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February 26, 1992

The Honorable Cliff Davidson, Chair  
House Resources Committee  
State Capitol  
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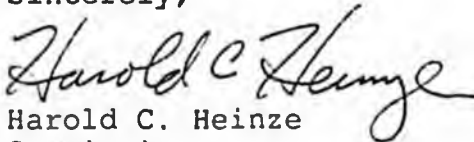
Dear Representative Davidson:

Subject: CSHB 508 (Res), establishing the Business Park Wetlands Special Management Area.

Position: The Department of Natural Resources does not object to receiving title to this special area, as long as the land is free of hazardous waste and the agreement referred to in Section 2 of the bill assures that all management, development, and operating expenses for the site will be borne by a private sector organization. Should that organization terminate the agreement, the state would not have the funds to actively manage the area and needs the flexibility to close it until another organization assumes responsibility.

Background: The mid-town Anchorage area to be included in the Business Park Wetlands Special Management Area currently contains no state-owned land. The Municipality of Anchorage is willing to donate land it owns in the area to the state (approximately 5 acres), and the Business Park Wetlands Coalition is willing to purchase other acreage at the site and donate that land to the state. The Coalition is also willing to maintain and manage the area at no cost to the state.

Sincerely,



Harold C. Heinze  
Commissioner

cc: Committee Members  
Representative Gruenberg  
Representative Ellis  
Representative Donley  
Paul Fuhs, Legislative Liaison, Office of the Governor  
Ron Swanson, Division of Land

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STATE OF ALASKA  
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BILL NO. CSHB 508 (Res)

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Affected: Natural Resources  
 Title: Business Park Wetlands Special BRU: Land Management  
Management Area Component: Land Management  
 Sponsor: Rep. Gruenberg  
 Requestor: House Resources COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
<b>TOTAL</b>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

All management, upkeep, development, etc. costs for this area will be borne by the Business Park Wetlands Coalition or its successor.

Prepared By: Carol J. Wilson Phone: 465-2400  
 Division: Commissioner's Office Date: 2-26-92  
 Approved by Commissioner: Harold C. Heinze *HC*  
 Agency: Natural Resources Date: 2-26-92

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

BY REPRESENTATIVE GRUENBERG

TO: HB 508

I. Page 1, line 13, after "department":  
Delete "for control, development, and maintenance"

II. Page 2, line 6, after "commissioner":  
Delete "shall"  
Insert "may"

III. Page 2, line 9, after "41.21.522.":  
Delete "Incompatible uses shall be prohibited or  
restricted, as provided by regulation."

IV. Page 2, line 11, after "with":  
Insert "the public, and"

V Page 2 line 22 - 25  
Delete "(1) give the Business Park Wetlands  
Coalition . . . and to accept donations; and  
(2) "

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## ATTACHMENT TWO

## PROJECT FINANCIAL PROSPECTUS\*

## COSTS

1. Acquisition

<u>Phase</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Estimated Price</u>
I	Alaska USA Federal Credit Union	5.3 acres	200,000
II	Brechet	4.4 acres	165,000
IIIA	George Mor	4.33 acres	162,000
IIIB	Brechet	4.4 acres	165,000
IV	Business Park Fund	2.4 acres	315,000

Total Phase I (1990): \$200,000 (completed)

Total Phase II (1991): \$165,000

Total Phase III (1991-1992): \$327,000

Total Phase IV (1993-1994): \$315,000

2. Enhancement

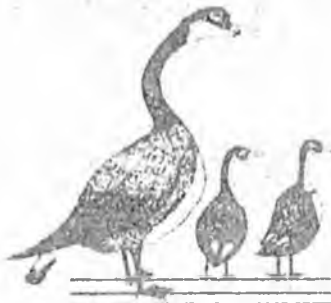
a. One mile of combined boardwalk @ \$150/lf and gravel trail @ \$50/lf.	\$ 200,000
b. Educational displays and interpretive signage along the boardwalk and trail	10,000
c. Parking lot	30,000
d. Revegetation and ponds	<u>100,000</u>
Total Enhancement	\$ 340,000

## REVENUES (Actual (in bold) and Projected)

Individuals and corporations	\$ 275,000
Exxon Co. USA - \$25,000	
Chevron USA Inc. - \$5,000	
Others - \$33,000	
Public sources	727,000
Municipality of Anchorage - \$150,000	
State of Alaska - \$375,000	
Others - 202,000	
Ducks Unlimited	70,000
Foundations	275,000
Chicago, Ill., foundation - \$25,000	

TOTAL REVENUES (ACTUAL AND PROJECTED) \$1,337,000

\*Note that these acquisition prices are based on 1989 appraisal reports and may not accurately reflect the actual acquisition price reached after negotiations with the property owners.



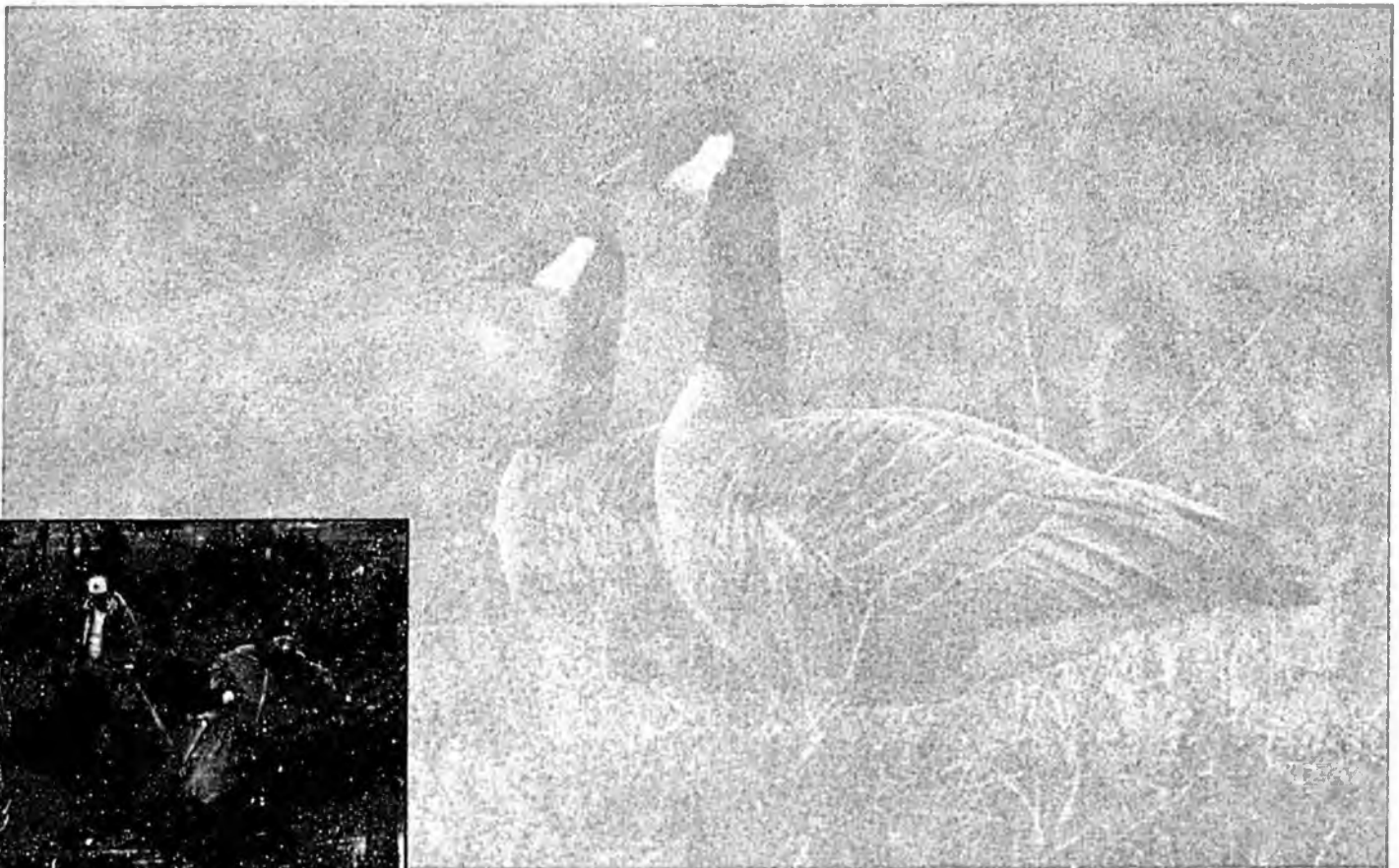
# Quacker Quarterly

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Greg McClellan



## Third Annual Clean-up A Success

 Thirty-five enthusiastic workers collected bags of cans, paper, and all kinds of interesting trash on the third official Business Park Wetlands Clean-up on April 20. The event, which drew significant interest and coverage from local television and news media, was a major success.

Starting in 1989, the Clean-up had been held during Creek Clean-up Day in mid-May. However, walking through deep peat and trying to avoid nesting wildlife led to Clean-up organizers rescheduling the 1991 event to a date earlier in

April. As hoped, participants were able to walk on frozen peat to reach the entire wetlands area and find previously undiscovered trash. Although many geese were present to "honk" the Clean-up workers on, no nests were disturbed.

The Business Park Wetlands Coalition wishes to thank Lee and Fred Steinhauser, organizers of the Clean-up, as well as KTUU Channel 2, KTVA Channel 11, and the Anchorage Daily News for their helpful coverage. Last, but not least, a big hand goes to the many Clean-up participants.

# Fundraising Facts

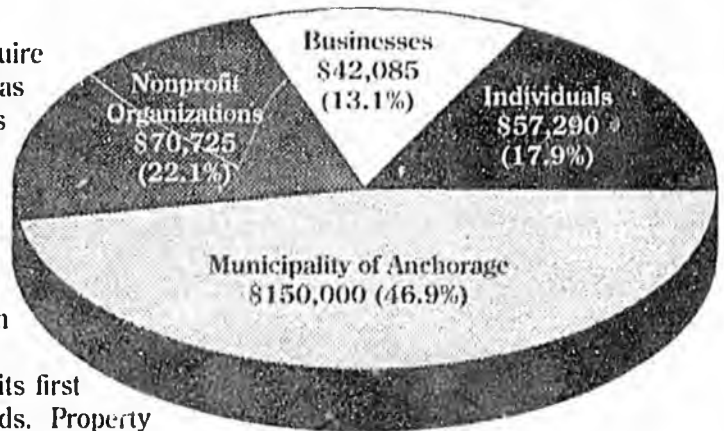


Alaska's first public/private joint venture to acquire and preserve an important natural area has reached a major fundraising goal. The efforts of the Business Park Wetlands Coalition, supported by nearly 200 contributors, have thus far culminated in raising or gaining commitments for over \$320,000!

The diverse sources of the funds include individuals, small businesses, major corporations, foundations, nonprofit organizations, and the Municipality of Anchorage. A breakdown of the contribution sources is illustrated to the right.

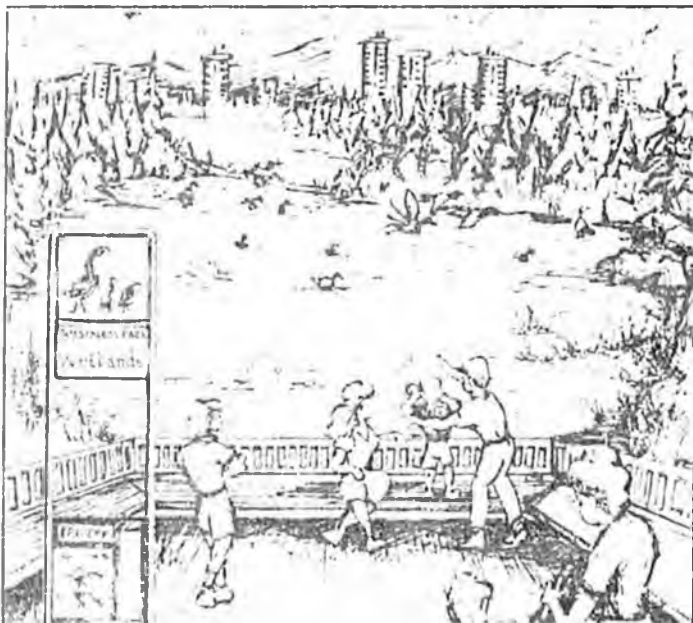
In February, the Business Park Wetlands Coalition made its first purchase of 5.3 acres of the major nesting area of the Wetlands. Property acquisition negotiations and fundraising efforts are continuing.

Interested in making a contribution? Call 562-2514. Thanks!



Total Raised To-Date: \$320,100

# Public Access Improvements Planned



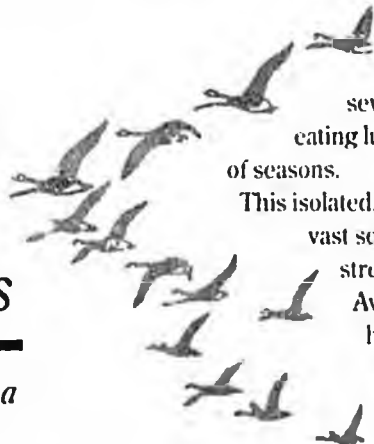
During a recent April meeting, the Coalition Executive Committee reviewed a proposed design to construct a public viewing area, educational signs, and a small picnic area at the west end of West 48th Avenue adjacent to the Wetlands. Designed by Elise Huggins of Earthscape, the improvements will provide a slightly raised viewing deck for school and other groups. Eye-catching placards detailing the resident and visiting waterfowl will be located near the viewing area. Just to the north of the viewing platform will be a small picnic area for the many noontime visitors to the Wetlands who now enjoy eating their lunch while watching the waterfowl activity.

Major contributors to this exciting project include Chevron USA Inc., Earthscape, and Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

Construction is scheduled to begin in late summer, after this year's crop of goslings, ducklings, and gulls have moved on. Elise Huggins, Chair of the Site Improvements Committee is seeking donations of materials and labor. For more information, call Elise at 279-2688.

## Business Park Wetlands

Anchorage, Alaska



The Business Park Wetlands is a 28-acre open space area in Anchorage's highly-developed south midtown. Though located in close proximity to several major thoroughfares, it provides a quiet and surprisingly remote oasis for eating lunch, viewing the abundant waterbird population, or just watching the change of seasons.

This isolated, partially disturbed bog is a remnant piece of what was, until the late 1970's, a vast section of interwoven ponds and wetlands habitat known as patterned bog that stretched from near Potter Drive north to the old Fish Creek basin near 36th Avenue. The original wetlands area contained numerous large ponds and a highly diverse and productive mix of habitats. This area was arguably the most extensive patterned ground bog in the Anchorage Bowl.

Today, the Business Park Wetlands is extremely high in wildlife activity for its relatively small size. Every year, more than 20 pairs of Canada Geese

# State Appropriation Moves Ahead



Business Park Wetlands Coalition Chair, Marideth Sandler, reports that a \$375,000 appropriation for continued acquisition of the Wetlands was passed by a very enthusiastic Alaska State Legislature. Much of the legislative support is due to the many letters Anchorage legislators received from Business Park Wetlands supporters. Representative Dave Choquette's staff estimated that they alone received thirty-five letters!

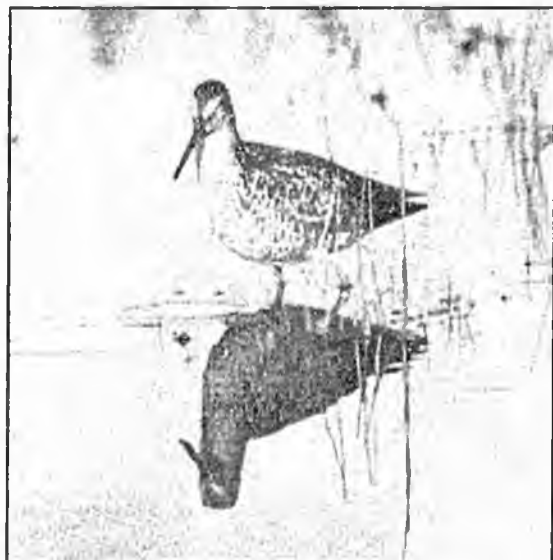
The Coalition asked the State to join our public/private fundraising efforts to acquire the Wetlands by matching the monies already raised. State participation is very important because it will leverage significant new monies from private and nonprofit sources.

Much can yet happen during the budget review by the Governor, including a veto of the appropriation. Please focus your attention on Governor Hickel by writing him to urge that he keep the appropriation in the budget. A good idea is to write your letter on your business letterhead. You can also easily send a Public Opinion Message by calling 561-7007.

Questions? Call Marideth Sandler at 274-7555 (days) or at 346-2535 (evenings).



John Warden



Greg McClellan

## New Bird Sightings



Right on schedule, the first Mallard Ducks began returning to a snowy Business Park Wetlands during the last week of March, according to Wetlands neighbors Lee and Fred Steinhauser. While the Business Park Wetlands Coalition was working to get out a mailing on Wednesday, April 3, the first Canada Geese flew overhead. A good omen! Later that week several Geese were observed walking gingerly on the snow.

The warming spring brought a wide array of waterfowl. As ever, hundreds of Canada Geese have either stopped briefly at the Wetlands or have returned for the summer. As of early May, four Eurasian Wigeons were sighted at the Wetlands, which is a first for the area and a fairly unusual Anchorage occurrence. Other new sightings have included Golden Plovers, Glaucous Gulls, and a Sandhill Crane.

Mark Dalton chairs the Wetlands Watch Committee and welcomes reports of any unusual or even usual sightings. Please give him a call at 562-2514 during the day.

nest in the area. The large number of nests is three to four times higher per unit area than other comparable Anchorage wetlands.


In early spring, it is common to see well over 100 ducks and geese at a time on the meltwater ponds. The area is also home to one of four significant Mew Gull colonies remaining in the Anchorage Bowl, as well as many Mallards, Northern Shovelers, American Wigeons, plovers, dowitchers, and other birds. Thirty-eight bird species have been observed in the wetlands during the summer months.

The Business Park Wetlands also provides an important and well-used open space for neighborhood residents and those working in the adjacent business and industrial areas. Greater Anchorage area residents bring their families to observe the geese and young goslings. On every spring and summer day, countless numbers of people walk

or drive to the Wetlands to enjoy a quiet moment. Others jog or fitness walk past the wetlands, using the convenient one mile loop of adjacent public roads. Tour companies have chosen the Wetlands as a regular stop on their city tours, and school classes use the site as a convenient outdoor classroom.

The area supports three wetlands plant communities and numerous ponds that contain open water all summer. Most of the wetlands plant communities contain ericaceous species like sweetgale, dwarf birch, leatherleaf, and Labrador tea. Sedges, grasses, rushes, and various mosses are common groundcover species. Several wetlands - dependant plants survive in the Business Park Wetlands, many of which have become rare in the Anchorage area from continued wetlands filling.

# Who Is The Business Park Wetlands Coalition?



The Coalition was organized in June 1988 with the purpose of preserving the thirty-acre Business Park Wetlands in midtown Anchorage. In the three years of its existence, the Coalition has raised over \$320,000, collected data on the biological and recreational use of the Wetlands, negotiated the purchase of 5.3 acres of the Wetlands, completed several designs for enhancement of the area, and other significant accomplishments. The Coalition's efforts are the first time in Alaska that a joint venture of private and public efforts are successfully saving an important natural area.

...and what an important natural area the Business Park Wetlands is! Last summer, the Wetlands was the site of more nesting activity for Canada Geese and other waterfowl than any other wetlands in Anchorage! Over twenty pairs of nesting Geese raised over eighty goslings. Numerous other species also successfully raised their young at the Wetlands. Historically, the Business Park Wetlands is the second most productive wetlands in Anchorage per unit area.

The Coalition is comprised of individuals from many companies, organizations, and agencies. Coalition Executive Committee members are Marideth Sandler, Mark Dalton, Larry Rundquist, Charlene Hutton, Jim Thiele, and Elise Huggins. For more information on the Business Park Wetlands and Coalition activities, call 562-2514.

## Quacker Club Distinguished Benefactors

Municipality of Anchorage	Representative Max Gruenberg
Exxon Co. USA	HDR Engineering, Inc.
BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.	Charlene and Jim Hutton
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BILL NO. HB508

Revision Date: 2/25/92

Department Affected: Fish and Game

Title: Business Park Wetland

BRU: Habitat

Management Area

Component: Habitat

Sponsor: Gruenberg, Ellis, Donley

Requestor: House Resources Committee

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0					
TRAVEL	0					
CONTRACTUAL	0					
SUPPLIES	0					
EQUIPMENT	0					
LAND & STRUCTURES	0					
GRANTS CLAIMS	0					
MISCELLANEOUS	0					
TOTAL OPERATING	0					

CAPITAL	0					
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0					
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0					
FEDERAL FUNDS	0					
OTHER FUND SOURCE:	0					
TOTAL	0					

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0					
PART-TIME	0					
TEMPORARY	0					

Estimate of current year impact: No impact on current year.

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Frank Rue, Director Phone: 465-4105

Division: Habitat Date: 2/25/92

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]

Agency: Department of Fish and Game Date: 2/25/92

Distribution (by preparer): Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. OSC., & Impacted Agency(ies).

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## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Members of the House Resources Committee

FROM: Representative Max Gruenberg *MAX*

DATE: February 24, 1992

RE: Support for HB 508, "The Business Park  
Wetlands Bill"

I would very much appreciate your support for HB 508.

HB 508 creates the the Business Park Wetlands Special Use Area (approximately 30 acres). The Business Park Wetlands are an incredibly productive nesting area for waterfowl in central Anchorage. Funds for the purchase of the property inside the Business Park Wetlands have been donated by groups such as Ducks Unlimited and Exxon Corporation.

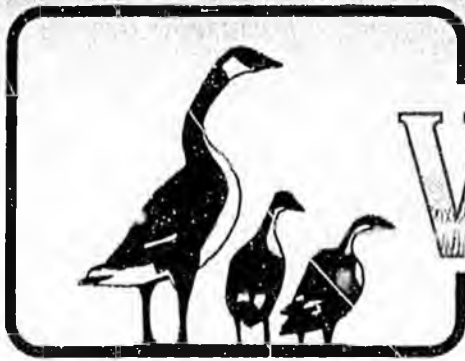
HB 508 is somewhat similar to HB 200, which the governor vetoed last summer. However, it contains improvements worked out with the governors office, the Municipality of Anchorage, and the Business Park Wetlands Coalition. We have been informed that this new concept has the support of all of these interests.

If you have any questions or comments please contact my legislative assistant, Mark Handley at 465-4968.

Thank you very much.

Enclosures.

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# Business Park Wetlands Coalition

The Business Park Wetlands is a 28-acre open space area in Anchorage's highly-developed south midtown. Though located in close proximity to several major thoroughfares, it provides a quiet and surprisingly remote oasis for eating lunch, viewing the abundant waterbird population, or just watching the change of seasons. On many a nice day, area residents or workers can be found walking, jogging, or sitting along the wetlands' perimeter. Greater Anchorage area residents also use the area, especially for viewing wildlife.

## THE BUSINESS PARK WETLANDS: AN IMPORTANT NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE

### What is unusual about the Business Park Wetlands?

It is extremely high in wildlife activity for its relatively small size. In late spring 1989, upwards of 20 pairs of Canada Geese nested in the Business Park Wetlands. The large number of nests is three to four times higher per unit area than other comparable Anchorage Wetlands. In early spring, it is common to see more than 100 ducks and geese at a time on the meltwater ponds. The area is also home to one of four significant Mew Gull colonies remaining in the Anchorage Bowl, as well as many Mallards, Northern Shovelers, American Wigeons, Plovers, Dowitchers, and other birds. Over thirty avian species have been observed in the wetlands during the summer months. Although it is not a developed or even designated park area, the Business Park Wetlands provides an important and well-used open space for neighborhood residents and those working in the adjacent business and industrial areas. Greater Anchorage area residents bring their families to observe the geese and young goslings. On every summer day, many people walk or drive to the west end of West 48th Avenue to eat lunch. Others jog or fitness walk past the wetlands, using the convenient one-mile loop of adjacent public roads. This makes for an interesting outing, as it may involve dodging the harassment of concerned mother gulls and other protective birds.



Photo: Elise Huggins

## Anchorage Residents and Area Workers Protect the Business Park Wetlands.



Photo: Marideth Sandler

The Business Park Wetlands is owned by four separate private owners. It is largely zoned for high-density residential use and, because the Municipality of Anchorage classified it as developable wetlands in 1982, it can be filled and destroyed with no public input and little regulatory agency review. Despite the threat to its continued existence, the Business Park Wetlands has been adopted by the public. For years, adjacent residents and businesses have kept

intrusive uses and users out of the wetlands.

Nearly fifty stray cats and dogs were live-trapped over a three-year period and sent to the shelter where they could find caring owners. "Stray" humans whose actions seem out of character with the more recreational and educational atmosphere that surrounds the wetlands are quickly asked to go elsewhere by the nearby business workers and residents. Because of this overwhelming and active concern for the Business Park Wetlands, a petition drive was mounted six years ago to purchase the area for a park.

Although the drive stopped short of success at that time, the effort has been revived. In 1988, businesses, area residents, environmental and neighborhood groups, and governmental agencies joined together as the BUSINESS PARK WETLANDS COALITION. The Coalition is supported by nearly 1000 Anchorage residents, as evidenced by the success of a recent petition drive. When, in early spring 1989, one of the property owners began filling a portion of the wetlands, the immediate vocal support for this publicly cherished resource resulted in a short-term halt of fill activity.

The goal of the Business Park Wetlands Coalition is to purchase this important area of shrinking open space so that it is retained, enhanced, and managed for recreational, educational, and environmental purposes. The value of this effort is two-fold: the Business Park Wetlands already serves as an important open space and recreational neighborhood improvement for residents and workers alike. Creative design could easily multiply its present benefits. Because of its currently high productivity as a wetlands habitat, the Business Park Wetlands also holds exciting potential for increased wildlife use, if enhanced and managed properly.



Photo: Cami Dalton

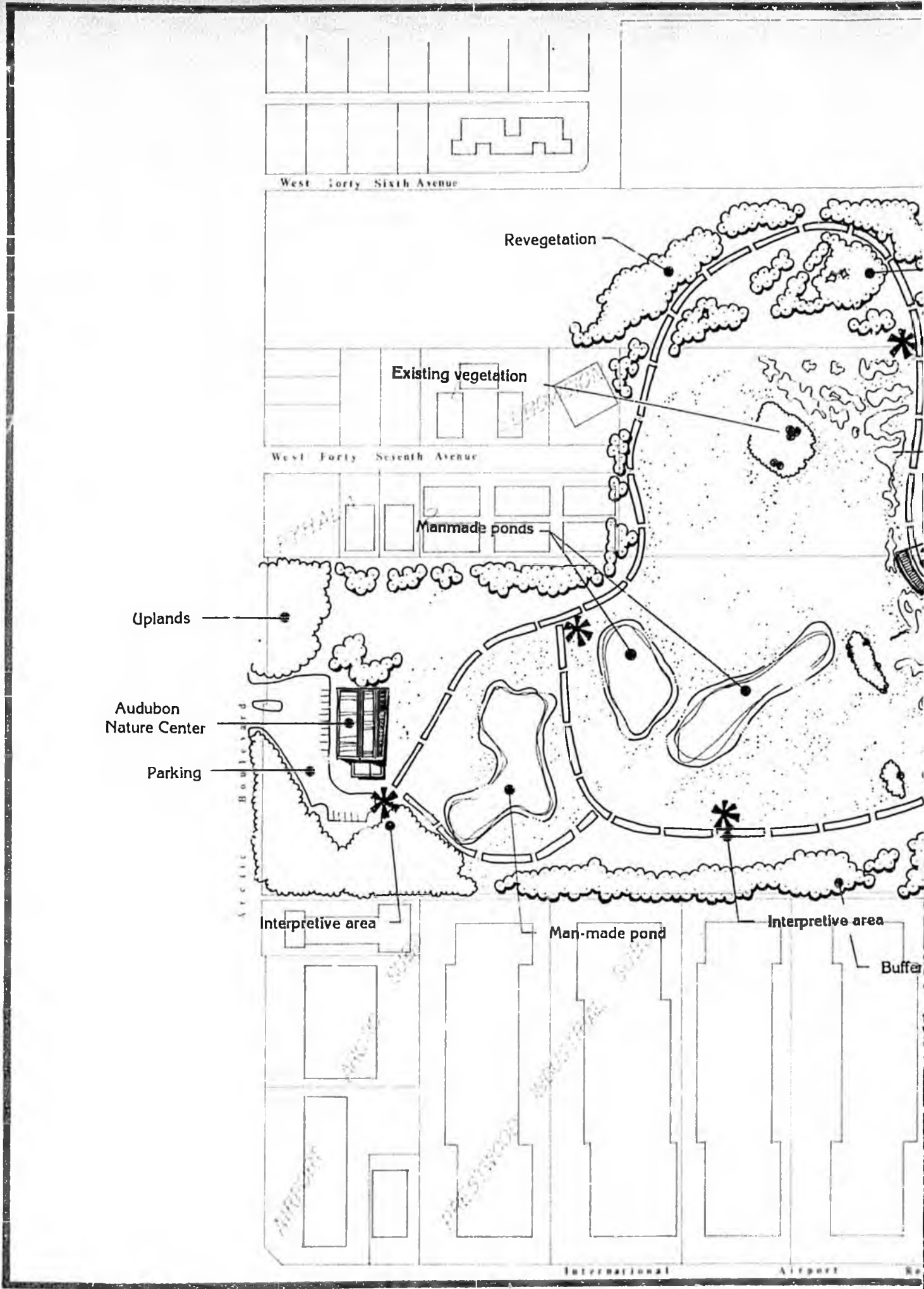
The Coalition has made strong progress toward meeting its goal. The wildlife and other resources of the area have been, and are continuing to be, documented and photographed. The actions of neighboring residents and businesses to manage these resources, both in the past and at present, are also being recorded. Discussions with area property owners have been underway for several months to ascertain purchase and trade options. Two of these options are in active negotiation with the respective parties. One involves a land trade for a significant portion of the wetlands and the second would result in acquisition of an immediately adjacent area. Together, these transactions will result in preservation of nearly half of the Business Park Wetlands. Fundraising for the project has begun, with a substantial amount already raised from private contributions. The Coalition has an overall fundraising strategy and has developed a concept plan for the area. This includes enhancement of the area to create more open ponds for waterbird rearing and to filter the drainage water entering the wet-

## The Future Looks Bright for the Business Park Wetlands

lands from adjacent uses. Other improvements

would facilitate use of the Business Park Wetlands for continued wildlife viewing, as well as jogging and fitness walking.

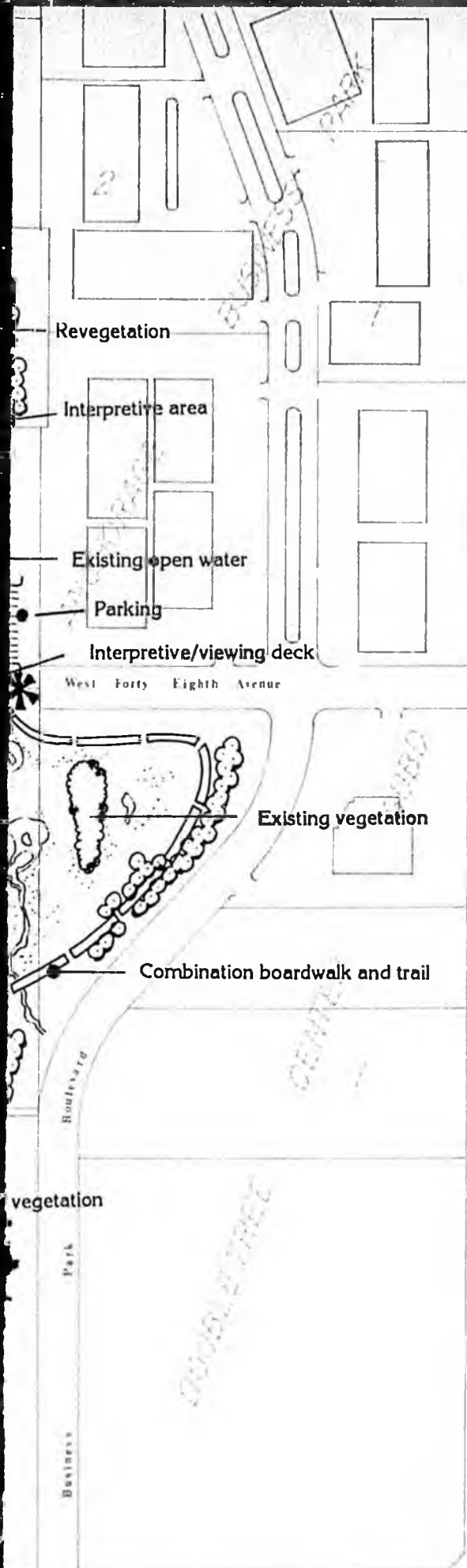
New and exciting activities could also find a home in the Business Park Wetlands. The uplands portion of the open space area lends itself well as the site for an Audubon-sponsored Urban Nature Center, that would house displays on wetlands habitat and wildlife. Because of the unique oasis feeling of this easily accessible setting, the nature center could be widely used by school and college classes (in addition to other youth and adult groups) to learn about natural wetlands habitat still remaining within Anchorage's urban scene. The planned trail and boardwalk loops are designed with areas for wildlife viewing, fitness stations, outdoor educational displays, and benches. Location of a Nature Center on-site would provide a rare opportunity to combine and bring into focus the Business Park Wetlands' environmental, recreational, educational, and open space potentials.





Business Park  
**Wetlands**  
Coalition

# Conceptual Plan



## potential activities

- *Jogging, Running, Walking*  
1/4 mile & 3/4 mile loop trail
- *Interpretive Areas* (\*)
- *Audubon Nature Center*
- *Wildlife Viewing*
- *Relaxing/Lunch Stop*
- *Habitat Enhancement*



Plan designed by Earthscape

## Business Park Wetlands A Threatened Natural Area

area contained numerous large ponds and a highly diverse and productive mix of habitats. This area was arguably the most extensive and complex patterned ground bog in the Anchorage Bowl.

This isolated, partially disturbed bog is a remnant piece of what was, until the late-1970s, a vast section of interwoven ponds and wetlands habitats known as patterned ground that stretched from near Potter Drive north to the old Fish Creek basin near West 36th Avenue. The original wetlands



The area supports three wetlands plant communities and numerous ponds that contain open water all summer. A small section of mixed birch and cottonwood forest



stands at the area's southwest corner. Most of the wetlands plant communities contain ericaceous species like sweetgale, dwarf birch, leatherleaf, and Labrador tea. Sedges, grasses, rushes, and various mosses are common understory species here. Several wetlands dependent plants survive in the Business Park Wetlands, many of which have become rare or threatened in the Anchorage area from continued wetlands filling.



Of major concern and influence to this site is the local hydrology, which has been altered by adjacent development. Groundwater input to this system is necessary to maintain the wetlands' habitats and open water in critical dry periods. Any additional change or loss of the area's groundwater will further degrade the wetlands' functions and viability.



Photos provided by John Hyde and Dan Rosenberg, ADF&G

**SUPPORTERS OF  
THE BUSINESS PARK WETLANDS**  
include:

**Anchorage Audubon Society  
Alaska Center for the Environment  
Spenard Community Council  
Anchorage Waterways Council  
Nature Conservancy  
American Society of Landscape Architects - Anchorage Chapter  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
Municipality Of Anchorage  
- Urban Design Commission  
- Parks and Recreation Commission  
- Department of Economic Development and Planning  
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AT Publishing  
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**Project Aerial Photos contributed by Aero Map, U.S.**

Nearly one thousand people agree with the many actively-involved businesses, organizations, agencies, and neighborhood residents that the Business Park Wetlands must be preserved now. Join us in our efforts! Use the enclosed envelope to help us acquire as many square feet of wetlands as you wish. Or, you're invited to "purchase" a goose nest to insure that this year's newborn Canada Geese will have a home to which they can return next spring. All contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law because of the Coalition's affiliation with the Anchorage Audubon Society, a local non-profit organization. If you'd also like to become more involved, there's space for you to let us know that too. Thank you for your support!

For more information, contact:

**Marideth Sandler (562-2514-days or 346-2535-evenings)  
or Robert Senner (258-4054-days or 345-5891-evenings.)**

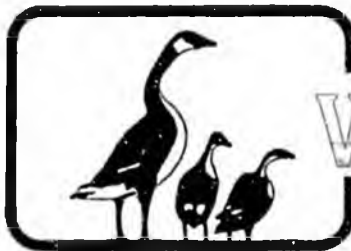
## BIRDS YOU ARE LIKELY TO SEE IN THE BUSINESS PARK WETLANDS

Canada Goose\*  
Mallard\*  
Green-winged Teal  
American Wigeon\*  
Northern Pintail  
Northern Shoveler\*  
Greater Scaup  
Semipalmated Plover  
Killdeer  
Lesser Golden-Plover  
Greater Yellowlegs  
Lesser Yellowlegs\*  
Spotted Sandpiper  
Short-billed Dowitcher\*  
Common Snipe  
Least Sandpiper\*

Ring-billed Gull  
Mew Gull\*  
Herring Gull\*  
Glaucous-winged Gull  
Bald Eagle  
Tree Swallow  
Violet-green Swallow  
Common Raven  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
American Robin\*  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Savannah Sparrow\*  
White-crowned Sparrow\*  
Lincoln's Sparrow  
Pine Siskin  
Common Redpoll

\* Known or probable breeder.

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