

August 29, 1983

Mr. Richard Sims
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Dear Dick:

The Alaska Water Resources Board met in Anchorage on August 11th. The meeting was well attended and all agree that it was a success. Key administrative philosophies were addressed concerning the boards funding and role. The prognosis seems to indicate increased interest and support. We are looking forward to our next meeting, tentatively scheduled for late February or early March in Juneau.

Since we last met as a board, there have been many issues awaiting our review. I'm sure you'll agree that much too long a period of time has transpired as evidenced by the numerous pressing problems we now face.

Among the issues discussed during the meeting was the painful realization that you no longer chair our proceedings. The board unanimously agreed that your many contributions as a member and especially in your capacity as chairman were worthy of special recognition. Therefore, speaking on behalf of the Alaska Water Resources Board, I extend to you the board's gratitude for your excellent leadership, hard work, and the many long hours you gave. Your professional attitude and interest will be sorely missed. We wish you all the happiness and success and look forward to your continued interest in Alaska's Water Resources.

Sincerely,



Dave Vanderbrink
Chairman