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The Honorable Neal Foster  
Alaska House of Representatives  
State Capitol Building, Room 410  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Foster:

In response to questions posed by House Finance Subcommittee members on February 1, 2018 the following information is provided:

- ***Provide a map showing DOT&PF's regional boundaries.***

Please see the attached DOT&PF regional boundary map.

- ***Is DOT&PF using a new composition of brine for snow/ice removal that contains beet juice?***

<https://vimeo.com/121089191>

Above is a link to an anti-icing video produced by the department. This video discusses the brining process. DOT&PF uses enhanced salt brine that contains an organic anti-corrosive additive similar to beet juice.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 465-3906.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amanda Holland".

Amanda Holland,  
Acting Deputy Commissioner

Enclosure

cc: John Binder, Deputy Commissioner  
Sunny Haight, Acting Director, Administrative Services  
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