



Alaska Waterfowl Association

Letter of Support for Bill HB NO 130/SB NO 61

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To Whom it May Concern

Alaska Waterfowl Association is dedicated to helping conservation, preservation, and the protection of Alaska's Waterfowl and Wetlands.

HB 130/SB 61 is a simple request to help preserve, protect and correct technical errors that were initially made when the refuge's boundary descriptions were drafted. A technical error, that needs to be corrected ensuring the future of this habitat.

This Bill will ultimately reinstate the initial intent of the refuges without encroaching on personnel or private citizens. By adding hundreds of acres back to the refuges, you ensure this receives the proper management needed to sustain and maintain habitat protection. It also clarifies who will manage the land ensuring the proper regulations govern such care. This alleviates multiple organizations and allows Alaska Department of Fish and Game to do their job with a little outside coordination as possible.

Alaska Waterfowl Association supports HB130/SB61 and all request to correct the refuge boundaries mentioned.

These refuges are extremely important for all wildlife that inhabits them. Alaska needs to preserve all of its valuable resources for generations to come.

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Hugh Clark

President

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