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January 21, 2025

The Honorable Andy Josephson  
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The Honorable Neal Foster  
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The Honorable Lyman Hoffman  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
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The Honorable Bert Stedman  
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The Honorable Donny Olson  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee  
Alaska State Capitol Room 508  
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Re: FY2025 Legislative Intent Language

Dear Finance Committee Co-Chairs,

Please find below and attached the Department of Natural Resources' response to legislative intent language from House Bill (HB) 268.

**Fire Suppression, Land & Water Resources / Fire Suppression Preparedness**  
Operating/Capital Budget (CCS HB 268 (Corrected))

*It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Fire Protection provide to the Co-Chairs of Finance and the Legislative Finance Division at the conclusion of the calendar year 2024 fire season an estimate of supplemental funding needed for the remainder of FY 2025. At the time of the Governor's FY 2025 supplemental budget submittal, the Department should also provide to the Co-Chairs of Finance and the Legislative Finance Division the Fire Cost Summary report providing a detailed breakdown of actual and projected expenditures and reimbursements.*

Please see the attached document for the wildland fire cost estimates for the preceding fire season. The estimates include costs to close out fire season 2024 and projected costs for the start of fire season 2025, both of which fall within fiscal year 2025.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JC Boyle III", with a stylized flourish at the end.

John C. Boyle III  
Commissioner

Enclosure

cc:      Alexei Painter, Director, Legislative Finance Division  
         Jordan Shilling, Legislative Director, Office of the Governor  
         Lacey Sanders, Director, Office of Management and Budget  
         Brent Goodrum, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources