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Date: 4-6-03

The Honorable Hugh "Bud" Fate,
Chair, House Resources Committee

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Sincerely,



Signature:

Tim Dougherty

Written Name:

2900 Klamath #1

Address:

Anch AK 99517

Cc.

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March 22, 2003

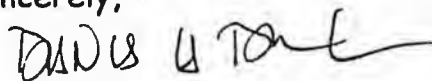
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Sincerely,

Clint H. Dubber
801 Valley St.
Anchorage AK 99504

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Yesterday I wrote a letter to my Senator, The Honorable Con Bunde. He replied via e-mail this morning saying, "Alaska's fiscal gap is a primary concern these days, and a large number of Alaskans are demanding more efficiency from their government". He also stated that "As I did with the Knowles Administration, I prefer to allow the Governor to develop his own administration. Afterwards, if there are problems that arise, we can then work for a legislative fix". I take issue with these statements for two reasons. First, Time Immemorial has proven that being proactive costs less in the long run than being reactive. Examining habitat and fish populations in Oregon and Washington, and those state's desperate and expensive attempts to fix their problems, is a modern testament to this. Second, reorganization of government in this manner is followed by the need for legislative fixes, how can that be viewed as streamlining and increasing the efficiency of said government?

*but could
wild
salmon
run*

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The Governor's office stated that Habitat Division at ADF&G has blocked too many "legitimate" projects; however close scrutiny of the specific projects listed shows those statements were at best, inaccurate, but in most cases false. Of the 2000 projects reviewed each year, less than 1% are denied. Those denials are not arbitrary or biased, but rather based on the sound science the Governor so desires, and/or the unwillingness of developers to modify their project plans to alleviate harm to fish. Our founding fathers recognized that fish are a resource as important to the state of Alaska as its mining, timber, and petroleum resources. They also understood that development of non-fish resources, while important to the state's economy, has the potential to destroy fish habitat. Consequently, they mandated one agency to oversee resource development (ADNR) and one agency to oversee the protection of fish and wildlife (ADF&G). They also gave the Commissioner of Fish and Game, a cabinet appointee, broad discretion in the implementation of statutes relating to that mandate (Title 16) so that the agency could be responsive to new scientific research, and to each project on an individual basis. EO107 transfers this broad discretion from a cabinet level position to a partially exempt Deputy Commissioner and State Forester within DNR. Both the Deputy Commissioner and the State Forester are ultimately responsible to the Commissioner of DNR, an individual who is not required to have any background in biology or ecology, and who oversees an agency with no mandate to, nor history of, protection of fish and wildlife and their habitat.


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There will be conflict between ADF&G and developers on some development projects. This is to be expected, and it cannot be overemphasized that when these disputes occur, it is because the impact on habitat is significant, either due to the level of impact or due to the importance of the habitat being affected. It is imperative that these rare disputes be settled with public input, such that both development and protection are supported by equal authority and consideration while the economic gains of a given project are weighed against the economic impact of the loss of habitat that results. This is the "check and balance" the founding fathers envisioned. Movement of authority under title 16 to DNR eliminates these checks and balances and ensures that non-fish resource development will be given an economic upper hand to fish resources. Conflict between the Deputy Commissioner and the State Forester will be resolved internally, with no public process, and the "ultimate referee" will be the Commissioner of DNR, who is commanded by law to uphold the mandate of DNR: resource development.

④ EO107 violates the Public Trust Doctrine, which is 'an affirmation of the duty of the State to protect the people's common heritage in streams, lakes, marshlands, and tidelands ...' (From *Putting the Public Trust Doctrine to Work*. 2nd Ed. *The Application of the Public Trust Doctrine to the Management of Lands, Waters, and Living Resources of the Coastal States*. June 1997) All habitat biologists attend training sessions on the Public Trust Doctrine and their role as stewards of the public trust. Although those individuals, if moved to DNR, will still be required to uphold the public trust, EO107 violates the doctrine in that the authority to protect habitat is being taken from the agency with the research, expertise, experience, and mandate to protect the public trust and moves it to an agency whose mandate is extractive resource development.

⑤ EO107, if allowed to stand, will haunt Alaska forever. Where else in this country do numerous, healthy stocks of wild salmon exist? Where else in this country does commercial fishing employ more residents than any other industry? Where else in this country does sport fishing bring in millions of tourism dollars yearly? Where else in this country do individuals subsist on fish? Where else in this country can a resident pick up a net and scoop salmon out of a stream? Where else in this country can I catch an 85 pound Chinook salmon? No where. Please keep the future of our most precious resource, fish, and those whose lives depend on fish, foremost in your mind. Their future is at stake and you have the power to save them by keeping permitting authority under Title 16 where it belongs, in the hands of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Request a joint session, and vote to reject EO107.

Thank you


Khrys Duddleston

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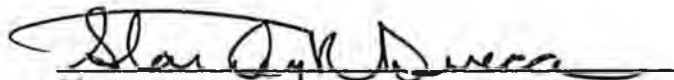
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Signature:

STANLEY R. DUNCAN

Written Name:

P.O. Box 3444

Address:

KONIAK AK. 99615

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SCOTT DUNNING
2603 SPERMARD RD
DUNNOROSE AK 99503

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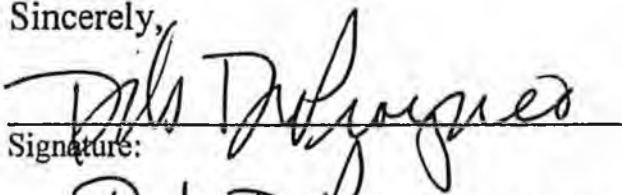
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Written Name:

3025 Westbury Dr
Address:
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Josh Eash
2010 Farmer PI #4
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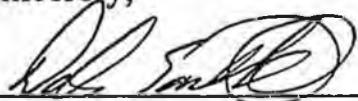
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Written Name:

Address:

201 Pamela Ct Kenai AK

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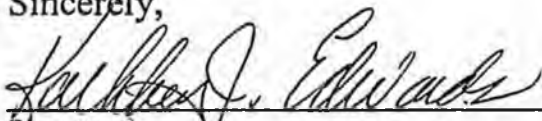
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Signature:


Written Name:

2140 Arctic Blvd.
Address:

Barrow AK 99503

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Carmen I. Elliott

Signature:

CARMEN I. ELLIOTT

Written Name:

151 Patterson St. Apt 409

Address:

Anchorage AK 99504

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PO B 92362
Anchorage AK 99509

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J.E. Ellis Jr.

P.O. Box 4497
Palmer, AK 99645

Date: 4/5/03

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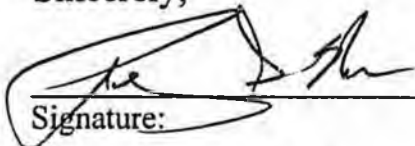
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Written Name: _____

7461 FoxRidge Way #A
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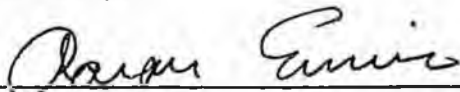
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Signature:

Aaron Ennis

Written Name:

3210 N. Bald Eagle Drive

Address:

Wasilla, AK 99654

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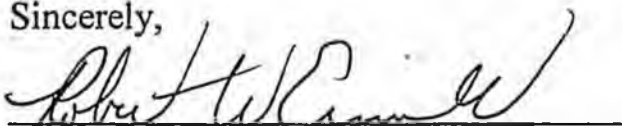
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Robert W Emerald

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Address:

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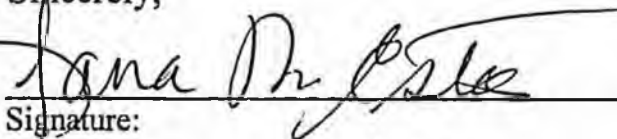
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Signature:

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Written Name:

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Address:
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Written Name:

19109 Third ST
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99577

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Elaine H. Etukook

Signature:

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Written Name:

134 W. 14th Ave #1

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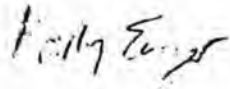
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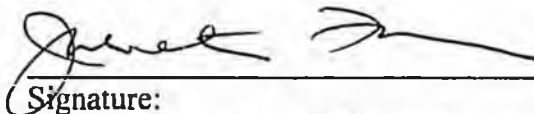
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Signature:

Julieth Fairmin
Written Name:

453 Oklahonka St #2
Address:
Anch AK 99504

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Jarah Faulkner

Sarah Falkoff

3310 Woodlawn Pk Dr.

Anchorage, AK 99517

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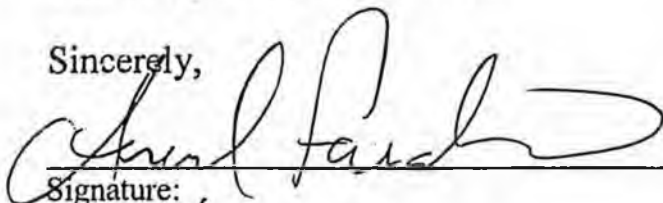
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Signature:

Arnel Faralan

Written Name:

P.O. Box 270822

Address:

Anch. Ak. 99524

Arnel P. Faralan

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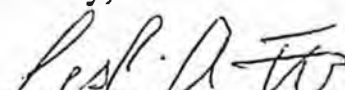
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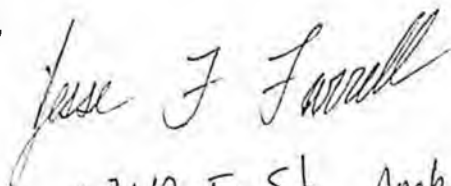
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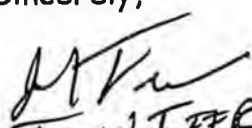
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3209 Milky Way Circle
Anch, AK 99517

Date: 4-6-03

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Frank F. Feigley
Signature:

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Written Name:

1908 Hillcrest
Address:
Anchorage 99517

FEIGLEY

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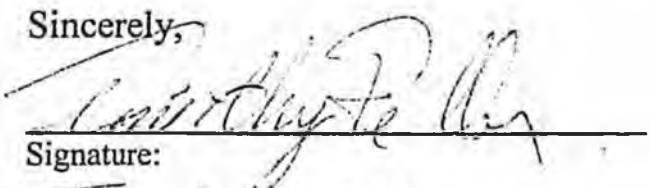
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Written Name:

536 W 13th Avenue
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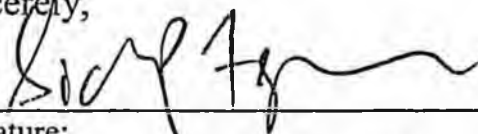
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Signature:

Sidney P. Ferguson

Written Name:

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Address:

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Signature:

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Written Name:

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March 9, 2003

Dear Representative:

I strongly oppose the transfer of Habitat from The Dept. of Fish and Game to the Dept. of Natural Resources. Fish and Game is the logical department to handle habitat of the fish and game of this state. If we do not maintain the habitat of this state towards fish and game we will lose what this state is all about. Our fishing industry, tourism and the people of Alaska will be the losers. The ideal of having the two departments is to maintain a balance between development and the land. We would have the hens in with the fox.

Just because you have a flat tire you do not tear the body off the car. You fix the flat. If there is a problem in Fish and Game. That is the job of the Commissioner to fix.

If the habitat of this state is not maintained, small business like mine will lose out. The Dept. of Fish and Game is the department best suited for that function. When five commissioners from both parties believe it should stay there. Do you not think that they may know a little more about it than the Governor.

Please vote against EO 107 in a joint session of the Legislature.


Thank you,

Delbert Carnes

MAR 17 2003

Public Testimony to the House State Affairs Committee on Executive Order 107
March 12, 2003

- My name is Mark Fink. I am here representing myself. I would note that I am employed as a habitat biologist at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.
- I urge you to disapprove EO 107; thereby retaining within ADF&G the function of conserving fish and wildlife habitat and uses of that habitat.
- To save time, I will not repeat many of the comments already stated tonight describing the importance of the functions of the Habitat Division, with which I concur.
- I support the development of our natural resources, such as oil and gas, timber, and mining. As a lifelong Alaskan, I rely on those resources for my daily living.
- I also hunt and fish, and believe the people of this state should also have an opportunity to hunt and fish or observe our abundant fish and wildlife in their natural habitats.
- The founders of this state also believed in the conservation of fish and wildlife resources, evidenced by the establishment of a department of fish and game by the first legislature.
- The Governor has stated a need to streamline permitting and has suggested that the Habitat Division is a bottleneck in the process. The facts do not support this assertion. If, however, the Governor wants to shift the balance between resource development and fish and wildlife, then the reasonable approach is to appoint a like-minded ADF&G commissioner and Habitat director that will vigorously pursue the Administrations programs.
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- I will leave you with one final thought. When I need help on political issues, I often consult someone very dear to my heart – my father, Tom Fink. I must admit, he and I have had numerous “spirited discussions” on habitat and the effects of development. But on this issue of EO 107, even my father, the very conservative Republican, Tom Fink, believes moving the permitting functions of the Habitat Division to DNR is a bad idea. Ask him for yourself.
- The legislature has the opportunity to do right by the people who elected you. I again urge you to pass a joint resolution disapproving EO 107.
- Thank-you.

Submitted by
Mark Fink 
4824 Queens Court
Anchorage, Alaska 99503
337-7933

March 22, 2003


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P.O. Box 3856

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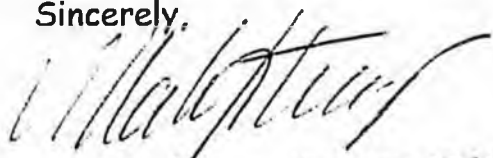
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SARASOTA FL 34231

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James Fleege



4543 Lake Otis Pkwy #309
Anchorage AK 99507

Date: 4-5-03

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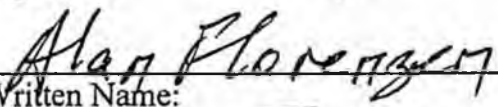
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PORT GRAM, AK
99603

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John Forberg
Written Name:

14233 Old Seward Hwy
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Address:

Anchorage, AK 99509

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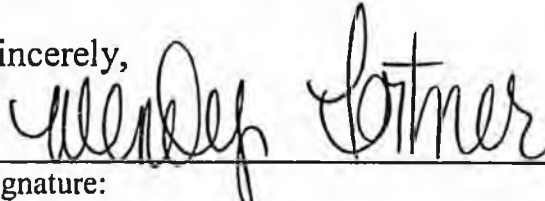
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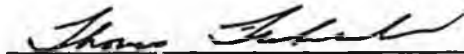
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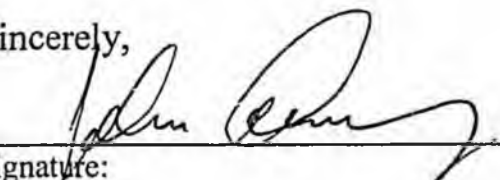
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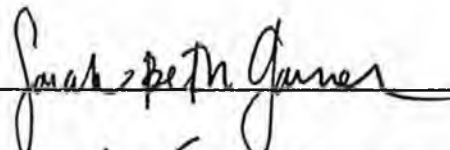
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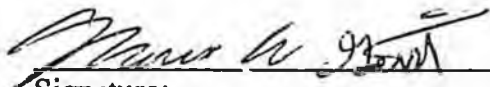
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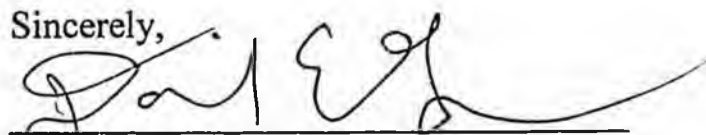
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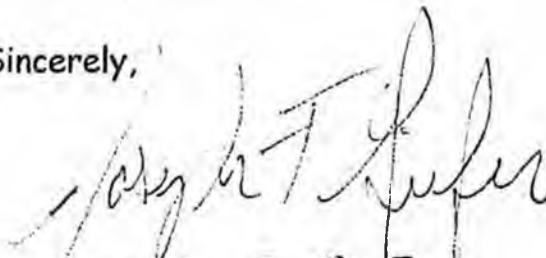
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Testimony before the House State Affairs Committee Monday March 10, 2003

My name is Cevin Gilleland. I am the area habitat biologist for the Mat-Su Borough, Prince William Sound, and the Copper River Basin. I'm not testifying as a representative of the state; and contrary to what you may want to believe, this is not about my job. It's about the future of fish and wildlife in Alaska. I'm eligible to retire and will likely do so in the very near future. It's Alaska's fish and wildlife that are being put in extreme danger and that will suffer as a direct result of EO 107.

I've been involved in three of the projects that have been used to demonstrate why the Department of Fish and Game's permitting responsibility should be moved to DNR; make no mistake about it, moving the Department's permitting responsibility and authority to DNR will eliminate the Department of Fish and Game's ability to project fish and game; not only because the permitting will be removed from the expertise at Fish and Game, but also because the Department of Fish and Game will have no mechanism to provide input on projects that don't require Fish Habitat Permits but may affect Alaska's fish and game resources, for example, requests from local governments, the Corps of Engineers, ADOT&PF, and others.

The three projects I want to talk about are real projects but the information presented to the press and the public is not. The projects are the Tok Cutoff Highway upgrade, The Glenn Parks Interchange, and the Power Creek hydroelectric project in Cordova.

On the Tok Cutoff it was alleged that Fish and Game at first had no objection, then changed our comments, resulting in project delays. Let me explain what happened.

The DOT&PF requested scoping comments on the highway upgrade. There was no mention of stream diversions or wetland impacts. The ADF&G sent a letter stating that the Department had no objection, and that permits would be required for the two bridges they wanted to replace. Approximately 6 months later we received a letter from the Corps of Engineers, indicating that the project would fill approximately 24 acres of wetlands adjacent to the Copper River, and that a clear water tributary to the Copper River would be diverted. Because of the very high fishery values of the Copper River, this

new information provided by the Corps of Engineers, not DOT&PF, raised additional questions.

So we contacted the DOT&PF and the Corps of Engineers, and asked for plans for the permanent diversion channel (which required an ADF&G permit), and an evaluation of the wetland impacts. If you are charged with protecting fish and game, that seems to be the prudent thing to do!

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The second project was the Glenn Parks Interchange. The Governor said that the ACMP Consistency finding was issued in March of 2001, and that the ADF&G didn't issue permits for 16 months. His statement was simply incorrect. The first discussions of the Glenn Park Interchange project didn't take place until June 2001, after DOT&PF hired their consultant. The ACMP Consistency review and final finding was based on the project concept (not the actual plans), because it was a design build project - that is, the contractor both designs and builds the project. The consistency finding was issued on March 27, 2002 (not 2001); and it required that plans and specifications be submitted by the contractor at least 30 days before construction. In other words the ADF&G could not issue any permits until the actual plans were submitted.

The design build contractor Kiewitt Pacific and CH2M Hill were selected in the summer of 2002. They worked with us to develop an alternative to the DOT&PF concept plan that eliminated one of the bridges over Spring Creek. We worked with the federal resource agencies (EPA, NMFS, and the USFWS) and the Corps of Engineers to get the additional wetland fill approved quickly, saving the contractor a significant amount of time and money. This would not have happened had ADF&G permitting been at DNR. There would have been no one available to help since it was not a title 16 issue.

We also worked with the contractor to save time and money on a large culvert that is part of the project. The culvert was originally supposed to be 385 feet long with a huge concrete wall. We helped the contractor modify the plan, extend the length of the culvert to about 410 feet, and replace the concrete wall with a much smaller headwall around the culvert ends, again saving the contractor time and money, while protecting important fish and wildlife resources.

The final Project I'm going to talk about is the **Power Creek Hydroelectric Project in Cordova**. On at least two occasions a photograph of the contractor washing a huge boulder has been shown to reporters, implying that the ADF&G required the contractor to wash rock. This is simply not the case. Washing the rock was Jack Snyder's idea. Mr. Snyder was a contract employee with Cordova Electric.

The permits issued by the Department of Fish and Game, for the construction of the diversion, dam, and intake, where the rock washing took place, did not require that the contractor wash rock, or even that the contractor use clean rock. The permits required that the diversion be constructed to carry the flow and not pollute the downstream anadromous fish spawning areas.

I have copies of those permits attached to my comments. And some photographs of what happened when Power Creek was first diverted into the diversion channel. Hundreds of tons of sediment washed into Power Creek, Hatchery Creek, and Eyak Lake, just after sockeye salmon had begun spawning.

It took the contractor 16 days to re-divert Power Creek back into its natural channel. After Power Creek was back in its natural channel both the ADF&G and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission asked Cordova Electric to redesign the diversion channel.

We helped. I contacted Paul Janke, the ADOT&PF south-central regional hydraulic engineer and requested his assistance in order to expedite the project. Mr. Janke provided a standard design that I forwarded to CEC and Whitewater Engineering.

On August 30, 2000, the ADF&G received CEC's revised stream diversion plans, incorporating the minimum design criteria provided by the

ADOT&PF, and stating that CEC's contractor would wash the rock. After the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved the plan on September 13, the ADF&G wrote a memorandum to the Division of Governmental Coordination asking that the diversion of Power Creek into the bypass channel not be required to undergo an Alaska Coastal Management Program Consistency Review (Attachment 4), again, in order to expedite the project. On September 29, the ADF&G issued Fish Habitat Permit for the temporary diversion of Power Creek into the diversion channel and the re-diversion of Power Creek back into its natural channel once construction of the dam was completed.

The ADF&G did not cause delays at the Power Creek Project, but expedited completion of the project by providing plans from the ADOT&PF, and by requesting that the project not undergo further ACMP consistency review.

The ADF&G had a substantial involvement in these three projects. In every case the applicant's benefited and so have fish and wildlife resources.

ADF&G's permitting and project review functions are the primary mechanism used by the department to protect fish and wildlife. Transferring the permitting responsibility to DNR and eliminating the project review function will not benefit fish and wildlife, will not benefit Alaskans, is poor public policy, and a bad message to send to the rest of the country, especially when we're lobbying for support for ANWR and NPRA.

I urge you to reject Executive Order 107.

There are two memoranda, explaining ADF&G and H&R's involvement in the Tok Cutoff, Glenn Parks, and Power Creek projects attached.

March 22, 2003

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March 12, 2003

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House State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Capitol
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Dear Committee Members:

Subject: March 11/12 Hearings on Executive Order Number 107

I strongly object to Governor Murkowski's proposal to move habitat permitting authority from the Department of Fish and Game to the Department of Natural Resources. As a professional biologist who has worked for many years in watershed and wetland habitat programs, I believe this move would seriously weaken our Alaska's habitat protection and cause grievous environmental impacts on Alaska's fisheries and wildlife.

Along with many other members of the community, I was deeply concerned in reading of Governor Murkowski's apparent disregard for the excellent work carried out by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game with respect to habitat protection and restoration.

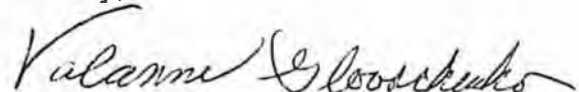
My duties are predominantly in southeast Alaska, and I wish to state that I have had the pleasure of working with some of the most dedicated biologists I have ever known who are currently with ADF&G and stationed in Ketchikan, Craig, Juneau and Sitka. The skill and experience each of these individuals brings to his and her work (Jack Gustafson, Moira Ingles, Mark Minnillo, Ben Kirkpatrick to name a few) has often been a source of gratification and pride for me. I have often relied on the professional judgment of such ADF&G staff in joint coordination of projects that affect wetlands, rivers and the coastal area in Alaska's southeast.

Several days ago, the Anchorage Daily News recounted statements by Jack Gustafson, a highly respected fishery biologist. Jack is just one of the dedicated public servants who is being currently terminated from a position in which he was worked with many, many clients over the years while protecting Alaska's fishery resources. What replacements can DNR provide for these most skilled, experienced biologists who will be denied their role in protecting our most important aquatic resources?

The Governor has claimed that ADF&G - Habitat Division permit biologists are inefficient. However, the facts prove just the opposite --- the average time for processing a habitat permit is about 14 days and at no direct cost to the applicant! If ADNR takes over the permitting process there will be fewer personnel to process permits and the workload will be greater. This will significantly affect the state's ability to protect its fish and fish habitat.

The ability of the state to protect Alaska's fish and fish habitat will, contrary to Governor Murkowski's words, be compromised if Executive Order Number 107 is allowed to pass into law. Please DISAPPROVE Governor Frank Murkowski's Executive Order Number 107.

Sincerely,



Valanne Glooschenko, MSc.

Date: 9/7/3

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Signature:

Terry Conner

Written Name:

9616 Stikine St

Address:

Juneau AK 99801

Cc.

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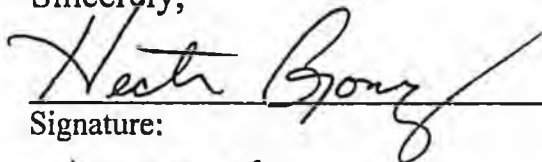
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Written Name:

252-C CHILKOOT
Address:

FT. RICHARDSON, AK 99505

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Benjamin A Good

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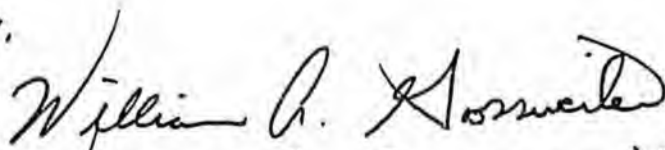
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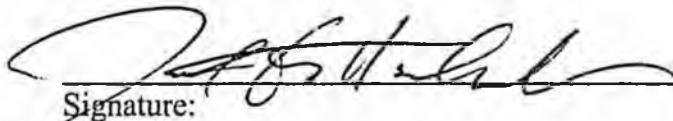
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Signature:

Joel Gottschalk
Written Name:

760 Beaumont Cir
Address:
Anchorage, AK 99502

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2410 Cate Dr.

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99503

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Ethan
Gould 3051 Eaglek Bay circle

Anchorage, AK 99525

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Eaglek Bay Cir 99519
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MICHAEL M GRABOWSKI

Written Name:

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ADC AK 99508

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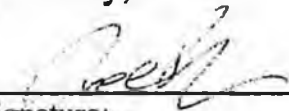
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