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TO: SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
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FROM: JOHN WESTLUND
1124 TONGA DRIVE
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99507 (W) 267-2199

SUBJ: SB35

SENATE BILL 35 WILL PROVIDE PROTECTION TO AN AREA OF LAND VITAL TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE NELCHINA CARIBOU HERD, AND IMPORTANT TO THE PEOPLE OF ALASKA WHO ENJOY RECREATION IN THAT AREA. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION. THANKYOU.



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National Audubon Society

ALASKA REGIONAL OFFICE
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TESTIMONY OF

DAVID R. CLINE

ON

SENATE BILL NO. 35

"AN ACT CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA"

AT THE

SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

MARCH 6, 1985

AMERICANS COMMITTED TO CONSERVATION

Madam Chairman:

My name is Dave Cline and I am testifying today on behalf of the National Audubon Society and its 2,600 members in Alaska. I would first like to compliment your committee - particularly Senators Jay Kerttula and Vic Fischer - in developing Senate Bill No. 35, "An Act Creating the Nelchina Public Use Area."

This legislation provides an opportunity for the Senate Resources Committee to be innovative, and to properly assign management jurisdiction for state lands in the Nelchina basin based on resource priorities and the broad public interest.

Since to protect and maintain fish and wildlife habitats and populations is the primary purpose of SB 35, management of the area should be assigned to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G). This is the state agency which has the professional expertise necessary to fulfill legislative intent in the area. To assign management to another agency, such as the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) which has little or no proven expertise in fish and wildlife conservation, will dilute management efforts and jeopardize the legislation from the start. The worst that could be done would be to assign management to two agencies, for example, ADF&G and DNR. If there is anything I have learned in some 25 years of wildlife conservation work, it is that one resource management agency will more than have its hands full protecting and managing such an area. Under dual management, scarce public resources will be squandered in turf battles. This in turn will result in on the ground management falling far short of public expectations and legislative intent.

Again, since the area is being designated primarily to protect and maintain fish and wildlife populations and habitats while allowing for compatible public uses, the "Nelchina State Wildlife Refuge" would seem a more appropriate title. In any event, Audubon deems it vitally important that the key word "wildlife" be included in the bill's title, for the best available scientific information indicates that this is the state resource of primary concern in the Nelchina Basin, with the Nelchina caribou herd of special significance. To put public uses ahead of wildlife conservation in the area's designation is to put the cart before the horse in our opinion.

We're very pleased to see that in Section 41. 3. Management, you are requiring that a management plan be developed for the area after adequate public hearings. We recommend, however, that a "comprehensive" management plan be called for, and that the management agency be required to prepare one within two years. Without stressing that the plan be comprehensive in nature, and specifying such a reasonable time limit, experience has shown that the management plan could end up being very sketchy and taking many years to complete. Even worse, the planning may be indefinitely postponed. Take for example our fine state wildlife refuges, critical habitat areas and sanctuaries. None of them have comprehensive management plans in place that I know of, despite the fact that several of the areas have been with us since shortly after statehood. Meanwhile, public use conflicts requiring management direction are intensifying, particularly in our urban refuges near Anchorage, Fairbanks and Juneau.

We also recommend that the bill require the adoption of fair and reasonable regulations after adequate public hearings to properly protect and manage the area. To state in Section 41.21.878 Part (c) that DNR may adopt regulations to deal only with minimal entry is simply not adequate. May should be changed to shall, for sound regulations will be essential if serious public use conflicts are to be avoided.

Since land disposal appears to be the primary concern regarding potential resource use conflicts in the Nelchina Basin, we strongly urge that the following language be added to Section 41.21.800. Compatibility of Uses:

"State lands and waters within the area are closed to sale under state land disposal laws."

This language is identical to that in your precedent setting "Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve" bill of 1982, and assures the public that land exchanges will not be allowed to jeopardize resource management initiatives in the Nelchina Basin.

Thank you for your consideration of these recommendations. Please know that the National Audubon Society strongly supports passage of this timely and important legislation, and very much appreciates the time you are taking to work on it.

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SB 35

FROM: ANTHONY DUNN
1623 RUSSIAN JACK #2
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99504 PHONE: 333-4242

RE: SB 35- NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35 (NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA). IT COVERS 3 MILLION ACRES ALREADY MANAGED BY EXISTING LAW, AND ADDRESSES NON PAID LAND. THE RESULTANT MANAGEMENT PLAN WILL COST MORE THAN ONE BILLION DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT. IT IS INAPPROPRIATE TO CONSIDER SUCH AN EXPENDITURE AT A TIME OF DECLINING REVENUES.

TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FROM: GERALD BOOTH
2941 KAPSTAN
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99516
HOME NO.: 345-0054
WORK NO.: 563-3686

SB 35 - NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35 " NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA". CURRENTLY THE PROLIFERATION OF NEW PUBLIC USE AREAS WILL CAUSE A LAND MANAGEMENT NIGHTMARE FOR WHICH THERE'S NO LEGISLATIVE GUIDANCE. INFACIT, IT IS ALREADY A RECREATION AREA WITHOUT LEGISLATION. HELP KEEP THE BUDGET DOWN, STOP CREATING NEW SYSTEMS.

FROM: GERALD GALLAGHER
16000 FRANCESCA DR.
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99516 PH) 345-7974

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35 CREATING NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA AND ASK YOU TO DO SO ALSO. THIS LEGISLATION WILL RESTRICT HUNTING ACCESS AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. THE COST OF ANOTHER LAND USE PLAN WILL BE TOO MUCH FOR OUR ALREADY SHRINKING BUDGET. THE AREA IS ALREADY FOR PUBLIC USE.

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TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FROM: JERRY BIRCH, 2907 W. 35TH AVENUE, ANCHORAGE, 99503,
248-7016(HM), 272-0601(WK)

RE: SB 35, NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35. IT CREATES A NEW SYSTEM, SINCE THERE IS NO
LEGISLATIVE GUIDANCE FOR PUBLIC USE ARE. CREATION OF NEW SYSTEMS
COSTS LOTS OF TAX PAYER MONEY AT A TIME OF FALLING TAX REVENUE.
MUCH OF THE LAND IS NOT EVEN TA'D TO THE STATE.

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TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FR: BRENDA THEYERS-WILSON
BOX 389
KODIAK, AK. 99615
HM: 486-6432 WK: 486-4659

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA. I BELIEVE SINCE PROTECTION OF THE FISH AND WILDLIFE POPULATIONS AND HABITAT ARE OF PRIMARY CONCERN THAT THE AREA SHOULD BE PROTECTED AS A STATE WILDLIFE REFUGE AND MANAGED BY ADFG.

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TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FROM: MR. JAMES A. WILLIAMS
P.O. BOX 101260
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99510
HOME NO.: 561-3127

RE: SB 35 - NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

SB 35 REGARDING NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA IS AGAINST THE PUBLIC INTEREST. I URGE IT'S DEFEAT. IT GOVERS LAND ALREADY ADEQUATELY PROTECTED. IT WILL COST MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT. PLEASE WORK AGAINST SB 35.

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TO: ALL SENATORS

FROM: CHUCK HAWLEY
8000 DOWN HILL CIRCL
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99516 (H) 346-1855

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA

THE NELCHINA LEGISLATION IS DUPLICATIVE CONTROL. FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES ARE PROTECTED, ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS ARE REGULATED RECREATION IS ALREADY AVAILABLE AND A MANAGEMENT PLAN HAS BEEN DEVELOPED UNDER THE SUSITNA AREA PLAN. TO HOLD THE LINE ON BUDGET DON'T CREATE NEW MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS. THIS IS COSTLY AND UNSOUND LEGISLATION.

FROM: DAVID MOORE
13361 SEACLOUD CIRCLE
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99516 (W) 563-3686

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I AM OPPOSE TO SB 35-NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA. IT COVERS 2.3 MILLION ACRES ALREADY MANAGED BY EXISTING LAW AND ADDRESSES NON-TA'D LAND. THE RESULTANT MANAGEMENT PLAN WILL COST MORE THAN \$1 MILLION TO IMPLEMENT. IT IS INAPPROPRIATE TO CONSIDER SUCH AN EXPENDITURE AT A TIME OF DECLINING REVENUES.

FROM: ROY MCMICHAEL
2200 ARLINGTON
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99503 PHONE: 277-5898

RE: SB 35-RECREATION AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35. IT COVERS 2.3 MILLION ACRES ALREADY MANAGED BY EXISTING LAW AND ADDRESSES T.A.'B LAND. THE RESULT MANAGEMENT PLAN WILL COST MORE THAN ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO IMPETENT. IT IS INAPPROPRIATE TO CONSIDER SUCH AN EXPENDATURE AT A TIME OF DECLINING REVENUE. .

FROM: CAREY COSSABOOM
11960 SUNCREST DRIVE
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99515 (H) 349-2245

RE: SB 35 - NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I OPPOSE SB 35. WILDLIFE IS ALREADY MANAGED THERE BY EXISTING LAW, RECREATION ALEADY EXIST AND IT ADDRESSES NON TA'D LAND. THE RESULTANT MANAGEMENT PLAN WILL COST MORE THAN 1 MILLION DOLLARS TO IMPLEMENT. IT IS A WASTEFUL MEASURE AT THIS TIME.

FROM: LEO MARK ANTHONY
2020 LAKE OTIS PARKWAY
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99508 PHONE: 279-4702

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

PLEASE OPPOSE SB 35. NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA IS PRESENTLY MULTIPLE USE. EXISTING LAWS ADEQUATELY PROTECT FISH AND GAME. MULTIPLE USE IS MAXIMUM USE BY THE PUBLIC.

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TO: ALL LEGISLATORS

FROM: MIKE REID, 6800 WEINER, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99502,
243-2217

SUBJECT: SB 35, NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

I AM OPPOSED TO SB 35. THE EXCITING LAND IN SB 35 AT : NOW
CURRENTLY BEING USED FOR RECRATIONAL USE. WHY LOCK THE LAND AND
HOLD OUT THE MINERS.

FROM: DAVID GUNNIF
8108 BRIARWOOD APT. C
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99502 PHONE: 349-6217 HM.

RE: SB 35- NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I AM OPPOSED TO THIS BILL.

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* SUBJECT: FOM *
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TO: ALL SENATORS

ESPECIALLY SENATORS KERTTULA AND V. FISCHER

FROM: BARBARA TANNER
6112 PETERSBURG STREET
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99507 PHONE: 562-4005 WK.

RE: SB 35- NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

PLEASE DO NOT PERMIT THE PASSAGE OF THIS BILL. AS FAR AS I AM
CONCERNED THIS BILL IS SIMILIAR TO THE D-2 LEGISLATION AND I AM
OPPOSED TO THE LOCKING UP OF OUR ALASKA LANDS FOR OUR USES.

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF LAND & WATER MANAGEMENT

cc: Kie Campbell
(Sen. Seung)

TO:

Ned Farquhar
Special Assistant

DATE:

March 6, 1985.

FILE NO:

505.8

TELEPHONE NO:

265 4442

FROM:

Chris Beck *CB*
Resource Manager I

SUBJECT:

Nelchina Boundary
Issues

I looked over the revised legal descriptions for the proposed Nelchina Public Use Area and have the comments outlined below. These should be taken only as the views of R.A.S.; because of the tight timing the planning team has not reviewed this material.

1. There are a number of places where the Kerttula/ADF&G boundaries are slightly different than what was agreed to in the Public Review Draft of the Susitna area plan. With one exception, I do not think any of these discrepancies are significant and therefore recommend no amendments to "correct" the boundaries. These variations in the boundaries are for the most part limited to parcels of a section or two in size that have moved either in or out of the proposed area. (Notes on these discrepancies are presented on the attached set of legals.)

2. The Kerttula boundaries are significantly different from the SAP boundaries in the northwest corner of the proposed area (see attached map). In this area, SAP follows the southern boundaries of a block of native selected land while the Kerttula boundaries go north all the way to the Big Susitna river, picking up the Fog and Stephan lakes areas. I recommend revising the boundaries to follow the SAP for the following reasons:

- a. These are areas that in large part are probably going to be in native ownership
- b. These areas will be the possible scene of dam and road construction, work camps, recreational development and other activities associated with the proposed Su Hydro project. These actions should not be complicated by the restrictions associated with Nelchina.
- c. The public, including BLM and various native corporations has reviewed the boundaries proposed in the SAP but not those proposed in the Kerttula bill.

Portions of the attached legals affected by this issue are indicated with stars.

3. While thinking about item number "2" above it crossed my mind that a portion of the reservoir behind the proposed Watana dam site would extend into the Nelchina area even with the smaller boundaries proposed in SAP. The affected area extends from approximately Watana Ck. to the Kosina River. (See same map as referenced earlier.) I'd guess this is not a problem but to be sure an amendment should perhaps be added such as the following: "The creation of the Nelchina Public Use Area will not be construed to either add to or reduce state efforts to minimize the possible impacts of the proposed Susitna Hydroelectric project on fish and wildlife habitat or opportunities for public recreation."



NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA OUTSIDE OF CENTRAL CARIBOU CALVING AREA

(1) Township 21 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,

Section 1

Section 3, W1/2

Sections 4 - 9

Section 11, E1/2

Section 12 - 13

Section 14, E1/2

Sections 16 - 20

Section 23, E1/2

Sections 24 - 27

Section 30;

(2) Township 21 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 1 - 26

Sections 29 - 30

Section 33, S1/2

Section 34, S1/2

Sections 35 - 36;

Not included in SAP

(3) Township 21 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian;

(4) Township 21 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian;

(5) Township 21 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian;

(6) Township 22 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 1 - 22

Sections 24 - 25

Sections 27 - 34

Section 36;

*bottom tier of secs
(secs 31-36) not included
in SAP in any of these
townships*

- (7) Township 22 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian;
- (8) Township 22 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian;
- (9) Township 22 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian;
- (10) Township 22 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian;
- (11) Township 22 North, Range 11 East, Seward Meridian;
- (12) Township 22 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 1 - 24
Sections 27 - 34;
- (13) Township 23 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian;
- (14) Township 23 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian;
- (15) Township 23 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian,
Section 7
Sections 13 - 36;
- (16) Township 23 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 15 - 36;
- (17) Township 23 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 1 - 2
Sections 10 - 16
Sections 21 - 36;
- (18) Township 23 North, Range 11 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 5 - 36;
- (19) Township 23 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 1 - 5
Sections 7 - 36;
- (20) Township 24 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian;
- (21) Township 24 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,

*SECS 25, 26, 35, 36
dropped by ADF&G*

Sections 2 - 11

Sections 14 - 23

Sections 26 - 36;

(22) Township 24 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 24 - 25

Sections 32 - 36;

(23) Township 25 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian;

(24) Township 25 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian;

(25) Township 25 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian;

(26) Township 25 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 3 - 10

secs 2, 11 included in general area in SAP

Sections 14 - 23

Sections 26 - 35;

← sec 35 included in calving area in SAP

(27) Township 26 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian;

(28) Township 26 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian;

(29) Township 26 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian;

(30) Township 26 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian;

(31) Township 26 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 18 - 19

Sections 29 - 34;

— Section 35 included in general area in SAP

(32) Township 27 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian;

(33) Township 27 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian;

(34) Township 27 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian;

(35) Township 27 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 4 - 10

Sections 14 - 36;

(36) Township 28 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian;

(37) Township 28 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian;

(38) Township 28 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian;

(39) Township 28 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,

Section 7

Sections 18 - 20

Sections 29 - 32;

* (40) Township 29 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 5, 8 excluded in SAP*

(41) Township 29 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian;

(42) Township 29 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian;

Sections 1 - 12

Sections 14 - 22

Sections 27 - 35;

(43) Township 29 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 1 - 2

Sections 10 - 15

Sections 22 - 27

Sections 35 - 36;

* (44) Township 30 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 1-22, 28-32 ex in SAP*

(45) Township 30 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 1-9 excluded in SAP*

(46) Township 30 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 5, 6 excluded in SAP*

(47) Township 30 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,

Sections 1 - 12

Sections 15 - 19

Sections 30, 31

~~Section 31~~

sections 17, 19, 30 included in calving area in SAP.

(48) Township 30 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,
Sections 4 - 7;

(49) That portion of Township 31 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River; *- excluded in SAP*

(50) That portion of Township 31 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River; *- Excluded in SAP*

(51) Township 31 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 1-24, 26-34
excluded in SAP*

(52) Township 31 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian; *- sections 1-8, 17, 18 exclude
in SAP*

(53) Township 31 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian, *- sections SAP is unclear
on this area. Plan excludes sections 2-6 and 11, 12 except for land adjacent to the river*
These portions of Sections 2 - 4 and Sections 11 - 12 lying south of the
Susitna River, and

Sections 5 - 10

Sections 15 - 21

Sections 28 - 33;

*The plan includes sections 7-10
15-21, 28-33*

(54) That portion of Township 32 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River;

(55) That portion of Township 32 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River;

(56) That portion of Township 32 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River;

(57) That portion of Township 32 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian,
lying south of the Susitna River;

*exclud
in SAP*

(58) Township 3 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian,
Sections 1 - 30

Sections 33 - 34;

(59) Township 3 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian;

*plan follows
boundary of USGS
1:250,000 quad in
this area; other
boundaries appear
to be more
variable*

(60) Township 3 North, Range 11 West, Copper River Meridian;

(61) Township 4 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian, all sections except for portions of sections 20 and 29 described as John Lake Subdivision (ASLS-82-190) in the Spring 1983 State Land Disposal Brochure (Page 14);

(62) Township 4 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian;

(63) Township 4 North, Range 11 West, Copper River Meridian;

(64) Township 5 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian;

(65) Township 5 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian,

Sections 1 - 4

Sections 9 - 16

Sections 19 - 36;

Sections 8, 17 are in general area in SMP

(66) Township 6 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian;

(67) Township 6 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian,

Sections 1 - 3

Sections 10 - 15

Sections 22 - 27

Sections 34 - 36;

(68) Township 7 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian;

(69) Township 7 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian,

Sections 1 - 3

Sections 10 - 15

Sections 22 - 27

Sections 34 - 36;

Section 33 is in general area in SMP

(70) Township 8 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian;

(71) Township 8 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian,

Sections 1 - 3

Sections 10 - 15

Sections 22 - 27

Sections 34 - 36;

*Sections 22 and 27 are in core area in SAP
- section 33 is in general area in SAP*

★★ (72) That portion of Township 9 North, Range 9 West Copper Meridian lying southwest of the Tyone River;

(73) Township 9 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian,

Sections 1 - 4

Sections 9 - 16

Sections 23 - 26

Sections 35 - 36

Sections 25 and 35 are in core area in SAP

(74) That portion of Township 10 North, Range 9 West, Copper River Meridian, lying southwest of the Tyone River;

(75) Township 10 North, Range 10 West, Copper River Meridian; That portion of Sections 12 and 13 South of the Tyone River, and

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Sections 20 - 36

21-28

33-36

because this township ~~starts~~ hits up against the eastern edge of the S.M. there are no sections 19-20, or 29-32. I don't know what is standard procedure in this situation, but what you've done here is different from how you handled similar situation in, for example T9N, R10W. Not an earthshaker either way...

- (46) Township 29 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian;
- (47) Township 29 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian;
- (48) Township 29 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian;
- (49) Township 29 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian;
- (50) That portion of Township 29 North, Range 11 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna River;
- (51) Township 29 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian, Sections 3-9, 16-21, 28-34; *(South bank implied?)* *intersect to extend river etc*
- (52) Township 30 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian, Sections 13, 14, 20-29, 32-36; *(secs 17, 19, 30 dropped by ADF #6)*
- (53) Township 30 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian, Sections 1-3, 8-36;
- (54) Township 30 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian;
- (55) That portion of Township 30 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian, lying southeast of the Susitna River;
- (56) That portion of Township 30 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna River;
- (57) That portion of Township 30 North, Range 11 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna River;
- (58) That portion of Township 30 North, Range 12 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna and Tyone Rivers;
- (59) Township 31 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian, Sections 13, 14, 22-27, 34-36;
- (60) That portion of Township 31 North, Range 8 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna River;
- (61) That portion of Township 31 North, Range 9 East, Seward Meridian, lying south of the Susitna River;
- (62) Township 31 North, Range 10 East, Seward Meridian, that portion of Section 31 lying southeast of the Susitna River.

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646 West 21st Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99503
February 21, 1985

Representative Roger Jenkins
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Juneau, Alaska 99811-9974

Representative Max Gruenburg, Jr.
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Dear Representatives:

As a resident of District 11, I am writing in support of House Bill 93 which would establish a state recreational river system. The rivers of Alaska belong to its citizens and the use of Alaska scenic rivers should not be degraded by isolated development benefiting only a few individuals. An example of such development has occurred along the Resurrection Trail. I was astonished to hike the first several miles past mining camps, beat up mobile homes, shacks, bulldozed piles of tailings and other miscellaneous equipment. Protection should be afforded Alaska scenic rivers before isolated development occurs thereby creating vested interests which are extremely difficult to remove at a later date.

Included in the scenic river system should be the little Susitna River which receives heavy recreational use, particularly by canoeists entering the Nancy Lakes canoe trail system. This river is in need of immediate protection. Other rivers which should be included are Alexander Creek, Lake Creek, Deshka, the Talachulitna and Talkeetna Rivers. These rivers are all excellent fishing and float trip rivers.

I also strongly support Senate Bill 35 which would designate 2.3 million acres as the Nelchina Public Use Area. The primary purpose of this designation should be to protect the range of the Nelchina caribou herd, the most accessible caribou herd in

Representative Roger Jenkins and
Representative Max Gruenburg, Jr.
February 21, 1985
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Alaska. This area should be managed by the Fish and Game Department for its wildlife values.

I have hiked and skied in areas that would be included in this public use area and believe that the boundaries should be brought down to the Glenn Highway--where most people enter this area. The extension of the boundaries to the Glenn Highway would add only a small additional amount of land to the public use area but would dramatically increase its value to the citizens of the state. It would afford access to spectacularly scenic areas with extensive wildlife populations that would otherwise be accessible only to the small minority of individuals who can afford to fly in.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Neil T. O'Donnell".

Neil T. O'Donnell

NTO:jm
cc: Jay Kerttula
Arliss Sturgulewski
Adelheid Herrman
Dick Schultz

Senator Sturgulewski - please pass SB35
out of your committee and give favorable
treatment to HB 93; HB 44.

thank you!

J. Stalls

March 7, 1985

Rep. Rick Vehling

Pouch V

Juneau, AK 99811

MAR 11 1985

Dear Representative Vehling!

I am writing you today on behalf of several land use designation bills which I hope you will support, or better yet, co-sponsor.

S.B. 35 would establish a 2.3 million acre Nelchina Public Use Area. Because of this area's close proximity to the Anchorage area, it is vital that it be protected for its fish, wildlife; recreation values. Protection of fish and wildlife habitat should be the primary use of this area and the legislation should say so. I would also urge you to support the Department of Fish and Game, not DNR, as having lead management authority over this area. A small boundary adjustment to the proposed area as described in SB 35 is needed to guarantee access. The boundary should be dropped down to the Glenn Highway, as it was with the Matanuska Moose Range. Because it is incompatible with maintaining high quality fish and wildlife habitat, no mining or logging should be allowed in this area.

HB 93 would establish a state Recreational Rivers system and would designate the Little Susitna River as the first river in the system. This is an administration bill and, even though you are a Republican, I hope you will actively support it. In addition to the Little Susitna, the Susitna Area plan recommends Alexander and Lake Creeks and the Krotu-Moose (Desh Talachulitna and Talkeetna Rivers for designation. HB 93 should be expanded to include these 5 additional rivers. To keep the rivers and their corridors in a pristine condition, I urge you support the mining exclusion. In addition, gravel extraction and logging should also be prohibited for their obvious negative impact on fish, wildlife & recreational opportunities.

HB 44 would designate an additional 11 Marine Parks in Southeast Alaska. As a kayaker, I am extremely interested in seeing the Marine Park system expanded. Southeast is being hit especially hard by the Forest Service and they are putting log transfer sites in many of the bays & coves in Southeast. The Marine Park system sets up a series of protected anchorages where no log transfer sites can be located.

I urge you to strongly work for passage of these three important bills.

Sincerely,



Jim Stratton 1633 W. 15th #2 Anch. 99501

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IN ANCHORAGE MESSAGE #3

TO SPEAK:

8. JANE GRAY *OK*

9. MICHAEL PERYAM/AFTA *OK*

10. DON B. SKIDMORE/FOUNDATION FOR WILD SHEEP *OK*

11. JEFF BOHMAN *OK*

12. JIM JINKS *OK*

TO OBSERVE:

6. MIKE ABBOTT/RDC

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SEN RES TC SB 35 NELCHINA REC. AREA

TO: BILL
FROM: GLENNALLEN

EMAIL MESSAGE NO. 2.

TO TESTIFY: GLENNALLEN

3. DON HORRELL o/c REF. SELF
4. LARRY LAU d/c REF. AHTNA NATIVE CORP.
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IN ANCHORAGE

MESSAGE #1

TO SPEAK:

1. ALFRED M. LEE *OK*
2. JIM HEMMING *OK*
3. STANLEY H. EIDE *OK*
4. DALE BONDURANT/SPORTSMAN'S GAME PRESERVATION ASS. *OK*
5. DAVE CLINE *OK Audubon*
6. CLIFF EAMES/AK. CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENT *OK*
7. *Richard J. Hensel*

TO OBSERVE:

1. LILLIAN M. MAYER
2. STEPHEN MAYER
3. WILLAM K BARTLETT
4. MIKE CARVEY
5. WILL MORRIS

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MAT-SU HAS THREE OTHER PARTICIPANTS WHO WISH TO TESTIFY. WHEN MAT-SU WAS CALLED ON EARLIER THESE THREE WERE NOT GIVEN THE CHANCE TO TESTIFY. THEIR NAMES ARE: WAYNE WOODS, DEWIGHT BATT, AND TOM SHANKSTER. THANK YOU

TERESA, MODERATOR AT MAT-SU

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IN ANCHORAGE

MESSAGE #2

TO SPEAK:

7. RICHARD J. HENSEL *OK*

PLEASE NOTE THAT STANLEY EIDE IS HERE TO REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT AND IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

ALSO, WE ARE EXPECTING MR. JINKS IN THE OFFICE SOON. HE WILL WISH TO TESTIFY.

MAR 19 1985

Darrell Farman
12800 Ridgewood Rd.
Anchorage, Alaska 99516

March 14, 1985

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski
Alaska State legislature
Pouch V (MS3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Sturgulewski:

I am writing this letter in support of SSSB 35, the bill providing wildlife habitat protection for the Nelchina caribou herd, especially their calving grounds. Compatible uses of the wildlife should be maintained as well as other recreational activities that do not degrade the habitat.

I urge that land disposal, livestock, or intensive agriculture projects be excluded by the bill. Mining could be allowed as long as the mining activity does not conflict with the calving grounds.

Further, the area should be retained at 2.3 million acres. The management plan should be written by DNR but the plan should require concurrence of ADF&G.

This wildlife area is vitally important to the Nelchina caribou herd as well as other species. It absorbs tremendous pressure from the surrounding population centers such as Anchorage and Fairbanks due to access via road and airplane.

It is critical that this area be preserved to maintain the existing wildlife uses and I urge you to support passage of SSSB 35.

Sincerely,


Darrell Farman

Senate Resources - Sen. Stungulewski

March 6, 1986

Personal testimony concerning Senate Bill 35, relating to an act creating the Nelchina Public Use Area, which was submitted by Senators J. Kerttula and V. Fischer.

I wish to support the establishment of this Use (Recreation) Area. It is an important, however, that this area be maintained for multiple use by the citizens of the State of Alaska. I do strongly favor the bill as it was submitted on January 14, 1985, since it specifically lists "mineral entry" under the heading "Purpose". The wording of the version dated 1/31/85, is more appropriate for a park, and less subject to multiple use.

Despite the presence of numerous wildlife species with in the approximately 2,500,000 acres of the area, the principal large game species for which this area is critical is caribou. A primary caribou calving area lies within the boundaries of the Use Area. While I favor multiple use, including mine activity, the legislation should indicate that, within areas which have been designated by the Department of Fish & Game to be calving areas, no activity will be permitted which interferes with caribou reproduction during the calving season.

The bill should also address problems of access and transportation. Because of the size of the area, and considering its history of public use, tradition means of transportation, including aircraft and motorized surface conveyances should also be permitted for legitimate use activities within the area.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views on this bill.



Robt. H. Parkerson (phone: 745-4358)
Star Rte. B, Box 7440
Palmer, Alaska 99645

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TO: SEN. STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON, SACKETT, BENNETT,
AND RAY

FROM: NANCY TANKERSLEY
13021 MOUNTAIN PLACE
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99516 (H) 345-6997

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

AS A WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST I SUPPORT SB 35 TO PROTECT THE NELCHINA
CARIBOU CALFING GROUNDS FROM INCOMPATIBLE LAND USES, SUCH AS LAND
DISPOSALS. PLEASE GIVE IT YOUR SUPPORT.

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TO: SEN. HALFORD, KELLY, KERTTULA AND STURGULEWSKI

REP. FURNANCE, HERRMANN, PIGNALBERI AND SHULTZ

FROM: ELLEN VANDE VISSSE, 6313 E. 32ND, #4, ANCHORAGE, 99504,
333-8712(SAME)

RE: NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I STRONGLY SUPPORT SB 35 TO DESIGNATE THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE
AREA. PLEASE PROTECT ALL 2.3 MILLION ACRES FOR CARIBOU, FISH,
AND OTHER WILDLIFE HABITAT. GIVE ADFG MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY.
CAREFULLY REGULATE MINING TO PROTECT VALUABLE RENEWABLE
RESOURCES. PLEASE EXTEND THE BOUNDARIES DOWN TO THE GLENN
HIGHWAY SO WE HAVE ACCESS TO ENJOY.

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TO: SENATOR STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON, ZHAROFF,
HALFORD, COGHILL AND VIC FISCHER

FROM: STERLING MILLER, 3117 E. 84TH, ANCHORAGE, 99507,
349-4386(HM), 267-2203(WK)

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF A STRONGLY PROTECTED NELCHILA PUBLIC USE
AREA.

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TO: SENATOR STURGULEWSKI
FROM: TODD MINER
— P.O. BOX 103657 —
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99510 (H) 562-4268 (W) 688-9958

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

I SUPPORT SB 35 AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE AREA EXTENDED TO GLEN HIGHWAY. I TEACH AT ANCHORAGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND WE USE THIS AREA HEAVILY FOR OUTDOOR EDUCATION.

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***** PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE *****

TO: REP.
SEN. STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, V.FISCHER, COGHILL,
ELIASON, HALFORD, ZHAROFF

FROM: SHELDON S. SPRECKER
BOX 283
GLENNALLEN, AK 99588
H-822-3345, W-822-3405

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT FOR SB 35. THANK YOU.

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TO: SENATORS FAIKS AND STURGULEWSKI

REPRESENTATIVES PETTYJOHN AND RIEGER

FROM: MARK NEWMAN, 9520 KANTON LOOP, ANCHORAGE, AK 99515,
344-6244(H), 745-4813(W)

SUBJECT: NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

PLEASE SUPPORT SB 35, CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA ON
2.3 MILLION ACRES AND HB 93 CREATING RECREATIONAL RIVER SYSTEM.
WITH THE BOOMING POPULATION, PUBLIC RECREATIONAL USE OF LAND
SHOULD HOLD A HIGH PRIORITY. PRIVATE LAND DISPOSALS BENEFIT A
RELATIVE FEW.

THANKS YOU.

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SUSITNA AREA PLAN

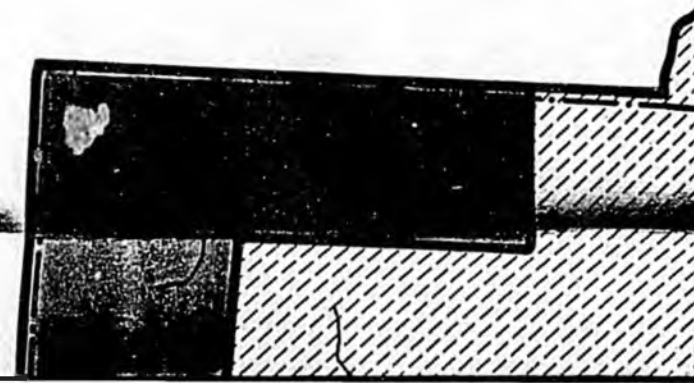
PRIMARY SURFACE LAND USE DESIGNATIONS

This map shows generalized primary land use designations. See Chapter 2 for management guidelines that apply to all Subregions and the charts and text in Chapter 3 for details of primary designations as well as secondary designations (e.g., grazing, remote cabins).

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LAND SALE AREAS

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TO: REP. SHULTZ
SEN. COGHILL, STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON,
FISCHER, V., HALFORD, ZHAROFF

FROM: BARBARA BUTLER
PAXSON LODGE
PAXSON, ALASKA 99737

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

THE PAXSON ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE DEPT. OF FISH AND GAME ARE
ALL UNANIMOUSLY IN SUPPORT OF SB 35.

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TO: THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
SENATORS STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON,
ZHAROFF, HALFORD, COGHILL, V. FISCHER

SENATORS BENNETT, KERTTULA, RODEY

FROM: MARY JABLONSKI
13730 ARNE ERICKSON
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99515
PHONE 345-7628 HM

RE: SSSB 35

"NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA" URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF SSSB
35 WITH THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS INTACT. FIRST,
MAINTAIN ANCHORAGE 2.3 MILLION. SECOND, REQUIRE
CONCURRENTS' BY THE FISH AND GAME ON MANAGEMENT PLAN.
AND THIRD, PROVIDE FOR MINING UNLESS IT WOULD BE
DESTRUCTIVE TO CARIBOU CALVING AREAS.

Yenta-Suotina

Introduced: 2/4/85
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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY COTTEN

2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 142

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 * Section 1. AS 41.21 is amended by adding new sections to read:

9 ARTICLE 7A. PUBLIC USE AREAS.

10 Sec. 41.21.876. PURPOSE. The purpose of AS 41.21.876 - 41.21.-
11 880 is to establish the area described in AS 41.21.880 as the Kroto-
12 Deshka Public Use Area. The Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area is estab-
13 lished to

14 (1) protect and maintain fish and wildlife habitat and
15 populations, waterfowl nesting areas, and other important habitats for
16 moose, bear and other furbearers;

17 (2) perpetuate public uses of fish and wildlife and their
18 habitat including fishing, hunting, trapping, viewing, photography,
19 and general public recreation in a high quality environment;

20 (3) allow other public uses of the area when compatible
21 with the purposes specified in (1) and (2) of this section.

22 Sec. 41.21.878. MANAGEMENT. (a) Management of the surface and
23 subsurface estate of the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area is the respon-
24 sibility of the Department of Natural Resources. After adequate
25 public hearings the Department of Natural Resources shall develop and
26 adopt and may revise a management plan for the Kroto-Deshka Public Use
27 Area with the concurrence of the Department of Fish and Game.

28 (b) The Department of Fish and Game is responsible for the
29 management of fish and game resources and public use of fish and

1 wildlife in the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area consistent with the
2 purposes of AS 16.20.400.

3 (c) The Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area is open to mineral leasing
4 under AS 38.05.135 - 38.05.184 if the commissioner of natural re-
5 sources determines that mineral leasing is not inconsistent with the
6 purposes specified in AS 41.21.876. Each valid existing mining lease
7 and multiple land use permit remains valid and shall continue in full
8 force and effect according to its terms.

9 (d) The Department of Natural Resources may issue surface leases
10 under AS 38.05.070 - 38.05.105 for a term not to exceed five years
11 within the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area. The Department of Natural
12 Resources may not sell land under AS 38.05.045 - 38.05.069 within the
13 Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area and the land within the Kroto-Deshka
14 Public Use Area is closed to mineral entry under AS 38.05.185 - 38.-
15 05.275.

16 (e) The state may not acquire by eminent domain privately owned
17 land within or abutting state-owned land described in AS 41.21.880 but
18 may acquire privately owned land by purchase, exchange, or otherwise
19 for inclusion in the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area.

20 (f) The Department of Natural Resources may adopt regulations to
21 implement the provisions of AS 41.21.876 - 41.21.880.

22 Sec. 41.21.880. KROTO-DESHKA PUBLIC USE AREA ESTABLISHED. The
23 state-owned land and water and all that acquired in the future by the
24 state, lying within the boundaries described in this section, are
25 designated as the Kroto-Deshka Public Use Area, are reserved from all
26 uses incompatible with their primary function as public use lands, and
27 are assigned to the Department of Natural Resources for control,
28 development, and maintenance:

29 Township 19 North, Range 6 West, Seward Meridian

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| 1 | Section 2 W1/2 |
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| 4 | Section 14 |
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| 6 | Section 22 E1/2 |
| 7 | Section 23 |
| 8 | Section 26 |
| 9 | Section 27 E1/2 |
| 10 | Section 34 E1/2 |
| 11 | Section 35 |
| 12 | Township 20 North, Range 6 West, Seward Meridian |
| 13 | Section 4 |
| 14 | Section 5 E1/2 |
| 15 | Section 8 E1/2 |
| 16 | Section 9 |
| 17 | Section 15 W1/2 |
| 18 | Section 16 |
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1 Section 28
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3 Section 32 E1/2
4 Section 33
5 Township 22 North, Range 6 West, Seward Meridian
6 Section 4 W1/2, W1/2E1/2
7 Section 5 W1/2
8 Sections 6 - 7
9 Section 8 W1/2
10 Section 9
11 Section 16 W1/2, W1/2E1/2
12 Sections 17 - 18
13 Sections 20 - 21
14 Section 27 W1/2
15 Section 28
16 Section 29 NE1/4
17 Section 33 E1/2
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P.O. Box 520149
Big Lake AK 99652
February 27, 1985

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski
Pouch V
Juneau AK 99811

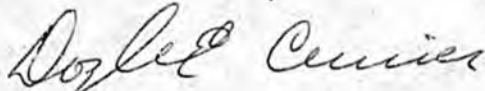
Re: Senate Bill #35

Dear Senator:

I am writing in regards to Senate Bill #35 "An Act Creating the Nelchina Public Use Area".

Being a long time Alaskan I have watched our game populations decline. We have given away thousands of acres without a thought to our fish and game resources. The bill is a positive step for proper management and is a must if the Nelchina Caribou herd is to survive. Infact the two million plus acres is a very minimum for any kind of a healthy population.

Thank you for your considerations,



Doyle E. Currier

Senator Kertulla asked me
to send you this letter.

M.F.

JAN 24 1985

The Honorable Jelmar Kertulla
State Senator
Pouch V
Juneau AK

Re: Legislative Protection of Nelchina Caribou
Herd Calving Area

Dear Jay:

I have driven up to the Eureka area and talked to the locals there. Every one I talked to was in favor of this. I also talked to hunters in Anchorage whom I know that use this area a lot, and they were also in favor of it. Everybody agreed that the approximately 2.3 million acres purposed for this was appropriate. However, everyone was adamant on being able to use this land for hunting and fishing. After doing a little research, I find that in order to be sure of this it would have to be designated Public Use Lands, ~~not Recreational Lands~~.

Jay, I really feel that this would be very popular with most of the people. I would like to see it become a reality myself.

Sincerely,

Doyle E. Currier
Doyle E. Currier

P.S. Hope you have received our
Lake C.V. Clean up pkg. need all the
help we can get. It's a very worthwhile
& popular project.

Doyle



FEB 7 1985
Telegram

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POM ANCHORAGE ALASKA 15 02-05 1912 AST

PMS

SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

POUCH V

JUNEAU AK 99811

I SUPPORT SSS FOR SB35 AND URGE PASSAGE OF THIS BILL.

ROBERTA BLUHER

4006 ARKANSAS

ANCHORAGE AK 99503

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Telegram

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POM ANCHORAGE ALASKA 15 02-05 1912 AST

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ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

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POUCH V

JUNEAU AK 99811

I SUPPORT SSS FOR SB35. URGE PASSAGE AM WILLING
TO HELP WITH ANY PROPOSED ALTERATION.

STERLING EIDE

4006 ARKANSAS

ANCHORAGE AK 99503

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TO: SENATORS FAHRENKAMP, VIC FISCHER, HALFORD, STURGULEWSKI

FROM: TIM STEVENS
12830 HUFFMAN CIRCLE
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99516 (PH) 345-3845

SUBJ: SSSB35

I SUPPORT THE SUBSTITUTE BILL. IT SHOULD BE 2.3 MILLION ACRES,
FOR ANY CHANGES IN THE AREA MUST HAVE CONCURRENCE OF DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND GAME. ADDITIONAL MINING SHOULD BE ALLOWED ONLY WHEN
COMPATIBLE WITH THE FISH AND GAME RESOURCES.

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***** PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE *****

TO: REP. SHULTZ
SEN. COGHILL, FAHRENKAMP, V. FISCHER, STURGULEWSKI

FROM: PAUL WEIR
GLENNALLEN
AK 99588
HOME PHONE 822-3902

RE: SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

FEB 14 1985

I SUPPORT SB 35. I DON'T WANT THEM CLOSING OUT MINING AND PROSPECTING VENTURES.

FEB. 14 1985

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***** PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE *****

TO: REP. SHULTZ
 SEN. COGHILL, FAHRENKAMP, V. FISCHER, STURGOLEWSKI

FROM: NATHAN WOODCOCK
 SR. BOX 112
 COPPER CENTER, AK 99573
 HOME PHONE - 822-3339

RE: SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I AM IN SUPPORT OF CREATING NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA.

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***** PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE *****

TO: REP. SHULTZ
SEN. COGHILL, FAHRENKAMP, V. FISCHER, STURGULEWSKI

FROM: DON AND ETHEL JOHNSON
P.O. BOX 193
COPPER CENTER, AK 99573 (CORRECTED ADDRESS)
822-3504

RE: SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I WANT TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR SB 35.

***** E O M *****

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* DELIVER TO: JFOM * * * * *

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***** PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE *****

TO: REP. SHULTZ
SEN. COGHILL, FAHRENKAMP, V. FISCHER, STURGULEWSKI

FROM: DON AND ETHEL JOHNSON
P.O. BOX 193
GLENNALLEN, AK 99588
822-3504

RE: SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I WANT TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR SB 35.

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FROM: STEVE BERG
SR BOX 115 R
COPPER CENTER, AK 99573

RE: SB 35 CREATING THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I SUPPORT SB 35.

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TO: SENATORS STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON, ZHAROFF,
HALFORD, COGHILL, V FISCHER

FROM: ART DRABECK 745-4520
SRC BOX 8338
PALMER 99645

FEB 15

RE: SB 35, NELCHINA LAND

I AM FOR SB 35, WHICH WILL PRESERVE THE CALVING GROUNDS FOR
CARIBOU. THEY RETURN TO THE SAME PLACE EVERY YEAR. I WOULD LIKE
TO REQUEST TRADITIONAL METHODS OF TRANSPORTATION CONTINUE TO BE
ALLOWED IN THIS AREA.

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TO: REP. SHULTZ
 SEN. FAHRENKAMP, FISCHER, V., STURGULEWSKI, COGHILL

FROM: MIKE LANEGAN
 P.O. BOX 28
 GLENNALLEN, ALASKA 99588
 822-5289(H) 822-3780(W)

RE: SB 35

I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER SUPPORT FOR SB 35, THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA BILL. AS PRESIDENT OF THE COPPER BASIN SPORTSMEN ASSOC. (A MEMBERSHIP OF 177) I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER SUPPORT ON BEHALF OF THIS MEMBERSHIP AS WELL.

THANK YOU.

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TO: THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
SENATORS STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON,
ZHAROFF, HALFORD, COGHILL, V. FISCHER

FROM: AL RENK
7140 CRAWFORD DR.
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99502
PHONE 243-3752 HM 562-3030 WK

RE: SB 35

PLEASE PASS SB 35 AS WRITTEN WITH NO AMENDMENTS ADDED.

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TO: SEN. STURGULEWSKI (CHMN. SENATE RESOURCES COMM.), FAIKS AND
SACKETT (CO-CHMN. SENATE FINANCE COMM.), AND ZIEGLER

FROM: E.L. YOUNG, P.O. BOX 1104, PETERSBURG, ALASKA 99933,
772-3713 HOME, 772-3801 WORK

RE: SB 35 -- NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

PLEASE SUPPORT SB 35. THIS BILL WILL PROTECT FISH AND WILDLIFE
WHILE PERMITTING THE USE OF MINERALS AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES.
THE NELCHINA CARIBOU HERD IS IMPORTANT TO MANY ALASKANS, AND THIS
BILL PROTECTS ITS HABITAT.

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TO: SENATORS FAHRENKAMP, V. FISCHER, STURGULEWSKI
REPRESENTATIVE UEHLING

FROM: JIM RENK
100 E. INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RD.
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99502
PHONE 243-3752 HM 562-2505 WK

RE: SSSB 35

I AM FOR SSSB 35 AS WRITTEN FOR NELCHINA PUBLIC USE
AREA. I FEEL THIS IS BEST FOR BOTH GAME MANAGEMENT AND
ALL ALASKAN LAND USAGE.

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TO: THE SENATE RESOURCE COMMITTEE.

SENATORS STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON,
ZHAROFF, HALFORD, COGHILL, V. FISCHER

SENATORS BENNETT, KERTTULA, RODEY

FROM: PEGGY HACKETT
3819 YOUNG STREET #2
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99508
PHONE 561-3133 HM 264-4960 WK

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF SB 35 AS LONG AS IT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS. FIRST, MAINTAIN THE ACREAGE AT 2.3 MILLION. SECOND, REQUIRE FISH AND GAME CONCURRENTS ON MANAGEMENT PLAN. AND THIRD, PROVIDE FOR MINING UNLESS IT IS DESTRUCTIVE TO CARIBOU CALVING AREAS.

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TO: SENATORS STURGULEWSKI, FAHRENKAMP, ELIASON,
ZHAROFF, HALFORD, COGHILL, V. FISCHER,
ABOOD, RODEY

FROM: MATTHEW ZENLEY
3700 OREGON
ANCHORAGE, AK. 99503
PHONE 274-0387 HOME

RE: SB 35-NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA

I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE NELCHINA PUBLIC USE AREA, WITH THESE CHANGES:

1. MAKE FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT THE PRIMARY PURPOSE
2. ADF AND G AS LEAD MANAGEMENT AGENCY
3. CLOSE IT TO FUTURE MINERAL ENTRY
4. BRING BOUNDARIES CLOSE TO GLENN HIGHWAY FOR BETTER ACCESS

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TO: SEN. SACKETT, STURGULEWSKI, ZIEGLER
FROM: REP. SUND, TAYLOR

FROM: BOB ZORICH, BOX 1311, PETERSBURG 99833, 772-3101(H),
772-772-3801(W)

RE: SB35 NELCHINA RECREATION AREA

I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SB35. I FEEL IT IS IMPORTANT TO PROTECT OUR RENEWABLE RESOURCES, LIKE THE NELCHINA CARIBOU HERD, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT TO MANY ALASKANS, AS WELL AS THE MANY OTHER WILDLIFE SPECIES OF THE AREA. I AM NOT AGAINST DEVELOPING OUR NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES, BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF RENEWABLE RESOURCES.

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HALFORD, STURGULEWSKI, ZHAROFF

FROM: AL SANDERS
BOX 79
COPPER CENTER, ALASKA 99573
822-3669(H) 822-5505(W)

RE: SB 35 NELCHINA RECREATION USE AREA

I SUPPORT SB 35 WITH AN AMENDMENT TO ALLOW FISH AND GAME SOME
MANAGERIAL AUTHORITY.

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March 11, 1985
PO Box 2176
Palmer, Alaska 99645

Senator Arliss Sturgulewski
Senate Resources Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Senator Sturgulewski,

This letter is to urge your support of SB-35, the Nelchina Public Use Area bill introduced by Senator Kerttula.

The bill proposes to ensure the long-term viability of the Nelchina caribou herd by prohibiting future state land disposals in the calving area. This generation of Alaskans needs no homesteads in the heart of the Talkeetna Mountains. On the other hand, the herd is a valuable state resource. It is the most accessible population of caribou in the state and is utilized to capacity.

I am not surprised at the support SB-35 enjoys from government sources. Among them, the Mat-Su Borough realizes that the bill precludes future problems stemming from remote settlements. Our borough has had to contend with a history of sloppy state disposal programs and is wary of more. We are trying to now provide services to a booming population. In spite of this pressure, we intend to continue providing our area's famous outdoor opportunities to others in Alaska and visitors from outside the state.

As you know, the bill is supported by a range of interests. The state Departments of Fish and Game and Natural Resources concur on the latest draft of the bill. In addition, conservation groups, such as the Alaska Center for the Environment and the Alaska Outdoors Council have actively contributed to the bill. It is gratifying to see these organizations, which in many other instances are at loggerheads, agree on the necessity of the Nelchina bill.

Sincerely,

Mike Bronson

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