

Senate Resource Committee,

We Oppose the reappointment of Mr. Ted Spraker to the BOG.

Mr. Spraker has not shown knowledge of modern science in his support of management policies. He has been an unyielding supporter of Intensive Management and all of its onerous, controversial predator control proposals. Mr. Spraker has not represented a diversity of interests, has not listened to public input and has not created sound scientific policies for managing Alaska's wildlife resources. Mr. Spraker has not been a fair representation of issues on the lower Kenai Peninsula when it comes to working with the Homer Fish and Game Advisory Board. Additionally, the BOG has relied on promulgation of regulations through Board initiated proposals which bypass the public process and conflict with the State of Alaska's regulatory processes.

Mr. Spraker almost exclusively supports the needs of hunters, trappers and hunting guides. Wildlife viewing and photography support an industry that are sustainable and financially important.

We urge you to appoint Kneeland Taylor to the BOG for a fresh perspective. (See his provided resume to BOG)

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