

From: JT Shively
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:00 AM
To: Rep. John Lincoln <Rep.John.Lincoln@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for Jason Brune

Dear Rep. Lincoln:

I urge you to support the nomination of Jason Brune for the position of Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). He is an outstanding individual and well qualified to hold that position.

His experience in Alaska includes work in the public, private, and non-profit sectors. That experience has taught him that it is vital for agencies such as DEC to issue permits that meet the laws and regulations of Alaska and are based on sound science. He knows that it is far better for a developer to be issued a permit with stringent mitigation measures that will stand up to litigation than it is to receive a weak permit which is revoked by the courts.

Much of Mr. Brune's opposition comes from groups such as Stand for Salmon, groups which promoted Ballot Measure 1 in the last election - an initiative that would have brought resource development and many other activities in our state to a halt. These groups do not have Alaska's long term economic interests in their policy portfolios.

As a science-based regulatory agency, DEC will greatly benefit from Mr. Brune's technical expertise and work experience.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

John Shively