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Date: 4-6-03

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Chair, House Resources Committee

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Sincerely,

Carol A. Milkman

Signature:

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Written Name:

18767 Rice Island Cir

Address:

Eagle River, AK 99577

Cc.

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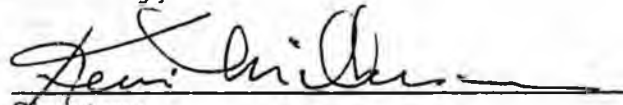
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KEVIN MILKMAN
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Address: EAGLE RIVER

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3310 Woodland Park Dr

Anchorage AK 99517

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Mark Miller
Signature:

Mark G. Miller
Written Name:

PO 141483
2270
Address:

Barch, AK 99514

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7011 Pitrewadon Drive
Address:

Embury AK 99518

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Alona L. Milton
Signature:

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Written Name:

630 Lower Rd.
Address:
Palmer AK 99645

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ANCHORAGE, AK 99519

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Lynne Minto
8336 Sunde Dr.
Anchorage, AK 99502

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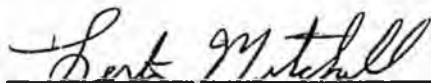
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Address:

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Signature:

Stanton H. Moll

Written Name:

270 Pacific View Dr.

Address:

Anchorage AK 99515

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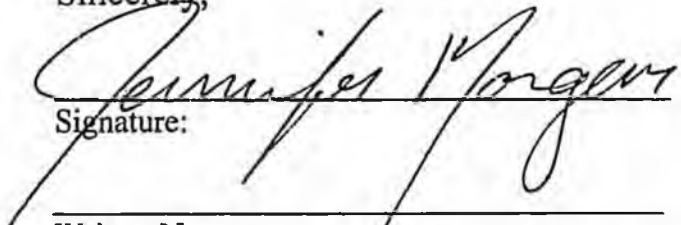
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PO BOX 113307

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Anch, AK 99515

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March 30, 2003

The Honorable Bruce Weyhrauch
House State Affairs Committee
State Capitol, Room 102
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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Dear Representative:

On March 11-12th, your committee held hearings regarding EO 107. The testimony was overwhelmingly in favor of disapproving the EO. On that same day HSCR 1 was introduced to disapprove EO 107. Since that time, no action has occurred to move the bill through. As chairman of House State Affairs Committee, it is within your power to waive the bill through, move it on the next committee, or recommend it to be heard by a joint session. I am requesting that you take one of these actions very soon.

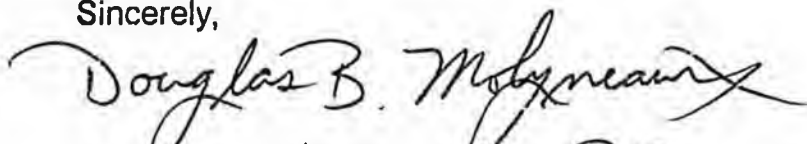
The legislature has only until April 14th to act to disapprove this EO. I feel it is imperative to have a joint session to vote on accepting HSCR 1. Such a significant change in state government must be considered by the full legislature.

Stalling the bill in committee is unacceptable to me. Along with the majority of testifiers in your committee, I feel that transferring habitat protection authority to ADNR is a mistake.

We must maintain the existing executive branch checks and balances. Under ADNR, habitat protection would become subordinate to natural resource development interests. This will result in the degrading of Alaska's fish habitat and will take its toll on our fisheries.

Only a few weeks are remaining in which the legislature must act. Please fulfil your legislative responsibility to move this bill out of committee and help to get it on the floor of the entire legislature.

Sincerely,


7711 Highlander Dr
Anchorage, AK 99523

3-30-03

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Sincerely,

 Nathan Moore

201 E. 16th Ave Apt. 312
Anchorage Ak. 99501

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Written Name:

Palmer A.K.
Address:

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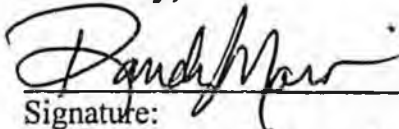
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Signature:

RANDY MORRIS

Written Name:

P.O. Box 141752

Address:

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10135 KANTUCKEY LOOP
ANCHORAGE AK 99507

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Richard J Morrison
7423 Linden Drive
Anchorage, AK 99502

Date: April 3, 03

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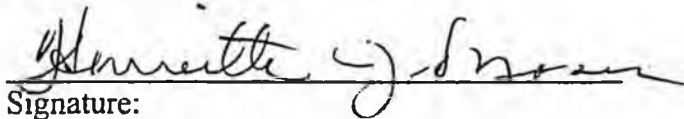
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Signature:

Henrietta J. Moses
Written Name:

P.O. Box 100940
Address:

Anchorage, AK 99501-0940

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Moss
Lawrence Moss

POB 869
869
GIRDWOOD, AK 99587

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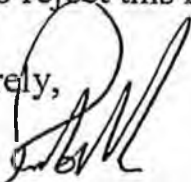
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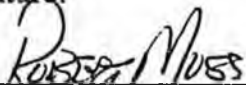
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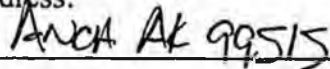
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BILL# or SUBJECT: Exec. Order # 107
COMMITTEE: House State Affairs

I support E.O. 107. The charges that transferring habitat
concerns to DNR will leave fish and game unprotected and that
DNR will simply act as an advocate for development is wrong.

As a 40 year Alaska forest engineer, I have been on many forest
practice act inspections, some with DOF, ADFG and DEC personnel,
some with DOF and ADFG only, and some with just DOF personnel.
I have found that all the DOF personnel I have associated with have
been as concerned and protective of water quality and anadromous
habitat as those of the other agencies.

DNR is the State's land and permitting agency for almost all
purposes. Water rights, land leases, land sale, tideland
permits, Right-of-ways, and other similar actions are under
DNR administration. Only habitat permits for stream crossings
fall under ADFG. With qualified engineers, foresters and
biologists on staff, DNR can do the job as well and more
efficiently.

However I have known ADFG habitat biologists to use their
powers to oppose, delay or make more expensive legitimate
development projects.

March 12, 2003

The Honorable Bruce Weyhrauch Fax 907 465 2273
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Weyhrauch,

How efficient is it to put our state of the brains behind the state's habitat division of the Department of Fish and Game - its biologists? How efficient will it be to have habitat review performed by Department of Natural Resources personnel who have no foundation, training or background in wildlife science?

Fish and Game biologists are the people actively working in the field. They are the ones who have the expertise to gauge the effects of a project on habitat.

If you allow this administration to cut the brains out of our state agencies, you will be cutting out the heart of Alaska. Our state is its wildlife - something lost to the rest of our country - indeed, to a great deal of the rest of the world.

You can "streamline" development anywhere - and end up with irreversible loss of habitat and consequently the wildlife it supports. Try fishing in one of California's anachronous fish streams or finding the bear on its state flag.

Why would anyone agree to jeopardize the quality of life in Alaska - our hunting, fishing or subsistence gathering? Why would anyone agree to jeopardize the economic engine driving Alaska - its tourism industry based on Alaskan "wilderness"?

"If people destroy something replaceable made by mankind, they are called vandals; if they destroy something irreplaceable made by nature, they are called developers." Joseph W. Keutch

Please vote in joint session to disapprove the shortsighted executive order (EO) 107.

Thank you, j-j

Jill Jacob
P.O. Box 1721
Wood Cove, AK.
99928

Date: 4/7/03

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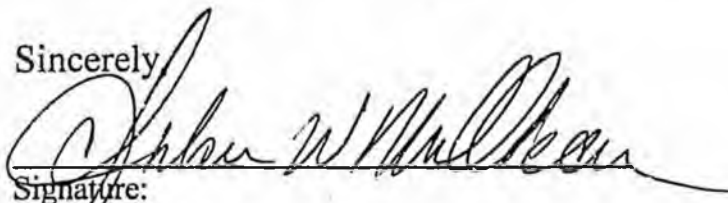
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The Honorable Bruce Weyrauch, Chair, House State Affairs Committee

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Date: 4-6-03

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Sincerely,

Mark Muro
Signature:

MARK MURO
Written Name:

Box 104277
Address:
Anchorage AK 99510

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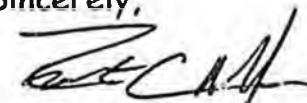
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Sincerely,


SEN MUFROE, ROBERT C.
443-C 6TH ST
ST RICHARDSON AK
99505

Date: 4-4-03

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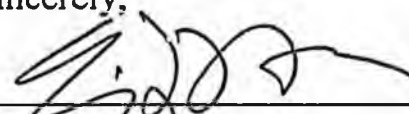
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Signature: _____

Eric F. Myers
Written Name: _____

2834 Knik Ave
Address: _____
Anchorage, AK 99517

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GEORGE G. NAGEL
720 M St. #103
99501

Date: 5 April 2003

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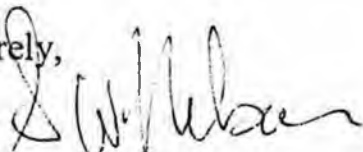
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Signature:

Steven W. Nelson

Written Name:

2515 Cottonwood St

Address:

Anchorage AK 99508

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Ginny Nemeec

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Signature:

CHRIS NESSBITT
Written Name:

331 LIONHEART CRT
Address:
ANCHORAGE AK 99508

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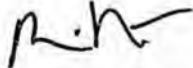
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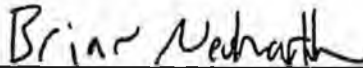
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Written Name:

2110 E 56th Ave G-106

Address:

Anchorage AK 99507

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Jodi Newarth
Signature:

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Written Name:

2110 E 56th # 6106
Address:
ANCHORAGE AK 99507

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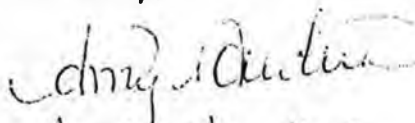
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Sincerely,


Amy Newton
3248 Cassius Ct
Anchorage AK 99508

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Sincerely,

Pete Newlin

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3248 Cassini Ct

Anchorage, AK 99548

Date: 4/5/03

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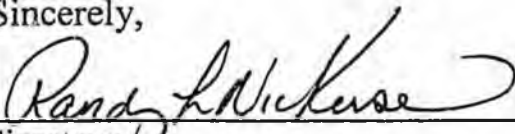
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Sincerely,


Signature:

Randy L. Nickerson
Written Name:

3922 Sycamore Loop
Address:

ANCHORAGE, AK. 99501

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M. A. Niver
Signature:

MARK A. NIVER
Written Name:

955 Loch Ness Ct
Address:
Wasilla, AK. 99654

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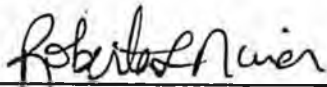
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Signature:

ROBERTA L. NIVER

Written Name:

PO Box Lochness Ct.

Address:

Wasilla, AK 99684

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Jacob P. Noah
907-222-1540

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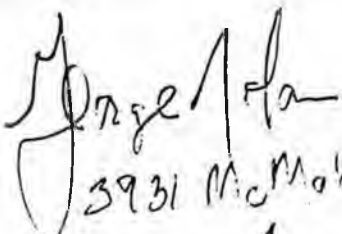
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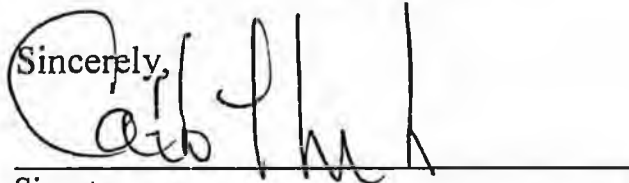
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Signature:

CATHERINE T NORDMANN

Written Name:

1751 ELCADORE DR B3

Address:

ANCHORAGE AK 99507

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Signature:

Ayle M. Normand
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Address:

Anchorage Ak 99504

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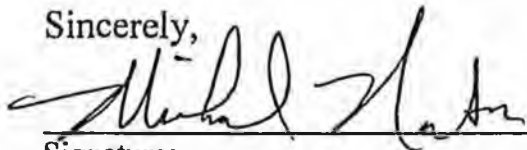
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Signature:

Michael Norton

Written Name:

360 Luther Ave

Address:

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Anchorage AK 99501

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Signature:

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Written Name:

11911 DEVONSHIRE CIRCLE
Address:

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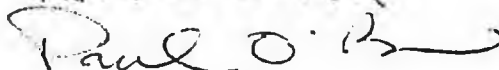
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Box 1501

Bethel, AK

99559

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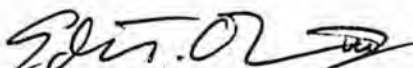
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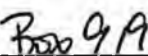
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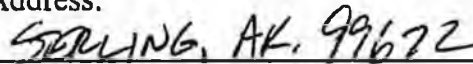


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TESTIMONY BEFORE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 12, 2003

I'm Maryellen Oman, President of Anchorage Audubon, and I'm here to say that Anchorage Audubon is firmly opposed to the governor's Executive Order 107 because we believe that it will seriously weaken protections for important fish and wildlife habitats around the state. Title 16, Fish and Game, was promulgated at statehood and indeed protection of fishery resources was a driving force behind statehood. Responsibility for fisheries was assigned to ADF&G for good reason: We need to protect the vital fish and wildlife resources of this state. ADF&G and DNR have different and conflicting missions and are both necessary. ADF&G's priority is fish, wildlife and their habitats. DNR is the state's lead development agency. Responsibility for fish and game is not part of the DNR mission. The commissioner of ADF&G is required to have knowledge of the protection of fish and game resources, and one of the functions of that office is to protect fish and game resources and have the necessary power to accomplish this. EO107 strips the commissioner of this power. No specific job qualifications for making habitat-permitting determinations at DNR are specified in EO107. As habitat biologists retired or took other positions, these duties could be delegated to low-level non-professionals with little or no biological training. At ADF&G, professional biologists are responsible for evaluating permit applications and issuing habitat permits. If EO107 is allowed to stand, executive branch checks and balances will no longer exist.

Habitat produces wealth for the state of Alaska, and fish habitat loss will affect the currently lucrative industries of tourism and fishing. There are many more points I could make, but you've heard them before my testimony and I would simply say that Anchorage Audubon supports the Senate and House resolutions, SSCR1 and HSCR1 which would override the governor's unwise Executive Order 107.

Date: 4/4/03

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Written Name:

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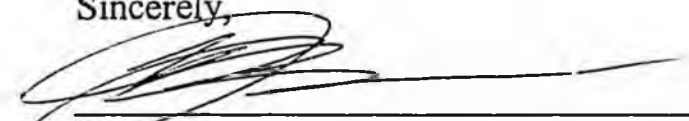
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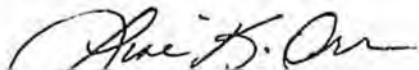
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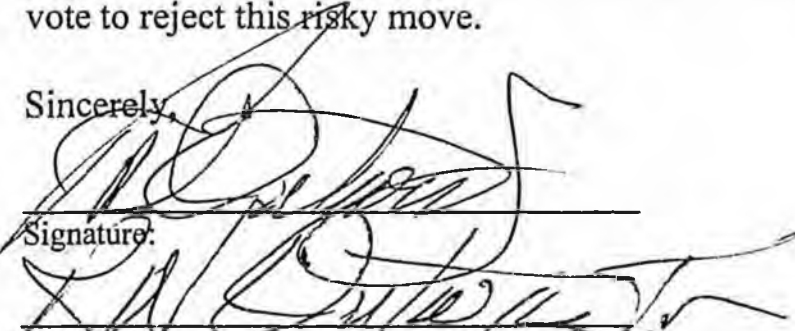
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TESTIMONY ON EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 107
March 12, 2003

I am Jeff Parker, vice president of the State Council of Trout Unlimited, counsel for the Alaska Sportfishing Association, guided for many years, been on the Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee for 20 years, have served on various planning teams for ADF&G and DNR; and was special counsel to the Senate State Affairs Committee, under Senator Mitch Abood, in 1985-86, on subsistence when Alaska first went out of compliance with federal law. I now practice law in Anchorage and am testifying for the State Council of Trout Unlimited and for the Alaska Sportfishing Association. Both oppose EO 107.

This issue is driven by perception more than facts. If you want to streamline permitting, then you need to identify problems. Opinions don't do that. Facts do.

A. Factual Concerns

You have facts in ADF&G's rebuttal of the examples used by the Governor. Because the Governor had has facts wrong, can we trust his assertions that protection of fish habitat will remain the same. We don't trust that assertion. Here's why.

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Look at the budget. ADF&G Habitat Division's budget this fiscal year is \$12.4 million of which \$2.2 million is general funds. The Governor's proposed operating budget will eliminate the division and replace it with \$3.5 million of general funds for habitat management and permitting in DNR. The difference is about \$9 million less, so DNR will not do the same job.

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C. Efficiency

We hear about "efficiency." You know that ADF&G's record is 14 days average to process and grant a permit, and that 99 percent are granted. The report from the mineral industry to which Mr. Irwin refers actually ranks Alaska very high for its regulatory scheme. Then, John Sturgeon misled you when he implied that two agencies - DNR and ADF&G - have to approve a culvert or bridge. That's false. There is no DNR permit. DNR approves a plan of operation and ADF&G approves culverts and bridges within it. DNR never has to approve the culvert or bridge. So, the misleading statements make us not trust.

D. Staff

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E. EO 107 Will Impact Southcentral Alaska Most

More 870 permits and 840 permits are issued in southcentral than in an other region. They result from ordinary activities, not timber in Southeast, mining in the interior, or oil and gas on the North Slope. EO 107 will affect fish where most Alaskans live.

E. Suggestions

First, ask: "Whose idea was this?" That is who you should have in front of you. Second, ask: "What does it tell you when not one staff biologist from ADF&G agrees with the acting commissioner of ADF&G, and instead every staff biologist, from multiple divisions, who has testified publicly disagrees with the acting commissioner. Third, look for compromise. There are two issues here: (1) ADF&G's role under 840 and 870, and (2) ADF&G's rule under the Forest Practices Act. Keep those issues separate. If you want to change ADF&G's role under the Forest Practices Act, then amend the statute. If you want to streamline permitting, then adopt the "Major Projects" approach that consolidates permitting for large, important projects.

But, there is no need to transfer 840 and 870 to DNR or eliminate the Habitat Division or throw away millions of dollars annually that are not general funds dollars.

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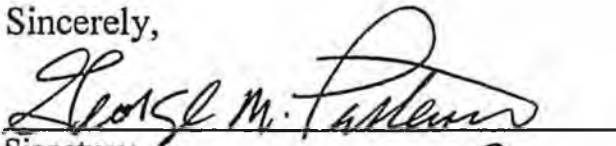
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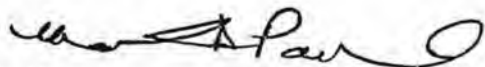
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Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to comment. For the record my name is Josh Peirce and as we have heard over the last 2 nights there is overwhelming opposition to Executive order 107.

This move will not only have a detrimental impact on fisheries habitat, but will take away a very important tool from ADF&G with which to manage.

Mr. Chair, you mentioned last night that you were more interested in the structure, policy and streamlining aspects of this proposed transfer to DNR and I will try to speak primarily to those issues.

First of all I am amazed to hear Commissioner Irwin's strong endorsement of this move. He heralds the transfer of permitting authority to DNR as though there will be major increases in efficiencies to State permitting.

However, when pressed for details of how EO 107 will be implemented Commissioner Irwin has to continually refer to others. I have heard much confusion on their part when trying to answer the specifics of this move.

Commissioner Irwin and Acting Commissioner Duffy keep referring to a MOU, which will be drafted to iron out the particulars of the proposed transfer, but as we all know the devil is in the details. It is quite obvious that the transfer of permitting authority to DNR has been poorly thought out and executed thus far.

Commissioner Irwin speaks of streamlining and when pressed how a reduction in permitting staff will produce higher efficiency he talks about teamwork. Well the fact of the matter is, this move would physically separate an already highly efficient permitting staff from other ADF&G staff charged with research and management. I fail to see how this will improve teamwork and inefficiencies will be created.

Commissioner Irwin has also assured us that field inspections will continue. I am curious how this will happen with the closing of 2 district offices in Ketchikan and Sitka and a reduction in staff of 22 people. Will the state really save money flying habitat biologists from Juneau to Ketchikan and Sitka? Of course not. There is no budget for this and these field inspections will simply not occur.

Commissioner Irwin also commonly refers to his very positive experience with the Habitat Division during his tenure with Fort Knox. This sounds like an endorsement of the current system to me.

Industry representatives in support of this proposed transfer all tout the line that this will improve permitting efficiency and they are sure to mention the environment will still be protected.

However, we have heard over and over in testimony how incredibly efficient the habitat permitting process already is. The facts are impressive with most permits currently being issued within 2 weeks.

For comparison I conducted a brief 10-minute search of DNR's Land Administration System, known as LAS to see if DNR could match the efficiency record of ADF&G Habitat staff. This DNR web site is available to all of the public on line. I found some interesting results.

ADL 226124 an application for grazing rights dated 1993.

ADL 207041 a 1980 application for a public easement to construct an airstrip.

ADL 226303 an application for a land disposal dated 1994.

LAS 22352 an application for water rights dated 1998.

And most impressively, ADL 68071 a 1974 application for a coal prospecting permit. This application was filed almost 30 years ago.

From this very brief research it appears that DNR has significant backlogs in issuing their permits. Commissioner Irwin should be busy addressing this backlog and not worrying about how he is going to take an already extremely efficient group of permittees from ADF&G Habitat, reduce their staff by 22 and magically make them more effective. This proposed move is simply bad business.

Briefly back to the environment which Commissioner Irwin and Industry representatives assure us will be protected. I am curious what they are basing these assurances on. What we have heard the last 2 nights from highly educated experts with many years of experience in wildlife and fisheries management is a very different story. Governor Murkowski speaks of making decisions based on sound science, yet a move such as this flies in the face of sound science. The experts are here and have testified before you and have clearly stated that this move will have a detrimental effect on salmon.

In conclusion. If allowed to take effect EO 107 would strip an extremely valuable management tool from the ADF&G. This proposed move has been poorly planned and we can expect will be poorly executed. There are no efficiencies to be gained in such a move. The Habitat division has a stellar record of efficiency and we should not dismantle a system, which has served Alaskans so well. I am here tonight to urge you to pass a joint resolution rescinding EO 107.

Thank you,

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March 22, 2003


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I would like to express my concern about the Governor's Executive Order 107 (EO 107) to transfer permitting authority from the Department of Fish and Game's Habitat Division to the Department of Natural Resources. The missions of these two departments are different and I see a real danger in moving authority for the protection of fish and wildlife habitat to the Department of Natural Resources whose primary mission is the *development* of resources.

I am strongly opposed to EO 107 because it will put our fish resources at risk. This EO will take effect April 15, 2003 if it is not disapproved.

Please move House and Senate Special Concurrent Resolution No. 1 out of your committee and to the floor for a vote at a joint session. Please vote to disapprove EO 107.

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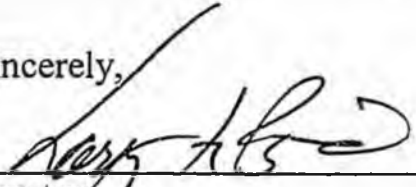
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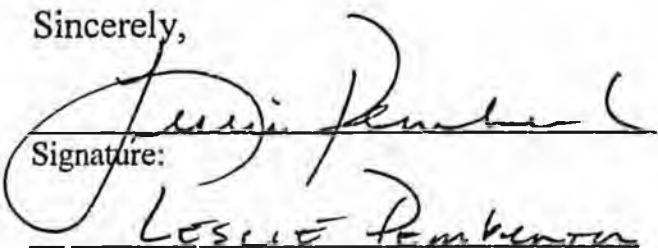
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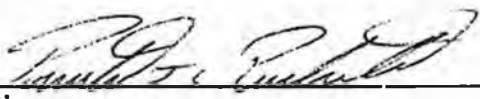
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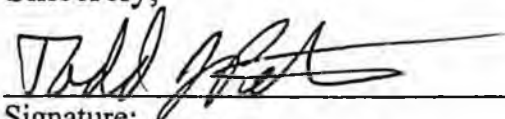
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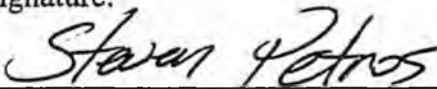
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