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March 13, 2016

Dear Senator Bill Stoltze,

Kenny and Patty Barber have been instrumental in the development of outdoor recreational opportunities in the Butte area. Their leadership in the effort to re-claim and re-classify what is now known as the Knik Public Use Area has been recognized by many local area residents. Ad hoc use of firearms in the Knik River area was cited by many as a problem. The solution offered by some people was to prohibit the use of firearms. Lifelong hunters and shooters themselves, Kenny and Patty worked with state policymakers to locate a secure site nearby and advocate for the development of a shooting range where local residents can exercise their 2nd Amendment rights.

The Butte Community Council has already recognized Kenny and Patty Barber for their efforts on behalf of local area residents and have forwarded their recommened to the State.

Alaska Outdoor Council would like the legislature/state to name the facility on their behalf.

Sincerely,

Rod Arno
Executive Director
Alaska Outdoor Council

Bill Iverson
President
Alaska Outdoor Council

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2016 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	SB 204
Fiscal Note Number:	1
(S) Publish Date:	3/23/2016

Identifier: SB204-DNR-MLW-3-17-2016
Title: KENNY & PATTI BARBER SHOOTING RANGE
Sponsor: STATE AFFAIRS
Requester: Senate State Affairs

Department: Department of Natural Resources
Appropriation: Fire Suppression, Land & Water Resources
Allocation: Mining, Land & Water
OMB Component Number: 3002

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2017 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2017 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	**FY 2017**	**FY 2017**	**FY 2018**	**FY 2019**	**FY 2020**	**FY 2021**	**FY 2022**
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? NO
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Initial Version

Prepared By:	Brent Goodrum, Director	Phone:	(907)269-8625
Division:	Mining, Land and Water	Date:	03/17/2016 12:00 AM
Approved By:	Marty Rutherford, Acting Commissioner	Date:	03/17/16
Agency:	Department of Natural Resources		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
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Analysis

DNR anticipates that there will be no fiscal impact to the department from this legislation.

Section 1 of the bill proposes to enact AS 38.40.375 to name the shooting range located near Mud Lake on Maude Road within the Knik River Public use Area the Kenny and Patti Barber Shooting Range.

Section 2 of the bill proposes to amend the uncodified law of the State of Alaska by adding a new subsection that would prohibit the state from replacing a state-owned sign identifying the shooting range unless the existing sign is damaged or due for replacement according to regularly scheduled maintenance.

THE USE OF THIS RANGE IS AT YOUR OWN RISK

RULES OF THE KRPUA SHOOTING RANGE

GENERAL RULES

1. Hours of operation are 10 am - 8 pm. The range is closed every Wednesday.
2. Vehicles are not allowed on range.
3. Shotgun shot is not allowed (slugs and sabot only).
4. Fully automatic weapons, explosives, cannons, .50 caliber center fire rifles and non-firearms are not allowed.
5. Only paper, wood or clay targets may be used (no aerial targets). Targets must be placed at least at minimum distances. The State of Alaska reserves sole discretion.
6. No fires of any sort are allowed on site.
7. No alcoholic beverages may be consumed on site.
8. Pistols, revolvers, and black powder firearms are allowed.
9. Please wear proper safety equipment. People acting in an unsafe manner will have to leave the site.
10. Be sure your weapon is safe to operate and you know how to use it.

FIRING LINE RULES

1. Treat every weapon as if it were loaded.
2. Never point your weapon at anything you do not intend to shoot.
3. Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire.
4. Keep your weapon on safe until you intend to fire.
5. Be aware of your target's foreground and background.

   Minimum Distance for 25yd Range is: **3 yards**

   Minimum Distance for 100yd Range is: **10 yards**
6. Designate a range officer when none are present or assigned.
7. While on the firing line, always point your weapon down range. Weapons may only be fired from the established firing line.
8. Unload, remove the magazine, open the action, and place on ground or bench all firearms during a cease fire. Do not handle any firearm or stand at the firing line where firearms are present while others are down range.
9. Clean up your lane of fire when you are done; this includes all shell casings, targets and debris.
10. Ground targets are not authorized.

THE USE OF THIS RANGE IS AT YOUR OWN RISK

For questions, comments and/or concerns about the KRPUA, or to receive information about current and upcoming projects and/or events taking place on state owned land within the KRPUA, contact the Land Manager at (907) 269-8503 or visit KNIKRIVER.ALASKA.GOV

For non-emergency assistance, please call AST Dispatch at 352-5401.
For emergency assistance, please call 911.

Knik River Public Use Area: Shooting Range – Source: http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/krpua/#krpua=4

FIRING LINE

Provided by the office of Senator Stoltze for SB 204 – "Kenny & Patti Barber Shooting Range"

According to the Department of Natural Resources: (http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/krpua/index.cfm#krpua=4)

"Phase II construction is complete. It's normal schedule of 10:00am to 8:00pm. The range will be closed every Wednesday. There are now 18 lanes of fire on the 100 yard range, and 10-12 lanes of fire on the 25 yard range. Parking has also been expanded and portable lavatories have been provided.

USE OF THE KRPUA SHOOTING RANGE IS AT YOUR OWN RISK.
That being said, please ensure you have read and understood all the **Range Rules** (PDF) site. Both land managers and the State Troopers will cite violations of the KRPUA regulations. Please pick up your debris and remind others to do the same. Damage and maintenance costs will take away resources that could enhance the facility.

Located between Palmer and Butte Alaska, the Knik River Public Use Area Shooting Range is off of the Maud Road Extension, approximately 2.7 miles from the end of the paved section of Maud Road. It is approximately 1000' ft. past Mud Lake with appropriate signage marking its location.

Trash cans will be provided and emptied regularly. For questions, comments, and/or concerns about the KRPUA, or to receive information about current and upcoming projects and/or events taking place on state owned land within the KRPUA contact Travis Jensen at 269-8503 or email: **Travis Jensen** (travis.jensen@alaska.gov)"

KRPUA Shooting Range Statistics

# of Users (P) Personally Seen	# of Users (R) Reported	# Bags of Trash	# of Vehicles	# of ATV's
1630	5069	276	2687	29
Total Visits = 6699				

Daniel George

From: Earl Lackey <elackey@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2016 3:52 PM
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Senator Stoltze,

Will you please move this legislation through Senate to name the new Maud Road shooting range for Kenny and Patty Barber for all the work they do promoting safety in the Butte.]

Thanks

Earl P Lackey

Butte Community Council

To Whom It May Concern:

The Butte Community Council would like to recognize Kenny and Patty Barber for their efforts in enriching our community. Their continued attendance at public meetings, 'they work with various organizations, having helped our community develop by providing information for every aspect of our community's growth .Their work with state policy makers has led to the creation of the KRUPA and the subsequent trail development as well as a secure shooting range. Without any of the forgo0ing reasons the Barbers are owed a eternal debt of gratitude for their unselfish contributions of time and energy for their efforts in our community and our state we ask that the shooting range on Maud road in Butte Alaska be named in their honor as a start of the recognition of their service to our community and our state. Thank you for the attention to our request respectfully

Darryl Dreher
President

Darryl Dreher
Signature

Remodeled shooting range opening in Butte

By Shannon Ballard (http://www.ktva.com/authors/shannon-ballard/) Photojournalist: Nick Swann - 10:15 PM August 20, 2015

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BUTTE – A new sign went up on Thursday at the beginning of a dirt road in the small community of Butte.

For Kenny Barber, who lives nearby, it marks more than simply the way to get to the Maud Road Shooting Range. To him, it represents a community's reached goal.

"People just came out and shot everything they wanted to," Barber said.

The Knik River Public Use area has a bad reputation for being full of illegal dumping and shooting.

"We were having round impacts into people's homes, we were having numerous police calls of close calls, people walking down the trail and someone chose that to be their target area," explained Department of Natural Resources Land Manager Travis Jensen.

The former Maud Road Shooting Range closed down over the summer for renovations. The construction is now complete and the range is set to reopen Saturday, Aug. 22.

"Responsible shooting is what I hope it creates," Barber said as he unloaded new trashcans and rifle benches made by hand.

The new range has a paved parking lot, two brand new shooting pavilions and wheelchair accessible lanes. The state spent nearly $1 million on the improvements, which Jensen says will make the area a safer place for people to shoot.

"This is the only state-run range, essentially, in the area," Jensen said.

The nearest home is three miles down the Maud Road. Some neighbors argue the range doesn't belong on their street and are worried about increased traffic and noise pollution.

"That's one of the reasons we put a covered pavilion on the site," Jensen said. "We spent about $25,000 on sound abatement."

The hope now is that people will respect the Knik River Public Use Area, shoot responsibly and keep it clean for everyone to enjoy.

The range will be open every day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. except Wednesdays, when the range will be closed.

Kenny & Patti Barber

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