

ALASKA - BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSBOUNDARY WATERSHEDS



Jill Weitz Director Juneau, Alaska A COMMUNITY-BASED CAMPAIGN DRIVEN BY COMMERCIAL AND SPORT FISHERMEN, COMMUNITY LEADERS, TOURISM AND RECREATION BUSINESS OWNERS AND CONCERNED CITIZENS, IN COLLABORATION WITH TRIBES AND FIRST NATIONS, UNITED ACROSS THE ALASKA / BRITISH COLUMBIA BORDER TO DEFEND AND SUSTAIN OUR TRANSBOUNDARY RIVERS, JOBS AND WAY OF LIFE.



OVERVIEW

- ►PLACE / REGION
- **≻ISSUE**
- >TIMELINE
- **≻PROBLEM**
- > SOLUTION







ISSUE

- ➤ B.C. has authorized more than 12 large-scale open-pit mines at the headwaters of AK-B.C. shared watersheds
- ➤ B.C.'S tailings dams holding back toxic waste are ticking time bombs for Southeast Alaska's multi-billion dollar salmon and visitor economies





PROBLEM

➤ Deregulation in B.C.

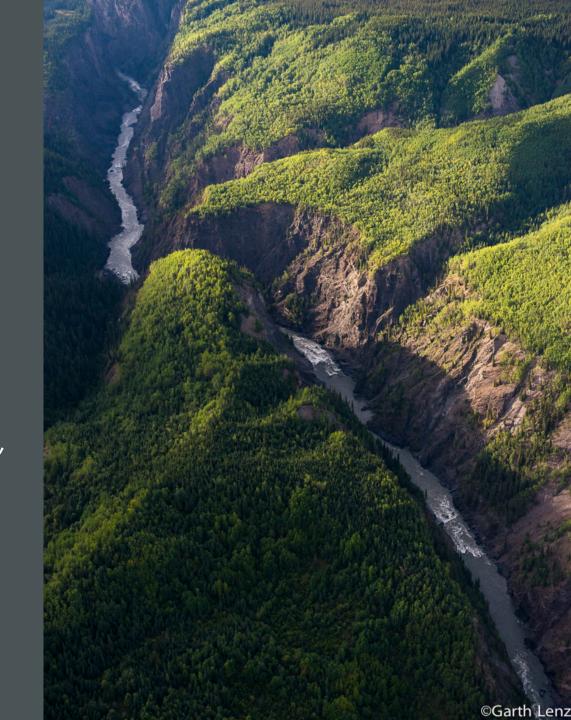
> Transboundary governance

Alaska has everything to lose and nothing to gain

SOLUTION

- >BINDING INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK
 - ➤ Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909
 - ➤International Joint Commission
 - Consent, Data, Cumulative Impacts, Risk Assessment, Monitoring, etc.

>Liability and Accountability





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