for approval to landowner Afognak Joint Venture, a Kodiak-based Native unit which said it could act as soon as April 16.

Trustees are charged with spending the state's \$900 million settlement from the Exxon Valdez oil spill. The panel said Afognak tracts offer prime habitat for a range of wildlife hurt by the tanker wreck.

If approved, the deal would add tracts to the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and Afognak State Park while permitting the joint venture to log roughly 2,200 acres. Jay Bellinger, manager of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, has been chosen the national refuge manager of the year by the National Audubon Society. Bellinger was instrumental in acquiring additional Kodiak brown bear habitat.

Students, archaeologists rub elbows at old Afognak village

By Jody Seltz

For The Times

Last summer Monica Riedel, executive director of the Alaska Native Harbor Seal Commission, invited me to visit Afognak Island. Twenty children and elders attended the week-long spirit camp there, organized by the Afognak Native Corporation with funds from the criminal settlement of the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

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marine mammals and visited the old village of Afognak.

It seemed like several days rolled into one. First, I visited an excavation site at the Russian artel, a provisioning post from the early 1800s. There, beneath the boughs of large spruce, young and old were intently scraping away layer upon layer of dirt from house pits mapped out by the archaeologists. Cloth, beads, iron, pieces of a stove and shoes were just some of the artifacts they found.

Casey Hoge of Kodiak said that she thoroughly enjoyed the dig. "You get to do stuff that they (the archaeologists) actually do," he said, "And the stuff that you find can be pretty exciting. I found glass and a piece of porcelain or china, it was dated to 1810."

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Visit to Afognak Island means close encounters with past

Editor's note: It has been eight years since the Exxon Valdez ran aground in Prince William Sound, spilling nearly 11 millions gallons of Alaska crude oil. Time has since told quite a lot about the spill's long-term effects. To help tell the story, the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council is providing this column focusing on the ongoing recovery within the spill region.

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Conservation groups coming to look over more land acquisitions

By NELL WAAGE PARKER Mirror Writer

Several conservation heavyweights will spend next week on Kodiak and Afognak Islands.

Representatives of nationally and internationally known conservation groups will attend the Kodiak Archipelago Conservation Summit Aug. 12-17.

"They are coming to evaluate habitat conservation opportunities and to submit their recommendations to the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, the U.S. Gongress, President Bill Clinton and Alaska Gov. Tony Knowles," said Tim Richardson, executive director of the Kodiak Brown Bear Trust.

The Kodiak Brown Bear Trust is sponsoring the week-long visit, along with the Afognak Native Corporation and Koniag, Inc.

The sponsors hope the visitors will support acquiring additional Native lands for the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, as they have done in the past for previous acquisitions.

To be considered are 56,000 acres in the Karluk and Sturgeon river drainages and 140,000 acres along the northern and western coast of Afognak Island. These areas, Richardson said, have "enormously important resource values." Both parcels scored at the top of the Exxon Valdez priority list, he said.

Represented at the summit will be the Wildlife Management Institute, Safari Club International, the National Rifle Association, the Izaak Walton League of America, the Audubon Society, the Oregon Hunters Association, the N.Y. Sportsmen Conservation Council, the International Bear Research and Management Association and Wildlife Forever.

Also here will be John Rogers, acting director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, an aide to Sen. Frank Murkowski and an aide to Don Young, who will represent the House Resources Committee.

John Merrick of Koniag, Inc., Ole Olsen of the Afognak Native Corporation, Jay Bellinger of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, Vie Barnes of the National Biological Service, Larry Malloy of the Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association and Gary Muelenhardt of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Realty will also attend.

Richardson said the Kodiak Brown Bear Trust and its allies, including the groups attending the summit, have already been successful in re-acquisition for the refuge and state park system of 278,890 acres. The cost of \$169.7 million has largely come from the Exxon Valdez oil spill settlement.

The tour will begin Monday with the Afognak properties, move on to Shuyak Island and Karluk Lake and continue to Old Harbor for a tour of land already retained and protected, including small parcel acquisitions.

A business meeting will be held Saturday, during which a recommendation is to be adopted and formalized.

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Guest opinion

By Stosh Anderson

Afognak timberlands offer more than just wood products

Afognak Island is a special place. A one of a kind resource which if treated with respect can supply fish, game, and an abundance of opportunity for fishermen, recreationists and small businesses in Kodiak. As a community we should take a hard look at the resource issues on Afognak and give some thought to what kind of a place it's going to be in ten, fifteen and even thirty years from now. Afognak's timber lands are being depleted at a rapid pace and this raises scrious questions about an industry which will depart town in short order and leave Kodiak with a once valuable resource in a much altered and diminished state.

Afognak's forests provide many benefits in addition to wood fiber production for a foreign market. Hunters, fishermen, and recreationists all have an interest in the conservation and maintenance of watersheds and important wildlife habitat. Altering key fish and wildlife habitat through large scale clearcut logging operations can have both short and long term effects. Game management is a particularly difficult prospect when hundreds of miles of logging roads lace the island and allow easy access to sensitive areas. Habitat loss is a significant consideration of Afognak Island given the rate of depletion of prime forest areas. Elk and deer depend on forest cover during hard winters when heavy snow buries open fields and limits access to forage. The forest areas intercept a good portion of the snow making travel and feeding a less energy consuming proposition. Conserving energy is the key to over wintering survival for game, and as you reduce the amount of protective area for a given population of elk or deer chance of survival is reduced. Losing excessive amounts of wintering habitat is not a healthy situation for hunters who expect a consistently reliable supply of game. The minimal buffer zones adjacent to our salmon streams do not provide adequate protection for water quality, excessive run off and low water in dry periods.

Whatever your reason or interest in seeing that the natural resources and landscape of Afognak are maintained, now is the time to take a hard look at habitat. Management strategies for timber cutting on Afognak show little sign of changing anytime in the near future so it's likely that many important wildlife areas will be further impacted by clearcutting.

One of the more promising alternatives to the large scale logging of Afognak are the wildlife funds that have recently become available through a civil settlement over the Exxon Valdez Oil spill. Many private landowners have approached the Trustees who manage this settlement with proposals to protect habitat areas for the public interest. Several have completed major deals with them. The corporations selling their land and timber have the opportunity of deriving substantial income for reinvestment for the corporation and continued income for its shareholders while preserving the pristine land for future use and enjoyment. Right now, the Trustees are involved in intensive negotiations to try and safeguard key areas on Northern Afognak. Areas like Waterfall, Pauls and Lauras Lake are prime for Trustee acquisition.

You can encourage the Trustee Council to protect Afognak fish and wildlife habitat at their December 2 meeting by dropping them a letter (fax it if you can), or a short phone message.

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

HM. Jim Ayers 276-7178

Incomplete appraisal may delay Afognak wildlife habitat purchase

By GLORIA CANTENS Mirror Writer

The chairman of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council says a complicated appraisal will delay the purchase of prime wildlife habitat on north Afognak Island.

"We will not have an appraisal completed by Dec. 2," said Jim Ayers, Trustee Council chairman. "But we do hope to have a proposal contingent on an appraisal."

The Alaska Rainforest Campaign had hoped an appraisal of the Pauls and Lauras Lakes area would be ready for the meeting, fearing that a change in administration could mean a change in council membership.

"This meeting (Dec. 2) may be the last time the trustees who are there now will be able to influence the situation in time," Greg Petrich, the group's activist coordinator, said Friday.

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The group feared any delays in acquiring the parcels could give logging interests enough time to log or commit the area, which represents 13,400 acres.

This morning, Petrich said even a proposal contingent on a future appraisal is progress.

"That's what they did with Seal Bay," he said. "That worked out well and the deal was closed some time later.

"It all depends on the quality of

the work and the information put before the council."

The Pauls and Lauras Lakes area is among the most highly rated and ranked in a council study of more than one million acres of habitats for species hit hard by the Valdez spill.

Areas with critical connections to affected species could then be protected to stop further decline in their numbers.

But a neighboring parcel, Delphin Point, recently was logged despite a significant population of Marbled Murrelet, a forest-nesting bird whose numbers declined after the spill. Petrich said the Pauls and Lauras Lakes area, along with Seal Bay State Park, are important wintering grounds for deer and elk.

"The snow cover there isn't as deep and they're able to forage," he said. "These grounds are what keep game alive during tough winters."

Stosh Anderson, fisherman and long-time Kodiak resident, said buffer areas aren't enough.

"These areas fill up with snow and prevent game from migrating to find food and cover," he said. "It's important to maintain continuity of habitat."

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Afognak forest could be spared

By GLORIA CANTENS Mirror Writer

A coalition of eight conservation groups is seeking help to save prime wildlife habitat on Afognak Island from the chainsaw.

Members are trying to convince the Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council to purchase lands on the northern part of the island by Dec. 2, in case a change of administration means a change in council membership.

"This meeting (Dec. 2) may be the last time the trustees who are there now will be able to influence the situation in time," said Greg Petrich, activist coordinator for the Alaska Rainforest Campaign.

The group said any delays in acquiring the parcels could give logging interests enough time to log or commit the area of greatest concern, Pauls and Lauras Lakes, which represents 13,400 acres.

"The earliest warning we have is when they file a 30-day plan," said Petrich. "By that time, they've usually got a contract."

Delays in the appraisal process are holding up the council's decision on the parcel.

James Carmichael, general manager of Afognak Joint Ventures, the major landholder on the island, said an appraisal is under way for Shuyak Straits, but he doesn't know when one will be available for the Pauls and Lauras Lakes area.

"But we're certainly interested in a proposal (to purchase the parcel)," he said.

The council commissioned a study of habitats for species hit hard by the Valdez spill in an effort to stop further decline in their numbers.

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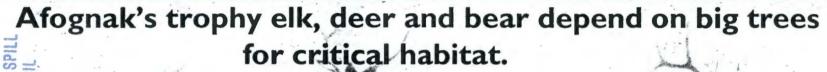
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Petrich believes hunters have a stake in protecting these areas as well. Logging and intrusion into sensitive areas have reduced game numbers there.

Anyone concerned over the fate of these areas can contact:

Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council 645 G Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501 (800) 478-7745 (907) 276-7178 (fax)

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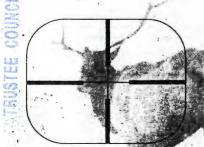
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Afognak's trophy elk, deer and bear depend on big trees for critical habitat.



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Unless the Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council — managing a multi-million dollar fund to protect fish and wildlife in the oil spill zone — can buy the forest from AJV and save Afognak hunting. They have already ranked part of North Afognak as the very best wildlife habitat in the entire study area!

Here's why:

- North Afognak supports two-thirds of all the island's Roosevelt elk
- North Afognak supports rich coho and sockeye fisheries, an investment carefully managed and enhanced since before statehood.
- North Afognak supports 51 seabird colonies and thousands of marbled murrelets
- Afognak Island attracts as many as 600 hunters a year

THIS IS HOW YOU CAN HELP

Contact the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council and ask them to buy all of North Afognak to safeguard hunting and wildlife:

Jim Ayers, Executive Director
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Contact landowner Afognak Joint Venture and ask them to conserve their forest by selling to the Trustees:

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Wilpur wild places dwind as our population gros?

One day last summer I drove to the river to fish for silvers, but since none were showing I watched people instead. They were widely scattered here and there along the bank, except a small group directly across the river from me.

Five older gentlemen were standing almost shoulder to shoulder, so close I wondered how they managed to cast. Even though they were all wearing hip boots, they stood at least five feet back from the water. In the background a younger man hovered restlessly between them and a white van.

As I watched one of the men jerked sharply on his rod and began to fight a fish. Before he could land it, another also hooked up. It didn't take long to realize that both fish were dark humpies, and both were snagged.

Neither individual made any effort to walk to the water's edge to release his fish, but dragged it, flopping and bouncing, across the rocks to their feet. I was startled when each, in turn, stomped on his fish to subdue it. I was outraged when the young man joined them and helped them remove the hooks and kick the fish hard enough to land back in the river.

Over the next 20 minutes, as long as I could stand to watch, they must have maimed at least ten fish. It was almost as if they were punishing the fish for allowing themselves to be snagged.

Certainly there are regulations that should have prevented such abuse and waste of fish. I reacted like anyone else to the sorry spectacle: I went looking for a Fish & Wildlife Protection officer.

Abuse of our wild resources is becoming sadly common, but passing more laws won't do any good if we don't provide more officers Outdoor Kodiak

By Hank Pennington

to enforce them. Whether we like it or not, as the number of people goes up, so will the cost of protecting and managing our resources.

So far our people problems are small, however, when you consider some of the other Western states. One of my favorite Montana rivers is renowned worldwide for its rich insect hatches, large brown trout, and wild scenery. As recently as three years ago you could fish almost anywhere on the private land along it.

Today much of the land has been subdivided into 5- to 20-acre "ranchettes," and with the flood of new homes has come a blizzard of NO TRESPASSING signs. If you want to fish that particular river today you had better have a seat in a drift boat, and heaven help you if you need to go ashore for any reason.

The bad news in this pattern of events is this: Within our lifetimes the world population is expected to double. I suspect that we will see more than a doubling of the people using our wild places.

As the population goes up, the acreage of undeveloped (and unposted) private land will continue declining. Where will everyone go for outdoor recreation? Public lands, of course.

I am excited by the recent acquisition of 237,000 acres of land and conservation easements on the

south end of Kodiak for the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. The corporations that owned those lands were in the awful economic dilemma of being forced to develop the land to generate revenue and pay taxes, even as their shareholders and the rest of us valued the land undeveloped and preserved in a wild state for future generations. With the income for the sale they can fulfill their economic responsibilities to shareholders, even as the land continues as an unspoiled heritage for future generations.

Over the long term undeveloped land will certainly be worth more and more as the growing population finds fewer and fewer places open to the public. The pressure on resources like our fish and game will be incredible, and it will become harder and harder to protect their habitat. True wilderness experiences will become rare and pre-

cious as people flood the dwindling wild places.

An important part of acquiring those lands will be planning how they should be used. We may not be facing such development as in Montana, but at some point we have to ask the question: "Is there such a thing as too many people in a refuge?"

Think about the bus loads of anglers on the road system before you answer that question. In the refuge it could be flocks of float planes and subdivisions of tents.

How many guides should have exclusive rights to any area? One? Two? Thirty? Unlimited access? I'll guarantee that if you have spent lots of money to reach a wilderness, there is certainly a point at which the number of people makes you reconsider your investment.

It is my sincere hope that we can find the way to preserve and protect our undeveloped lands and resources, even as we keep them open to a wide variety of uses. Due to economic pressures, it's certain they won't stay undeveloped in private hands, and private lands won't stay open to the public for long.

Sadly enough, placing the lands on the south end of Kodiak in public hands is no guarantee that the resources will be managed in a way that we would like. It's going to take active and well informed participation in the public hearings, advisory committees, and development of management plans. It's also going to take money.

Last year some of the money from the Exxon Valdez oil spill court settlement were used by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees to buy lands on northern Afognak Island to become Afognak State Park, largely due to public support from Kodiak.

On Nov. 3 the Trustees also made an offer to the corporate land owners to buy an additional 60,000 acres on Afognak outright for public use, as well as a conservation easement on another 56,000 acres. On Dec. 2 the Trustees will meet again, and it will be important that they hear once again that their decision is important.

The proposed purchase has resulted in a debate between traditional pro-development and preservation camps about the effects of logging on wildlife and habitat. Each side can make a convincing case for their viewpoint, but for me there is an even larger issue at stake.

The current landowners will be forced by economics and taxes to develop the land over the short

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term, even as we are faced over the long term with more and more people and less and less undeveloped land. What is that land going to be worth to all of us 20 years from now? How about 50 years from now?

The money from the oil spill isn't going to hang around forever, and years from now it will certainly cost

a lot more to buy the land. For outdoor recreation and the overall economy of Kodiak, the long term value of undeveloped land in public hands extends far beyond the short term income it can generate if developed.

Outdoor enthusiasts of all persuasions face difficult choices now and in the future. I urge you to take an interest in the long term views for our resources and recreation, and to become active in their management. Your views about the proposed Afognak land purchase, pro or con, are important to the Trustee Council (Exxon Valdez Settlement Trustee Council, 625 "G" Street, Anchorage, AK, 99501. Phone: 800-478-7745. Fax: 276-7178).

I know that it's a lot of work to study the issues and develop informed viewpoints. It's even worse to sit through a lot of meetings. Even so, the decisions about acquisition and management of public lands are being made right now, and they will affect us into the distant future.

The debate about gun control was driven by people in big cities faced with gun battles in their streets. Those streets are a long ways from Kodiak, but just try to buy a short barreled, high capacity, folding stocked shotgun for reasonable use on Kodiak far from those war zones.

What kind of decisions are those distant city dwellers going to make 20 years from now when public lands are overcrowded and fish and wild-life resources are threatened? Look at access to private lands and the management of public lands and fish and wildlife resources near those cities, and you can make an informed guess.

It's time for all of us to get busy, learn as much as we can, and become active in the future of our resources.



Oil Spill Habitat Acquisition: Step Up The Pace
By Sam McDowell

When the United States purchased Alaska in 1867, it took fewer than seven months for Congress to approve the agreement Secretary of State William H. Seward had signed with Russia.

The speed with which Seward and Congress acted provides a timely lesson for government officials who are entering the third year of buying land in Alaska to offset fish and wildlife damages caused by the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill. The threats to completing the five to eight transactions still on the table are likely to multiple two- or three-fold if these purchases are not concluded by the end of the year.

Four serious obstacles already threaten the pending deals:

First, membership within the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee

Council could change following the 1996 elections this fall. This could prove disastrous depending on who is appointed to the council since it must unanimously approve each sale.

The current trustees agree with the public's clear mandate that habitat protection is the best use of Exxon settlement funds. Expediency in completing the land purchases is the best insurance against the chance of new council appointments, should there be changes in elected officials later this year.

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Second, the approximately \$165 million to \$195 million remaining for habitat acquisition never will buy as much land as it can right now. The longer each sale takes, the more likely land prices will rise.

The trustees already face paying a premium for uncut oldgrowth spruce stands on Afognak Island because of the high prices these trees command when logged. Should prices continue to escalate, the government's purchasing power will erode further.

Third, because most of the remaining parcels identified for purchase are forested, pressures mounting on landowners to use their assets will lead to additional timber harvesting. Delays in acquiring these areas -- containing some of the world's last Northern Hemisphere rain forest -- could mean losing the chance to set them aside for long-term, sustainable uses.

Fourth, as anyone ever involved with protracted negotiations knows, fatigue sets in when weeks of discussions turn into months, and months into years. If the remaining transactions are as long and drawn out as the completed deals have_been, the sellers may call it quits and refuse to sell.

Having lived here since Alaska's territorial days -- 1948 to be exact -- I've seen much habitat disappear and many fish and wildlife population levels decline. For instance, the harbor seal population has collapsed throughout the spill region as has the king crab fishery. Biologists report that the only commercial fish species in the spill area not in decline are salmon.

Completing the remaining Exxon Valdez restoration habitat

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purchases is important because of these and other adverse impacts to the oil spill region.

Acquiring coastal rain forest on Afognak Island and obtaining long-term protection for the Karluk River in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge will help ensure the region's bountiful salmon fisheries continue for generations to come.

The other pending sales around Tatilek, Chenega, Eyak and in the Kenai Fjords National Park are equally important opportunities to retain world-class natural resources. We cannot afford to lose them.

Protecting habitat with oil spill restoration funds ensures that Alaskans and all Americans receive a dividend on their investment. The return is paid year after year through such industries and activities as commercial fishing, tourism and personal use hunting and fishing. It also means restoration funds will continue to work in Alaska through the shareholder trusts established by the native corporations whose lands are purchased.

Last fall, the trustee council closed two more purchases involving Shuyak Island and the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. The trustees and landowners involved with these sales, as well as five others that preceded them, are to be congratulated. As a result, some 361,000 acres of habitat have been protected in perpetuity or by conservation easement.

Now the Exxon Valdez Trustee Council and landowners need to continue to do everything they can to ensure that the pending

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acquisitions, which involve hundreds of thousands of additional
acres, are completed by the end of 1996.

When putting together a real estate deal, time is of the essence. This maxim applies just as much to public land sales as it does to commercial or residential real estate transactions.

Neither the buyers nor the sellers can afford delays. The time has come to finish the appraisals, sit down at the table, and negotiate the best deals possible. To do otherwise only cuts short this unique opportunity to turn the nation's worst oil spill into a lasting conservation legacy.

Sam McDowell is a director-at-large with the Izaak Walton
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RMEF participates in plans for Exxon Valdez settlement

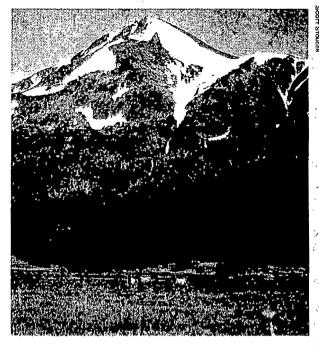
Eight years after the Exxon Valdez oil spill. state and federal trustees charged with spending the \$1 billion settlement are creating a stunning legacy of habitat protection. Already they've protected more than a half million acres of outstanding fish and wildlife habitat from Prince William Sound to Kodiak Island using funds from the largest environmental fine in U.S. history.

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation is keenly interested in the next phase of land protection involving tens of thousands of acres on Afognak Island in the Kodiak Archipelago. A healthy and growing herd of about 1,365 Roosevelt's elk roams Afognak.

Negotiations between

the Exxon Valdez trustees and Native Corporation landowners will enter a key phase this fall. RMEF Special Projects Manager Ron Marcoux visited Afognak in May 1997 on behalf of the RMEF, urging both sides to "think big" when sizing up the final Afognak deal. Plans to protect key habitats on the island could involve both acquisitions and conservation easements.

"Unique opportunities to completely protect the home ranges of several elk herds are available on Afognak now," Marcoux said. "The Exxon Valdez trustees and the landowners can do the best job for wildlife and the public by reaching the largest possible habitat protection agreement. The right mixture probably includes fee



THE RUGGED MOUNTAINS AND LUXURIANT MEADOWS of Alaska's Afognak Island support diverse wildlife. Several groups are now working to protect the island's wild country and wildlife with funds from the Exxon Valdez settlement.

acquisitions and conservation easements incorporating forested areas, meadows and riparian habitat."

Virginia study explores potential for restoring elk to the state

Meriwether Lewis, William Clark and Booker T. Washington are a few of Virginia's notable natives from the nineteenth century. Although not as prominent, but significantly more numerous, are the herds of North American elk that roamed the hills of the Old Dominion until 1855.

Nearly a century and a half later, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation has partnered with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) and Virginia Polytechnic Institute to study the feasibility of

restoring the once-native species to suitable land-scapes in Virginia.

The \$85,000 two-year study will determine the social, biological and economic effects of restoring elk to habitats they once occupied. Upon completion of the feasibility study, the Virginia DGIF will evaluate the results to decide whether an elk reintroduction is advisable. If so, they will develop a plan for starting andmanaging the new elk herd.

"Many individuals, groups and organizations in the state need to have input, and we feel strongly that this feasibility study is the best way to bring all the players to the table to assess the benefits and concerns associated with elk reintroduction," said Bob Duncan, Wildlife Division director for the

Virginia DGIF.

In the mid-1800s, dwindling habitat and unrestricted hunting throughout the East caused extinction of the native Eastern elk subspecies. Between 1917 and 1960, several small herds of Rocky Mountain elk from Yellowstone National Park were relocated to Virginia without lasting success. The last known elk vanished from the state in August 1970.

Between Oct. 1, 1997, and Sept. 30, 1999, Virginia Tech researchers will assess a variety of social and economic impacts of reintroducing elk into Virginia including the positions and attitudes of groups most likely to be affected, possible economic opportunities stemming from the presence of elk, and costs of reestablishing an elk herd in Virginia.

To evaluate the ability of elk to sustain themselves in the future, the study will describe habitat needs and life history requirements for reestablishing elk in the mid-Atlantic states; appraise habitat suitability in Virginia using Geographic Information System data; identify ecological factors that might prevent successful establishment or limit growth of an elk population; assess potential effects of elk on native plants and animals; and, evaluate possibilities of disease transmission to domestic livestock and other wildlife in Virginia.

During the two-year study, the RMEF will work closely with its five Virginia chapters and private contributors throughout the state to raise the funds necessary for the study's completion.

—Ryan Lutey



Sportsmen Show Their Support At Annual Banquet And Auction

The Eighth Annual Banquet and Auction, held September 24, was a rousing success. More than 500 hunters, anglers, and outdoor enthusiasts from across the country gathered to honor the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus. In attendance to show their commitment to the sporting tradition of hunting and fishing were nearly 100 Members of Congress.

David Rockland, CSF Chairman, opened the dinner by stating, "Tonight we honor and celebrate the work of a very special group of people — the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus. These 250 Members of Congress stand strong in protecting the rights of America's hunters and anglers, and working for the conservation of our wildlife resources. The Caucus and Foundation stand united as the voice of America's hunters and anglers in the Nation's capitol."

The evening featured a superb game dinner and a lively auction. Guests were challenged to test their skills at the Firearm Training System and were also given a preview of Chevrolet's Ducks Unlimited Special Edition Tahoe. Also on hand to celebrate the event were Redskins Jamie Asher, and Corey Raymer.

"We owe a heartfelt thanks to our Corporate Sponsor Council, Board Members and numerous organizations and individuals whose generous support made it a successful event," noted Tom Sadler,



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CSC Co-Chair, Senator Conrad Burns and Duffy Wall at the CSF Annual Banquet

CSF President. "As a result of their support, this year's event raised more than \$150,000," added Sadler. Proceeds from the event significantly assist the Foundation in implementing its education and communication programs which provide essential information on sportsmen's issues to the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus, outdoor industries, media and conservation organizations.

The International Dolphin Protection Act

By CSC Co-Chairman Rep. Randy Duke Cunningham (R- San Diego, CA)

It's no wonder everybody loves dolphins - sleek, smart, and charismatic personalities to boot. In August, my bill to help protect these amazing mammals and other marine species while revitalizing our domestic tuna fishing industry was signed into law.

The International Dolphin Protection Act protects dolphin populations, strengthens the dolphin-safe label and gives tuna fishermen a better alternative to the cruel fishing practices they now must use to gain the dolphin-safe label on tuna cans. Our current law forces fishermen to use practices that kill large numbers of marine species including, endangered sea turtles, marlin and juvenile tuna. We knew

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hairman's Column



CSF Chairman David Rockland and Tim Richardson of the Kodiak Brown Bear Trust delight in the catch of the day. Editors note: Our Chairman's ego insists his fish is bigger.

August recess — a great time of the year, whether you're a Member of Congress or just a regular "worker-bee" in Washington.

This past August found me in an airplane with Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge manager Jay Ballenger over-flying one of the most spectacular places in the world. Mountain goats adorned the mountaintops; a herd of elk grazed by a pond; and blacktail deer were scattered everywhere. As we crested a ridge and dropped down into a valley, there they were — several Kodiak Brown Bear feeding off a salmon run. Among them, a sow with three cubs of the year trailing behind. WOW!

But the scenery wasn't the only reason this was such a great trip: it was seeing the work of the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation in action. As described in Tim Richardson's article in this issue of The Sportsmen's Voice, our Caucus and Foundation helped get the first funds dedicated to Kodiak land acquisition to make this a complete Refuge. And, we are committed to seeing through the completion of the Refuge in the next few years.

Also in this issue is a report on our September 24 banquet. The success of this event came from many people and organizations, including the Kodiak hunting and fishing trip donated by the Kodiak Native Tourism Association bought at the auction for \$5,250.

We have a great deal to be proud of in the work of the Caucus and Foundation. In this issue, you'll also read about the highlights of what we've accomplished in the first session of this Congress, and what's planned for 1998.



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A View From The Field Tangible Results Seen at Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge

by Tim Richardson

A fact-finding field trip during the August recess provided the opportunity for Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus Member and House Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Livingston (R-LA) to visit several areas in Alaska including the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge.

Livingston, Appropriations Committee Ranking Member David Obey (D-WI) and CSC Member and Appropriations Committee Member Ed Pastor (D-AZ) spent time at the Kodiak refuge's field headquarters on Karluk Lake and in the Native Alaskan village of Old Harbor.

The Kodiak stop provided a first-hand look at one of the largest habitat protection projects in a national wildlife refuge. The giant Kodiak brown bears, abundant wild salmon systems and Alaska's largest year-round population of bald eagles have been beneficiaries of actions by Congress and the six state and federal trustees of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Fund.

Purchases of large tract private native inholdings in the Kodiak uge along with conservation easements on retained private lands have been the federal government's number one acquisition priority in Alaska since the Reagan Administration.

The nearly two million acre refuge was recognized as a unique national treasure by sportsmen in the 1930s and President Franklin D. Roosevelt set aside two-thirds of Kodiak island as a bear refuge in 1941. The rugged Kodiak landscape is comprised of mountains, rivers, bays and dramatic sea coasts that are largely unchanged since the Ice Age.

Since 1995, 275,000 acres of critical fish and wildlife habitat along rivers and coastal areas were acquired for inclusion in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge for the Alaska State Park System on neighboring Afognak Island.

All the areas protected will enable fish and wildlife injured by the oil spill to rebound and repopulate the 1,500 square mile oil spill region which stretches from Prince William Sound to the Alaska Peninsula south of the 5,000 square mile Kodiak Archipelago.

Kodiak's stature as a world class destination for sport hunting and fishing made it a high priority for sportsmen's groups in the kon Valdez restoration process and the public has hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation access rights on the lands protected.



Appropriations Chairman Bob Livingston greets U.S. Fish & Wildlife representative on his arrival to Kodiak Island.

The Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus and Foundation helped direct the first fund dedicated to the Kodiak land purchased by supporting Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) applications.

More Exxon Valdez funds and federal funds will be required to finish the refuge project, but 80% of the large parcels that had been owned by Alaska Native corporations have been bought back and half the critical small parcels are back in public ownership.

Private non-profit conservation groups like the Kodiak Brown Bear Trust, The Conservation Fund, Wildlife Forever, Safari Club International and the National Rifle Association have put their dollars into the mix of Exxon Valdez and federal funds for the land acquisition and conservation easements. A realistic timetable for completing the Kodiak campaign would see the refuge intact and much of Afognak Island protected before the year 2000.

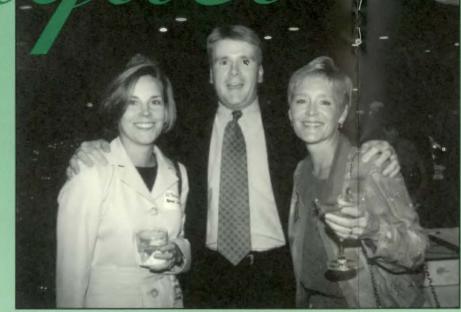
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Art Harris of the Gentleman Hunter (c) with Redskins Jamie Asher (l) and Corey Raymer (r).



Congressman Chris John and his wife, Collen Chapman, Don Young's AA and Chris Cox of the NRA.



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Caucus First Session Highlights and Achievements

Caucus Major Force in Shepherding Passage of Refuge Act

The first major refuge reform in thirty years was passed on September 23 and signed into law on October 9, with major support from the Caucus. Passage of the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act has been a priority of the Caucus for the past two years. Leading the charge were CSC Members, Don Young, John Dingell, James Saxton, John Tanner and Duke Cunningham. Coming together in an unprecedented show of support to work out a compromise for the legislation were Chairman Young, and Senior Democrat George Miller, of the House Resources Committee. "Together we have been successful in crafting a bill that will effectively conserve and manage our fish and wildlife for the future, while allowing millions of Americans to enjoy wildlife dependent recreation within our refuge system," stated Young. In the Senate CSC Members Dirk Kempthorne and Trent Lott were instrumental in securing passage.

The bill requires for the first time that conservation plans be developed for each refuge system. Equally important, it defines hunting, fishing, wildlife conservation, and environmental education, as priorities of the system.

FY98 Interior Appropriations Increase Funding for Refuge System and NAWCA

In keeping with the spirit of the passage of the Refuge Act, appropriators approved an unprecedented increase of nearly \$41 million in funding over FY97 for the National Wildlife Refuge System, for a total of \$221 million for FY98. The Sportsmen's Caucus led the effort and received strong support from the Cooperative Alliance for Refuge Enhancement for the increase. The Caucus was very pleased with the increase of funds, especially given the more than \$500 million backlog of repairs and maintenance needs throughout the 509-refuge unit system.

The Caucus also worked to garner the endorsement of more than 100 House Members to support roughly a \$2 million increase over last year's appropriations of \$10.5 million for the North American Wetlands Conservation Act.

Pittman-Robertson Archery Provision Simplifies Collection of Excise Tax

The Caucus successfully persuaded conferees negotiating differences in the tax bill to adopt a Senate provision that would simplify the way the excise tax is collected for the sale of arrow parts. The provision had the support of the Archery Manufacturers and Merchants Organization, Browning Arms, and many other companies.

CSC Co-Chair Tanner gets \$12 million in Bow and Arrow Receipts Released from the IRS

Caucus Co-Chairman, John Tanner, played a pivotal role in the release of more than \$12 million in bow and arrow excise tax receipts that the Internal Revenue Service had failed to transfer to the Pittman-Robertson Trust Fund, during the second, third, and fourth quarters of this fiscal year. Failure to deposit the excise tax receipts led to a loss of approximately \$750,000 in interest.

Tanner's successful intervention means that the \$12 million in excise tax revenues will now be available to the 50 State Fish and Wildlife Agencies when state apportionments under the Wildlife Restoration Program are made this fall. Further delay would have resulted in the states not receiving the funds until FY99. These excise taxes paid by archers directly support state and wildlife conservation and hunter education.

"The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the States, and millions of Americans who hunt, shoot, or in other ways enjoy this nation's wildlife resources, owe you a dept of gratitude" stated Jamie Rappaport Clark, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Director, in praise of Rep. Tanner.

The Caucus has been assured that the IRS will resume month reporting of bow and arrow excise taxes to the Pittman-Robertsc Trust Fund so they can be invested.

Foundation Approves \$5,000 to Support State Ballot Initiative

At the September Board Meeting, the Board of Directors approved \$5,000 in support of the State Ballot Issues Coalitions. The Coalition is a group of hunting, trapping and wildlife organizations who have joined forces to educate voters about referendums and ballot issues that affect hunting and fishing.

A national coalition of organizations allows the hunting and fishing community to pool professional expertise and become more effective in educating the public on ballot initiatives, giving hunters and anglers the best possible chance for victory in future state ballot campaigns.

"While CSF's mission focuses our work on Congress, the Foundation believes it is paramount to maintain a strong vigil and active presence in protecting the rights of anglers and hunters in every state on local and regional issues, as they are often the breeding ground for federal policy initiatives" stated CSF President, Thomas Sadler.



CSF Expands Staff

Joining the Foundation as Marketing and Communications Manager is Melinda Gable. Melinda comes to CSF with experience in both legislative issues and non-profit development. Earning her Bachelor of Arts degree in environmental sociology at the College of William and Mary, her career experience includes serving as a Legislative Aide on Capitol Hill for three years, and more recently as Director of External Relations for the National Environmental Education and Training Foundation.

Her main role is to expand the Foundation's Communications and program development, as well as increase the awareness of CSF. "Melinda's hands-on work in fundraising, program development and communications, mixed with her experience in the conservation, corporate and government communities made her an ideal choice," said Tom Sadler, CSF President.



Melinda with her 13lb. Tigerfish caught during a safari in Zimbabwe.

An outdoor enthusiast, Melinda spends much of her time in Loudon County, VA fly fishing and wingshooting with her husband Bradley and their German Shorthaired Pointer, Zimbabwe.

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Environment and Public Works Committee

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that was wrong. And we knew we could do better. That's why Rep. Wayne Gilchrest (R-MD) and I introduced our bill.

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to Latin America, to U.S. tuna fishermen and allows them to use new purse seine fishing technology that releases dolphins that swim above tuna schools. This type of fishing has an extremely low rate of incidental fish kills that will better protect our marine ecosystem, unlike current dolphin-safe fishing practices.

Tuna caught with the new purse seine fishing technology can be labeled dolphin safe

only if no dolphin moralities or serious injuries occurred during the catch. Trained international scientific observers will be on each tuna boat to certify the catch is dolphin safe. This means consumers can be confident that when they buy tuna labeled dolphin-safe that it is indeed dolphin safe. And now, consumers will have the additional satisfaction of knowing that other marine life was protected too.

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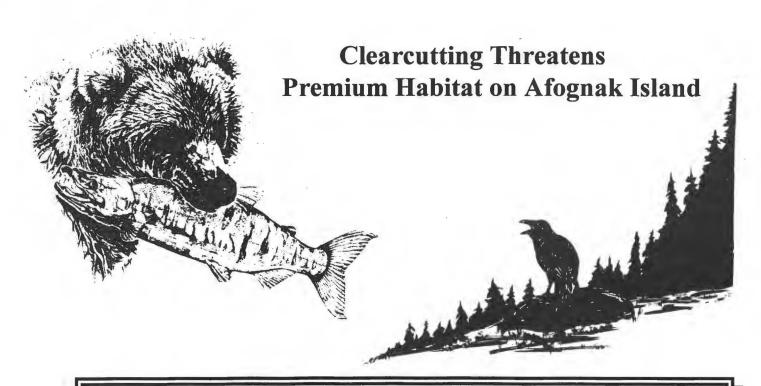
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