



## KETCHIKAN READY-MIX & QUARRY, INC.

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Alaska Senate Transportation Committee  
Alaska House of Representatives Transportation Committee  
Alaska House of Representatives Resource Committee

Honorable Senators and Representatives,

We are writing to provide written comments in response to Senate Bill 211 and House Bill 371 relating to State land and materials. Ketchikan Ready Mix and Quarry Inc. has concerns with the possible transition of DNR management of state land and material sales to DOT control. The material sales part of this bill could adversely affect small businesses such as ours. We have sold aggregate and concrete throughout Southeast Alaska for over forty years.

We have read all of the correspondences posted and feel that our concerns have been addressed several times over in the letters submitted by Chris Milles, Julie Smith and Dick Mylius. There seems to be no definite list of properties that will be affected by the proposed changes available to the public. The idea of an open "free range" selection creates uneasiness. Will private individuals and companies still be able to purchase material through DNR?

There is a need to identify in public the locations prior to this bill going forward as other small businesses such as ours may not even be aware of what is happening and how they may be affected. If this bill is to go through DOT needs to be on record of their willingness to lease to others if they are not using the land. This is essential to sites that are within the State ROW as it is easier for contractors to have access and shorter haul times when trucking to job sites.

Ketchikan Ready Mix has obtained several permits for material sales from DNR over many years and has had the pleasure of a smooth and quick process while working with Ted Deates. We have never been disappointed with the DNR process and received immediate and direct answers to questions or concerns.

Hearing about tougher economic times to come in the State of Alaska why would we want to create an unknown amount of additional costs?

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harold Enright". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue circular stamp.

Harold Enright  
President