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Emily Stancliff

From: jay [jaynolfi@mtaonline.net]
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2006 8:42 PM
To: Rep. Jay Ramras
Cc: Rep. Mark Neuman; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Fw: House Resorce Committee CS HB 307

----- Original Message -----

From: jay
To: Rep. Jay Ramros@legis.state.ak.us
Cc: Rep. Mark Neuman ; Senator Charlie Huggins ; Rep. Bill Stoltze
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2006 6:15 PM
Subject: House Resorce Committee CS HB 307

A few years ago I was involved in the establishment of a Lake Management Ordinance in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. An attempt was made to place some constraints on the usage of "jet skis" or to prohibit their use entirely, and I can relay to you that the biggest public outcry during all public hearings held, was, "the surface of the lake belongs to everyone." Consequently, the Ordinance was written accordingly.

This same principle should apply to land useage. Public land belongs to everyone, therefore, the Knik River Public Use Area legislation should contain provisions to include all forms of recreation, including the use of off-road vehicles with reasonable safety precautions.

Public interest groups do not serve the public!

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Emily Stancliff

From: Gary Masog [gary.masog@gci.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2006 1:49 PM

To: Rep. Jay Ramras

Subject: HB 307

PLEASE PASS THIS BILL. THERE ARE TOO FEW AREAS NEAR BY THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR OFF ROAD USE.

GARY MASOG
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3/27/2006

Emily Stanciuff

From: John Davis [johndavis@radiokenai.com]

Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2006 12:40 PM

To: Rep. Jay Ramras

Subject: Support HB307

Jay.... Hope you support those folks in Anch and the Valley who are waiting for passage of HB307. Please let me know you supported this piece of legislation. John C. Davis-Kenai

Emily Stancliff

From: lee.connie@juno.com
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2006 10:46 AM
To: Rep. Jay Ramras
Subject: HB 307, Knik River Public Use Area

I would like to lend my support to the passage of HB 307. This area has been used by ORV enthusiasts, including myself, for many years. I am not aware of any other area reasonably close to the large population centers around southcentral Alaska that is available for large groups of ORV users. The use of this area for this purpose should not be restricted.

Respectfully,

Lee Browning
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Anchorage, AK 99517

FAX TO REPRESENTATIVE RAMRAS
REGARDING HB307 (KNIK PUBLIC USE AREA)

March 26, 2006

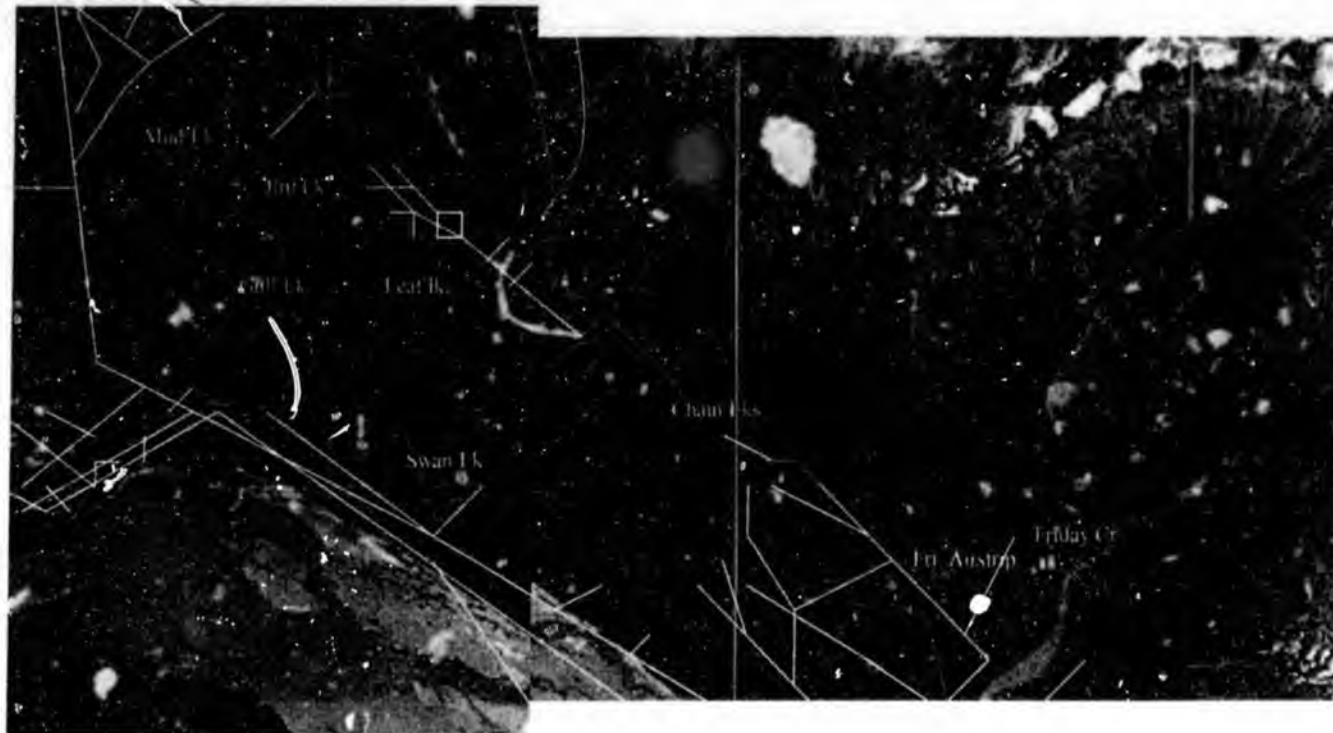
Representative Ramras,

Please consider holding HB307 until it is rewritten to include some regulatory language so that it can be truly a MULTI- USE PUBLIC USE AREA. As things have been written and with a relatively recent (past 5 yr. Trend) Non-motorized users are being pressured out for safety and other practical reasons and those of us who live in this area and are truly multi-use users who are careful with the environment, feel violated and restricted in our use.

My family has lived in, and/or used this area for 40 years. We own and use snow machines, 4-wheelers, horses, we ski, hike and canoe. In the past we have used the river bed and trails as far as the Glacier for horses and 3-wheelers....and have canoed and used small row boats in Jim Lake even going on down the creek to the river....we skied right along with snow machines etc. and would ride our horses year round on the trails...The motorized user of the past was quite considerate and were fewer in number. Now this is becoming dangerous and difficult due to outsiders on motorized vehicles who travel very fast, tear up the trails (often deliberately trying to see how deep they can get in and still get out) the creek crossings have become so muddied and widened as to be dangerous on horses and impossible on foot or with bicycles etc. Skiers, horseback riders and dog teams are no match for a high speed powerful motorized vehicle. Shooting is often in peoples BACKYARDS.... and is excessive and on high frequency trails and may include automatic weapons....MACHINE GUNS DO NOT BELONG IN A PUBLIC USE AREA....THEY HAVE BECOME FREQUENT. NOR DO THEY HAVE A PLACE IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA.

Since the motorized users have not been regulating themselves and are often showing so much inconsideration to residents of the Knik Basin, the environment and to other users, I believe there will need to be some regulation and some form of enforcement acknowledged by the bill. Please consider holding this bill in committee until it can be changed in order to protect the true MULTI- USE INTENT. And also to protect the residents of this area and the environment itself.

Thank you, Margaret Runser (17005 E. Dorismae Cir., Palmer,
Ak. 99645)



Yellow = ORV trails

Red = road, Red E. of Mud Lk. (r. square) = Maude Rd. extension

White = Middle of Sec, 22 and extent of old logging trails

Turquoise = What is left of Rippy Trail

Blue = Friday Cr. Trails – so far, singietrack

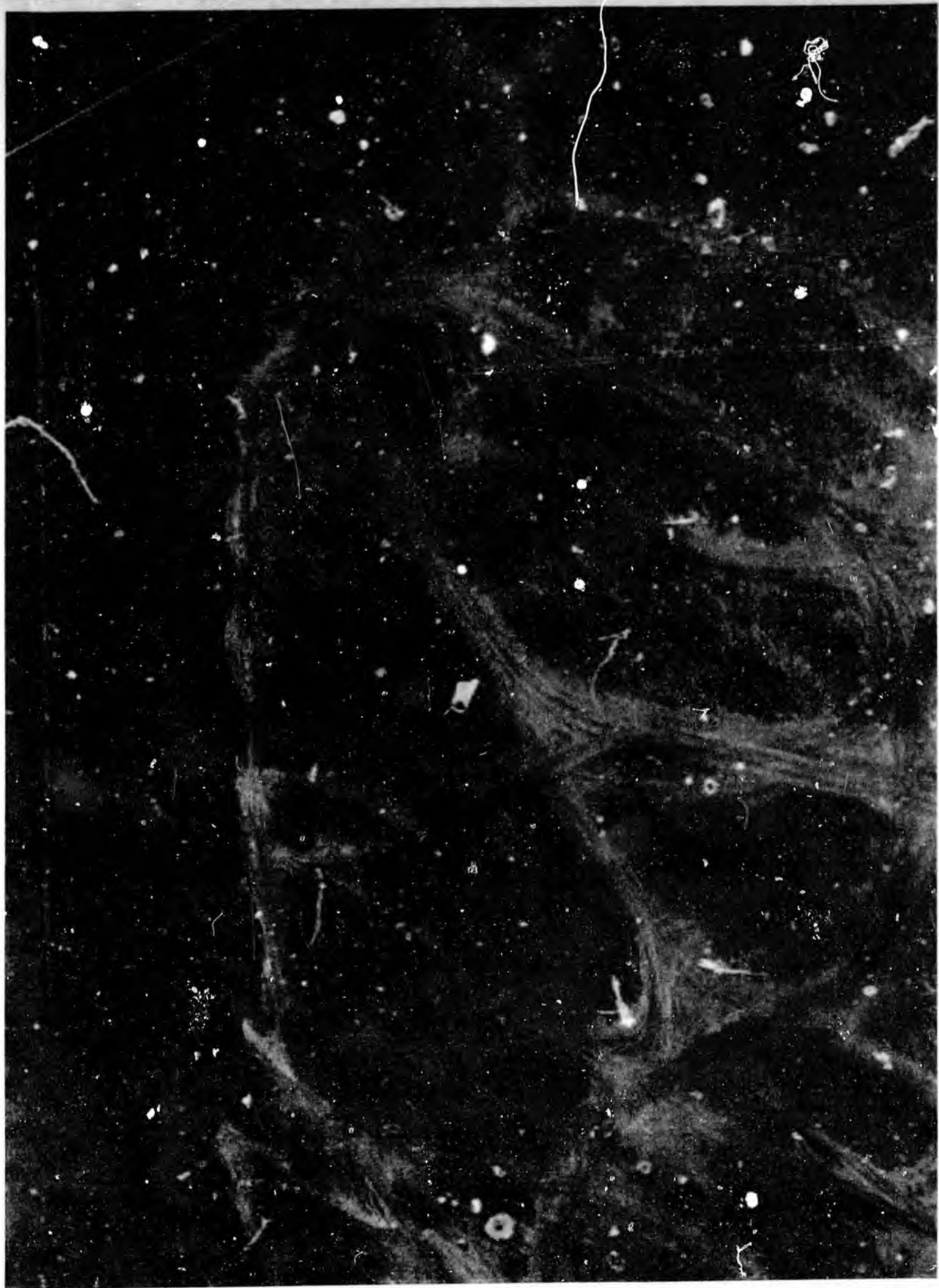
(note- the turquoise line beyond Chain Lks. Is not a mistake - ATVs have been hauled in by air boat)

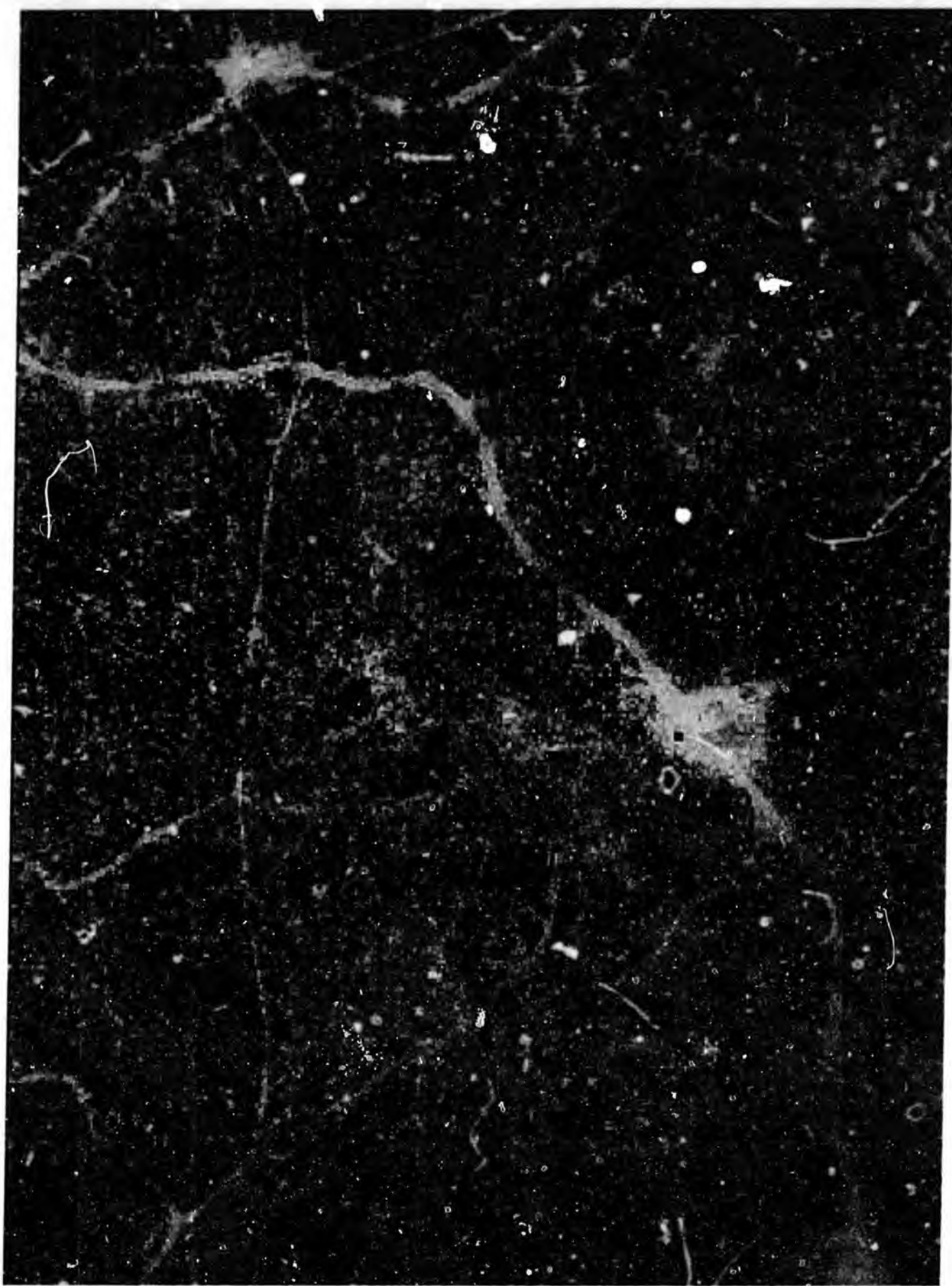
This is a rough line drawn graphic representation from my knowledge of these trails and is not a GPS map! Use at your own risk.

The Rippy portion of ad-hoc ORV traffic was single track only from White box to approximately the Friday Creek airstrip prior to the Maude Rd. Extension project.

This, along with other documentation, gives you overview about what is happening to the Jim/Swan Wetlands with no Management or adequate Law Enforcement.

Other documentation and photos available by request.





To: Representative Jay Ramras, Co-Chairman
Re: Public Hearing on the Knik River Public Use Area
Date: March 27, 2006

Summary: Statement of Opposition to HB307 and the redraft, CS HB307A. Due to time restraints at the hearing, I may be unable to voice my concerns. Below is my statement of record regarding the Knik River Public Use Area legislation.

My name is Scott Wolfe and I am a south Knik River resident.

I wish to thank the legislatures and the public for their significant efforts for attempting to develop legislation for addressing concerns and conflicts that have developed because of repeated, irresponsible use of the Knik River area by recreational users. However, HB307 and the redraft, CS HB307A sounds as if it were written to perpetuate and enhance the problems instead of develop solutions.

For over 20 years, residents have expressed concerns to government personnel and enforcement officials about the following problems caused by overuse and abuse:

1. Burned and abandoned vehicles
2. Uncontrolled gunfire
3. Uncontrolled motorized use
4. Erosion, dust, and damage caused by ORVs
5. Pollution (Ground, air, water, noise)
6. Abandoned campfires
7. Poaching
8. Wildlife and fish harassment and disturbance
9. Trespassing
10. Alcohol and drug use
11. Incompatible uses (e.g.; airboats on Jim Creek adjacent to Jim Lake while canoes are present, lead shot in waterways)

This area is truly remarkable and provides breeding, summer, and winter habitats for moose, Dall's sheep, mountain goat, black and brown bear, lynx, wolf, wolverine, coyote, fox, weasel, snowshoe hare, American beaver, river otter, Arctic ground squirrel, red squirrel, passerine and upland game birds, shorebirds, raptors, gulls, ravens, over 20 species of ducks, trumpeter and tundra swans, and geese. Jim Creek, the biological heart of the ecosystem, is historically the 2nd largest recreational fishery in Knik Arm for silver salmon and, along with other creeks, lakes, and wetlands in the region, contain good numbers of red salmon, dolly varden, rainbow trout, and whitefish. As a wildlife biologist, it's hard for me to imagine that this place does not have active management, enforcement, and the funding necessary to sustain it for future generations.

Another astonishing thing to me is that target shooters have their rights completely protected in this proposed legislation but legitimate, responsible waterfowl hunters must use steel shot because of widespread research that shows lead toxicity to the entire wetland food chain. Has anyone tested the fish they catch at Jim Creek Flats for lead toxicity? As an avid hunter, I no longer hunt in this area because of noise disturbance, human to animal density, and the fear of being shot by target shooters, joy riders, or partiers. This ruins the hunting experience in this incredible habitat for wildlife and is a prime example of incompatible uses.

So, obviously to everyone involved, something needs to be done to curtail the destructive activities that have existed for far, far, far too long. Nevertheless, I strongly oppose HB307 and the redraft, CS HB307A because it seems to perpetuate and build further upon the reckless, irresponsible uses that have caused so much damage and got us to this point of

no return. I presented a full realm of objections, identified inadequacies, and suggested improvements to HB307 during the first public testimony at the Butte Elementary School, so all of that should be readily available on public record. I will not reiterate a step-by-step walk through the shortcomings of the proposed legislation but strongly recommend reviewing everyone's recommendations, making a much better attempt at improving the legislation, and allowing a more extensive public review process before approving any legislation for this critical area.

After the 2 public hearings, it should be very clear that much opposition still exists over what is our "best" alternative for managing the incredible wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities in this area. The redraft, CS HB307A doesn't even come close to addressing concerns expressed by many long-time residents or most speakers at either hearing. Land use decisions and a carefully thought out management plan are integral for developing a sustainable approach at wise-use for dealing with cumulative effects of an exponentially growing population.

Yes, the State must act on this ever-growing problem. However, HB307 isn't the answer. The Knik River area, and its residents deserve much, much better. I've heard ATVer's say, "hey, this is Alaska, where we can do whatever we want whenever we want" - "if you don't like it, just move!" This legislation paves the way for this illogical thinking ... many of our back yards. Because no previous legislation has been developed specifically for the area, this is now the opportunity to pave the way for wise- and sustainable- use, instead of the "take what you can, give nothing back" attitude so prevalent with many current users and in HB307 (and the redraft). So, please reject this current legislative attempt to allow motorized users to continue taking over and affecting everyone else through disrespectful, irresponsible, and destructive use of these incredibly valuable natural resources.

Thank you.

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**Letters of Support for HB 307 and SB 197
Knik River Public Use Area Legislation**

July 19, 2005

Senator Charles Higgins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau AK 99801-1182
300 E Fairway Ave
Wasilla AK 99654

Dear Sir

I Fully support HB307 & SB 197 as they
are written

The Knik River Drainage & Jim Creek
should be managed for all forms of
Recreation as long as motorized access
is not restricted.

South Central Ak. needs a place such
as the Knik to be designated for
motorized off-highway vehicles & boats

Thanks for the help
Junior A. Mason

Junior A. Mason
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MARJORIE CRAIN
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July 18, 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau, Ak. 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave.
Wasilla, Ak. 99654

Dear Senator Huggins,

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197. My family has used much of this area for twenty years to access Federal & State Lands. I have used ATVs, boats, for pleasure, hunting and to enjoy the beauty of Alaska.

Opposed to any restrictions to motorized use in the planning area greater than the State's "Generally Allowed Uses" and the existing Copper River Basin Plan.

Motorized access to Jim Creek & the Knik River Drainage is really

crucial to those wishing to fish.
We have been limited in many
areas to foot or horse traffic only.
We need a place close to the
mass of people where motorized
off-highway vehicles + boats can
be used - just as they have been.

I truly believe this area
should be designated for motorized
off-highway ATVs + Boats.

Thank you for all your
efforts to preserving open access
to ATVs without restriction.

Sincerely,
Maison C.

1-17-05

CHARGE HULLGANS
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 417
TUNEAU AK, 99801-1182
600 E RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA AK 99654

MR HULLGANS

I TOTALLY SUPPORT HB 307 JSB197
EXACTLY AS WRITTEN,
KUK RIVER DRAINAGE SHOULD NOT
HAVE RESTRICTED METORIZED USE +
BE OPEN FOR ALL USERS, AS THIS
IS A EXCELANT PLACE TO PLAY +
A SAFE PLACE TO TEACH KIDS TO
DRIVE.

LEC KUCH
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PALMER AK
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ATTENTION
CHARLIE HOGGINS
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 417
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801 1182
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WASILLA, AK 99654

SIR,

PLEASE ACCEPT MY SUPPORT FOR HB507
& SB197, BOTH IN EXACT WORDING AND
INTENT.

MY FAMILY AND I ALONG WITH MANY
FRIENDS AND VISITING OUTDOORSPORTS ENJOY
IMMENSELY THESE AREAS OF MOTORIZED OFF
ROAD RECREATION

I WOULD STRONGLY SUGGEST THE
MINTAINING OF BOTH JIM CREEK & FRANK RIVER
AS A WHOLE FOR CONTINUED USE BY ME AND
MY ENTIRE FAMILY & FRIENDS. I'M HAPPY TO
SEE HOW MY GRANDDAD'S FIRE CROWN WORKS
AND IT IS A JOY.

THANKS MR HOGGINS IN ADVANCE
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Charlie Huggins
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Senator Huggins

I fully support HB 307 + SB 197 as they are written

The Knik River Drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted

South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off highway vehicles and boats

The Knik River is the excepted ~~the~~ recreation area for South central Alaska

James R Langman
J R. Howard Langman

July 19, 2005

from Cheryl A. Eldridge
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to: Charlie Huggins
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Room 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

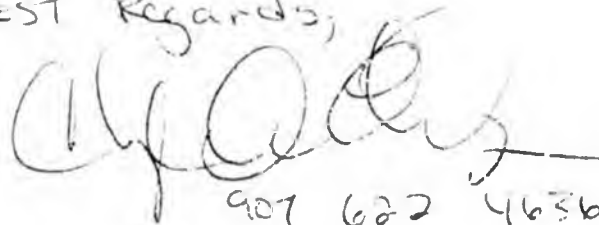
600 E. RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA, AK 99854

Re: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins,

As a user of the Knik Area, I fully support House Bills # 307 and SB 197 ^{orig} as written. This area must remain open to all users for present and future use. This area is a vital recreation area to folks like me who live 20 minutes from there.

Best regards,



907 622 4656

P.S. People w/ disabilities need motorized access to enjoy our wilderness. Please keep Knik open!
THANKS!

Charlie Muggins
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500 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

3075 Telegrapha Drive #8
Anchorage, AK 99517
July, 19 2005

RE: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Muggins,

I have been an Alaskan resident for almost 3 years and have done my very best to get outside and enjoy Alaska's great outdoors. As an owner of 2 personal watercraft and friend of many boat, snowmachine, and aircraft owners, I am very concerned about limited or restricted access to East Alaska. I fully support HB307 and HB194 as they are currently written. The Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. I oppose anything more restrictive than the State's "Generally allowed uses" and the existing State's Copper River Basin Plan. I can personally attest to the respect and desire to keep Alaska's areas clean and open by fellow motorized Alaskans.

Sincerely,



Jared T. Friesen

July 19, 2005

Senator Charlie Huggins
602 E Railroad Avenue
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Senator Huggins:

Thank you for your passion ^{helping to} in keeping the
Knik River Public Use Area open to all forms of
recreation, including motorized access.

I fully support HB307 and SB197 as they are written.

The Alaska lifestyle is continually under attack
by those who pose as well intentioned citizens
that are actually part of a national movement to
close all of Alaska.

South Central Alaska needs a place such
as the Knik River to be a designated
destination for motorized off-highway vehicles
and boats.

Sincerely,



Gary Olson

**SECTION 4. LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO
REPRESENTATIVE BILL STOLTZ FOR SB 301
AND HB 197.**

MARJORIE CRAIN
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July 18, 2005

Sen. Bill Stoltze
State Capitol, Room 501
Juneau, Ak. 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave.
Wasilla, Ak 99654

Dear Senator Stoltze,

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197. My family has used much of this area for twenty years to access Federal & State Lands. When we moved here in 1961 just having roads was enough wild, but now we seek deeper into the wilderness. I have used ATVs & boats for pleasure, hunting & to enjoy the beauty of Alaska, and as a way to fish.

I am opposed to ANY restrictions to motorized use in the planning area greater than the State's "Generally

allowed Uses" and the existing
Copper River Basin Plan.

Motorized access to Jim Creek
in the Kwik River Drainage is really
crucial to those wishing to fish. We
have been limited in many areas to foot
or horse or skis only. We need a
place close to the mass of people where
motorized off highway vehicles &
boats can be used - just as they have
been. I truly believe this area
should be designated for motorized
off highway ATV's & Boats.

Thank you for all your efforts
to preserving open access to ATV's
without restriction.

Sincerely,
Shayne O.A.

July 19, 2005

Rep. Bill Stoltze
State Capitol, Rm 501
Juneau AK 99801-1182
GOODE RAILROAD AVE
Wasilla AK 99654

Dear Bill

I support HB 3074 SB 197 as standing

The Knik River Drainage & Jim Creek
should be managed for all forms of
recreation as long as motorized access
is not restricted

South Central AK. needs a place such
as the Knik River to be a designated
designated for motorized off-highway
vehicles & boats

Thanks for your help

James A. Chapman

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BILL STOLTZE
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MR. HIGGINS

I TOTALLY SUPPORT ~~THE~~ A.B 307 & SB 197
EXACTLY AS WRITTEN, THE KNIK RIVER
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PALMER AK 99645

(x)

MR. BILL STOCZE
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 501
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801-1182
600 E. RAILROAD AVE.
WASILLA, ALASKA 99654

DEAR BILL,

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
HARD WORK AND WOULD FEEL BACK YOU IN
THE EFFORT TO PUSH THROUGH BOTH SB 197
AND HB 307

AS A 40 YEAR ALASKAN, MARRIED HERE
AND RAISED CHILDREN, AND NOW GRAND
CHILDREN, I CAN ASSURE YOU OUR JOY IN
THIS GREAT STATE IS HUNTING, FISHING, CAMPING,
BERRY PICKING AND WILDLIFE VIEWING ON
OUR ATOS & BOAT.

WITHOUT THIS AREA (I THINK A DENALI &
KENAI) WE WOULD LEAVE AND SEEK FOR
THIS JOY OF EXISTENCE.

THANKS MR. STOCZE. KEEP UP THE

GOOD WORK. JR. John

TED (SCHWIN.)

SECO HOLDEN DR.

ANCHORAGE ALASKA 99516

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From: Cheryl A. Eldridge
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July 19, 2005

To: Bill Stoltze
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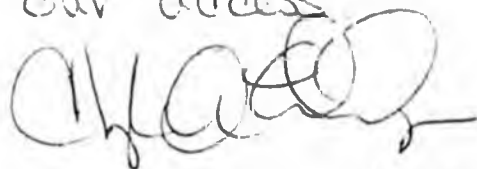
6000 E RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA, AK 99654

Dear Representative Stoltze

House Bill 307 and Senate Bill 197
need to stand as written to protect the
Kuk River Public Use Area for all forms
of recreation.

Kuk & Jim Creek do need to be managed
but not at the expense of motorized access.
This area is very important to me as an atv
rider as it is close to my home (20 minutes)
and allows me to enjoy the outdoors. Motorized
access is very important as I was almost
paralyzed as the result of a horse/bear
accident and the atv allows me to go
places I could never hike to.

Please preserve our access!



907 622 4636

July 19, 2005

Representative Bill Stoltze
600 E. Rural Avenue
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Representative Stoltze,

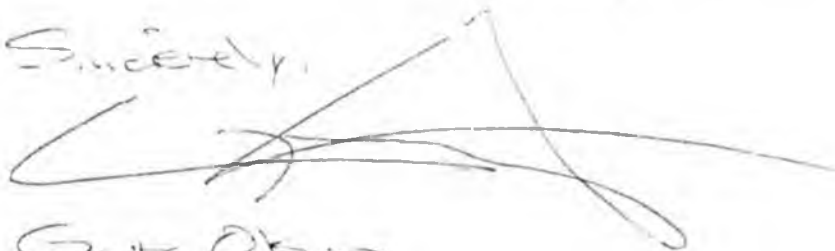
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South Central Alaska needs a place such as
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for motorized and highway vehicles and loads.

Sincerely,



Gary Olson

Bill Stolze
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July, 17th 2005

RE: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Representative

I have been an Alaskan resident for almost 3 years and have done my very best to get outside and enjoy our great State of Alaska, many times on motorized vehicles. As an owner of 2 personal watercraft and friend of many boat, snow machine, and aircraft owners, I am very concerned about limited or restricted access to parts of Alaska. I fully support HB 297 and HB 197 as they are currently written. The Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. I oppose anything more restrictive than the State's "Generally allowed uses" and the existing State's Copper River Basin Plan. I can personally attest to the desire of motorized Alaskans to respect and help clean all of Alaska's great outdoors.

Sincerely,



Jared T. Friesen

**SECTION 4. LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO BOTH
SENATOR CHARLIE HUGGINS AND
REPRESENTATIVE BILL STOLTZ FOR SB 301
AND HB 197.**

From

Brian L Johnson
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To Charles Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
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To Bill Stottz
State Capitol, Room 501
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
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Subject Kink River public Access use Area

Dear Senator Huggins and Representative Stottz

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written. The Kink River drainage and Tim Creek should be managed for all forms of Recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. Alaska needs a place for motorized off highway vehicles and boats.

Thank you for your efforts in preserving our access

Sincerely



7/18/05

Charlie Huggins
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Bill Stoltz
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Subject Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins and Representative Stoltz:

I fully support HB307 and SB197 as they are written. The Knik River drainage and Tim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

Thank you for your efforts in preserving our access.

Sincerely,
Gene Gerken

Gene Gerken
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To: Charlie Huggins and Bill Stoltze:

Dear Sirs:

1. I fully support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written.
2. The Knik River DRAINAGE and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is NOT restricted.
3. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off highway vehicles and boats

Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Steve Rizzo



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TO:

FR Charles Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
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REP. Bill Stoltz
State Capitol, Room 451
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Coast Railroad Ave
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FROM:

William C. Hall
Juneau, Ak
Juneau, Ak 99801

It is my hope that you will find this letter of July 14, 1963 written. They are common sense, and the state bills that protect our lands for all use. The Kluane River area should be protected from restrictive legislation in progress. This area is an important resource for a better world and should not be completely closed to a type of to a more utilized use in South East Alaska includes hunting, recreation, trapping and a wide variety of other uses that should be our policy. It is as important to me, my children & my neighbors children that these lands remain open, well protected & protected from unwise use. Alaska is Alaska because of how we live & what we do. Let us not make Alaska an afterthought or to lower it. Let us and ourselves a world for all.

William C. Hall

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19 JULY 2005

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SUBJECT KUKA RIVER PUBLIC USE AREA
DEAR SENATOR HUGGINS AND REPRESENTATIVE STOLTZ

I FULLY SUPPORT SUBJECT AND SUBJECT AS
WRITTEN. ALSO I FEEL THE AREA SHOULD BE
MANAGED FOR ALL FORMS OF USE AS LONG AS
NATURAL USE IS NOT RESTRICTED.

WE NEED THIS AREA TO PURSUE
OUR PREFERRED METHOD OF RECREATION

SINCERELY



JEFFREY L. HALLIDAY

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July 9 2005

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State Capitol, Room 501
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

I fully support HB 327 and SB 197 as they are. The Knik River drainage and Tim Creek area should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicle and boats. I use this area responsibly and would like to continue to do so in the future.

Thank you for your efforts in preserving our access.

Sincerely,

Sam Dellman
Gary Dellman

Allen Hoffer

Stacey Hoffer
6607 Fairweather Dr
Anchorage, AK 99518

July 19, 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
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Subject: Kik River Public Use Area

I fully support ^{HB 307 and} SB 197 as it's written. I support the use of our public lands in the Kik Area. I believe the Kik River drainage and Jim Creek area should be "managed" for use by all forms of recreation to include motorized users. Do not restrict the use of Public Lands. I believe ^{only accepts} managing the public lands is the key to allow all users to utilize the Kik River basin.


Stacey Hoffer
Stacey M. Hoffer

Allen Hoffer
Allen Hoffer

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I believe that HB307 and SB197 as put forward are good for the OHV community. I also believe the Knik River drainage and Tim creek should be managed for all types of usage "recreation" including motorized access. South Central Alaska needs places such as Knik/Tim creek to be designated for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

Eric Morse


Charlie Higgins
State Capitol Hill 417
Rm 200
Bill Stolro
Rm State Capitol Rm 501
Juneau Ak 99801
600 Kachemak Ave.
Winnetka 99654

Richard E. Gilson
P.O. Box 232764
Anch Ak 99507

Subject: Kusk. River ~~Publ.~~ Public Use Area.

Dear Senator Higgins and Representative Stolro

I fully support HB 307 and Senate Bill 197
as they are written.

The Kusk. drainage and June Creek area should
be managed for best forms of recreation as long
as motorized access is not limited any more
than it is presently.

South Central Alaska needs a plan such as the
Kusk. area for motorized sports access. Management
of the existing area will help prevent ~~un~~
unauthorized and potentially damaging uses
in other areas. The nature of this valley lends
itself to self-restoration through flooding
and wind covered sand.

Regards

Richard Gilson

1301 West 76th
Anchorage AK 99518

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Bill Stoltze
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Wasilla, AK, 99654

I am writing this letter to show my support
for HD 307, and SB 197. I use the Juneau area for
fishing and duck hunting and would like to continue to be
able to go there.

I would like to see the wildlife area remain open to
all users on the ice, water or land. All season use. I have
used this area since 1983 for ATV and fishing uses.

Thank you for your support on these issues.

Sincerely,
Todd Stoltze

Charles M. Knicht
3600 TRIGG DR
ANCHORAGE, AK 99516

July 18, 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol Rm 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave
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Bill Slotyre
State Capitol, Rm 501
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Sirs:

I am in support of HB307 & SB197.

The Kupuk River drainage and the Jun Creek Area should be managed for all forms of outdoor recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.

This area has been a place of outdoor use of all kinds as long as I can remember and myself as well as my family members continue to use the area each year. Motorized & off-road use should continue to be ~~the~~ designated uses.

Sincerely
Charles M. Knicht

SENATOR CHARLIE HUGGINS
STATE CAPITOL, RM 417
JUNEAU AK 99801-1182

600 E. RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA AK 99654

REPRESENTATIVE BILL STOLZE
STATE CAPITOL, RM 501
JUNEAU AK 99801-1182

600 E RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA AK 99654

RE: KNIK RIVER PUBLIC USE AREA

DEAR CHARLIE + BILL,

I FULLY SUPPORT HB 307 AND SB 197 JUST AS YOU INTRODUCED THEM. THIS AREA IS VITALLY IMPORTANT AS A "FULL ACCESS" RECREATIONAL AREA. THE ANCHORAGE/MATSU AREA NEEDS A PLACE FOR ALL ALASKA RESIDENTS TO USE. AS AN ATV ER, HUNTER AND FISHERMAN I HAVE NO PROBLEM SHARING USE OF THIS, OR ANY OTHER AREA, WITH ANY OTHER PERSON, NO MATTER HOW THEY GOT THERE.

AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR INTRODUCING THIS LEGISLATION, IF I CAN DO ANYTHING TO SUPPORT PASSAGE, UNCHANGED, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.

SINCERELY

Mike Erickson

MIKE ERICKSON
10050 WREN LANE
EAGLE RIVER AK
99577

7-19-05

Karen Lunden
4820 O'Malley Rd.
Anch AK 99507

July 19, 2005

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Bill Stutzel
State Capitol, Room 501
Juneau, AK 99801
600 E Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

RE: Kusk River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins & Representative Stutzel

I fully support HB337 and SB197 as they are written. The Kusk River Drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central needs a place like Kusk River to be open to motorized off road vehicles, boats & planes & snow machines.

As a family we have ^{used} the area for motorized recreation for the last 20 years. We treat the area with the same respect. Beautiful areas deserve. Restricting the area will only keep the honest people out not the ones causing the damage. Thank you for your efforts in saving the area for us.

Sincerely, Karen Lunden

To

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau, Ak. 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave.
Wasilla, Ak. 99654

6707 Feathill Circle
Anchorage, Ak 99524
July 19, 2005

Bill Stoltze
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Re: Knik River Public Use

To restrict or close knik access would ensure the demise of these lands. Folks who use these lands there must are interested in preserving them along with using them. The destruction of knik is by vandalous teens and locals looking for a dumping ground. I fully support HB307 & SB197 just as they are and encourage the lands being managed as long as motorized vehicles are not limited or restricted. ~~The~~ Knik is a wonderful meeting place for folks to enjoy the fruits of Alaska. My family and I frequent knik many times throughout the year and would be very disappointed if it was closed.

Thankyou for securing access for all to use

Sincerely,

L. Angie Freckle
L. Angie Freckle
Life long Alaskan

11034 Buskin Circle
Eagle River, AK 99577
July 19, 2005

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Wasilla, AK 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area;

Being an avid user of this area, I have become concerned with the possibility of the Knik River/Sims Creek area becoming closed to the public. I think that bills HB307 and SB197 will be effective in solving any problems there seems to be in this area.

The major use of this area among my friends and I, is the trip to the Glacier. If this area is closed to motorized vehicles this becomes impossible for us due to the fact that it is a 26 mile trip and we travel with young kids.

Overall, the use of this area provides a place for our age group to get away from our busy lives and have a safe place to camp with families. Thank you for taking the time to consider this option.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Frey *Stephanie Frey*

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol Room 417
Juneau AK 99801-1172
600 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla AK 99654

Michael Oppgaard
9919 Annette Cir
Eagle River AK 99577

Bill Stoltze
State Capitol Room 501
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To Whom it may concern:

I fully believe and support HB307 and SB197 as they are written. The Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all types and styles of recreation as long as motorized access is not cut off. South Central Alaska needs more places such as Knik River/Jim's Creek designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

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Eagle River AK
99577

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Bill Stoltze
State Capitol Room 501
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Wasilla AK 99654

Dear Charlie and Bill,

I would like to say that I fully support HB 307 and SB 497 as they are written.

I believe that the Knik river drainage and Sim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.

South Central Alaska NEEDS a place such as the Knik ~~river~~ River to be a designated destination for ATVs and other assorted off-road vehicles and boats.

Sincerely,
Jens J. Jorgensen

3075 Teleguana Drive Unit 18
Anchorage, AK 99517
July 19, 2005

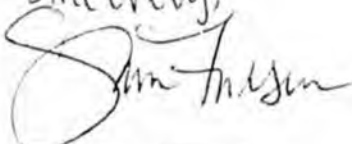
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State Capitol, Room 501
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Re: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins and Representative Stoltze:

As a responsible motorized user of Alaska's waterways and offroad areas I fully support HB307 and SB197 as they are written. I believe that the Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off highway vehicles and boats.

Sincerely,

Sam Friesen

Brian Huey
6001 Azalea Dr.
Anchorage, AK 99516

Charlie Huggins
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Bill Stoltze
State Capitol, Room 501
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Dear Mr. Huggins & Mr. Stoltze,

I'm writing to inform you that I'm fully in support of HB307 & SB197. Management of the Knik River drainage will be alright as long as motorized access is not restricted.

An area is required for motorized offroad use & the Knik River drainage is one area that ~~is~~ is perfect for this.

Cheers,

Brian Huey

Aaron Huey
6001 Azalea Dr
Anchorage, AK 99516

July 14, 2005

To: Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Rm 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Bill Stoltze
State Capitol, Rm 501
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Dear Charlie & Bill,

I have personally used the Knik River area for many years. I completely support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written.

I believe that the Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.

Southeastern Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River for use by motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

This area is very valuable to our families and friends. Please protect our responsible motorized access to this area.

Sincerely,

Aaron Huey
Aaron Huey

Joel Barakat

Sincerely,

area many times.

This area should not be closed to motorized vehicles I have personally used this

I fully support HB307 & SB197.

RE: Kule River Public Access

Bill Stoltz
State Capital
Tucson, AZ 9901-1182

State Capital Room 417
Tucson, AZ 9901-1182

To: Charlie Huggins

Joel Barakat
4302 Mayfield Ave
Arusha, AZ 99516
7/11/87

Dolores M. Fox
2101 Stanford Dr
Anchorage, AK - 99508

July 19, 2005

Charles J. Jennings Senator
State Capitol
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Wasilla - AK - 99654

Representative
Bill Stolze
State Capitol, Rm 301
Juneau - AK - 99801-1182
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Wasilla AK -

Re: Knik River Public Use Area

- * I am in support of HB 3077 & SB 197
as written of record
- * Both the Knik River & Inupiauk should
be managed for everyone & all types of
recreation - motorized access ~~is~~ is
not to be restricted
- * The South Central Alaska Area near
the Knik River to be a designated
destination for motorized off-highway
vehicles & boats -

Thank you for considering my
concerns -

Dolores M. Fox
Keeve M. Fox

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EAGLE RIVER, AK 99577
JULY 19, 2005

CHARLIE HUGGINS
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 417
JUNEAU, AK 99801-1182
COOKE RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA, AK 99654

BILL STOLTZ
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 501
JUNEAU, AK 99801-1182
COOKE RAILROAD AVE
WASILLA, AK 99654

DEAR SIR:

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO INFORM YOU OF
MY FULL SUPPORT OF HB307 AND SB197 AS THEY
ARE WRITTEN. I FEEL AS THOUGH THE KITIK RIVER
DRAINAGE AND JIM CREEK SHOULD BE MANAGED
FOR ALL FORMS OF RECREATION AS LONG AS
MOTORIZED ACCESS IS NOT RESTRICTED. SOUTH
CENTRAL ALASKA IS ALSO IN NEED OF SUCH A
PLACE AS THE KITIK RIVER TO BE A
DESIGNATED DESTINATION FOR MOTORIZED OFF ~~THE~~
HIGHWAY VEHICLES AND BOATS

AS THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME

Sincerely,
STEPHANIE JASPER

Clifton Tweedy
2101 Stanford Rd
Anch, AK 99508

Sen. Huggins and Rep. Stolte
5th Capital Bldg.
Juneau, AK 99801-1152

Gentlemen:

Thank you for SB 197 and HB 307 which I fully support.

Motorized access should not be restricted. Area should be managed for all uses.

This Area Kwik River and Jim Creek Drainage should be for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

Thanks again for your concern and help.

Clifton Tweedy
907-258-6425

4705 A Gray LP
Elmendorf AFB, AK
99506

July 19, 2005

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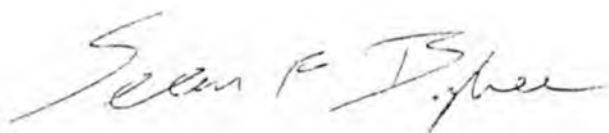
Subject: Kenik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins and Representative Stolze

I completely and fully support HB307 and SB197 as they are written. I support the idea that the Kenik River and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Kenik River area to be set aside/designated for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

Thank you for your efforts in preserving our access.

Sincerely,



Sean F Bybee

DANIEL HERTRICH
5309 SAND LAKE RD
ANCHORAGE AK 99502

7/19/05

ATTN

CHARLIE HUGGINS
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 517
JUNEAU, AK 99801-1152
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WASILLA AK 99654

BILL STOLTZE
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 501
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AS AN OFF ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLE (OHV) USER
OF KNIK RIVER AREAS ON A REGULAR BASIS I
FULLY SUPPORT HB 307 AND SB 197.

I, ALONG WITH NUMEROUS FRIENDS, ARE RESPONSIBLE
ATV USERS OF THIS AREA SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH
WE SEE HUNDREDS OF OTHER OHV USERS IN THIS
AREA WHO ENJOY THE OPEN ACCESS - THE ONLY
OPEN ACCESS AREA WITHIN A REASONABLE DRIVING
DISTANCE FROM ANCHORAGE

THIS AREA MUST REMAIN OPEN FOR OHV USERS
OTHERWISE WE WILL HAVE ~~NO~~ LITTLE CHOICE BUT
TO RESTRICT THE AMOUNT OF TIME WE SPEND
ENJOYING THE OUTDOORS OF OUR STATE. WE WOULD
NO LONGER ENJOY THE BASIC RIGHT TO RECREATE
ON STATE LANDS.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ACCESS TO THE KNIK RIVER AREA
IS NOT RESTRICTED IN ANY WAY SO THAT CONTINUED
RESPONSIBLE IS AVAILABLE TO US.

DANIEL HERTRICH

Daniel Hertrich

July 18, 2005

William Huggan
State Capital, Room 411
Tomball, TX 77451-1182
601 E. Loop West, Suite
1000, Houston, TX 77054

Bill Blotzer
State Capital, Room 501
Tomball, TX 77451-1182
601 E. Loop West, Suite
1000, Houston, TX 77054

Dear Senator Huggan and Representative Blotzer:

I support your bills to

fully support the 30% and 33% in

the 2005-2006 budget and also support
the 2006-2007 budget. I support
the 2006-2007 budget and the 2007-2008
budget. I support the 2006-2007
budget and the 2007-2008 budget.

The 2006-2007 budget and the 2007-2008
budget are both good. I support
the 2006-2007 budget and the 2007-2008
budget. I support the 2006-2007
budget and the 2007-2008 budget.

Thank you for your service.

W. H. Huggan - 3826 E. Sam Houston Ave, Houston, TX 77051
Bill Blotzer

BILL EASTHAM
12841 BRANDON ST
ANCHORAGE, AK 99515
July 2 2005

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE STOLTZ
AND SENATOR HIGGINS

I SUPPORT YOUR BILLS SB 117 AND HB 307
AS YOU AND YOUR STAFF HAVE WRITTEN.

THE KUIK RIVER DRAINAGE SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN
CARE OF A LONG TIME AGO.

MY FAMILY HAS BEEN USING THIS AREA SINCE 1969,
MY FIRST ATV WAS A "AMPHICAT".

I ALSO WAS PRESIDENT OF THE MATSU MOTOR
MUSHER'S CLUB AND WE HAD A CLEAN UP DAY
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BOROUGH CLEAN UP
DAY, WE HAD FREE USE OF THE DUMPSTER.

SO I REALLY SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS
THANK YOU

Bill Eastham

Ty Newman
3046 E 64th
Anchorage AK 99507
7-19-05

Charles Huggins
State Capital, Room 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
600 E Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

Bill Stoltze
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Wasilla, AK 99654

I Fully support HB 307 and SB 177
- motorized access and The Alaska outdoors is why
I live in this STATE - Remove these rights and I will
lose my desire to live here.

Thanks,

Ty Newman

6707 Foothill Cir
Anchorage AK 99504

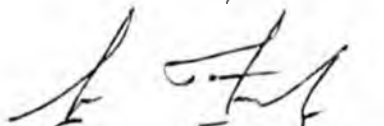
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Subject Kink River public use Area

My family and I have been using Kink/Jin creek Area since the mid 80's for ATV & OHV use. I am in full support of HB307 and SB197 exactly as they are written. The Kink River drainage and Jin Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized use is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place to be a designated destination for motorized off highway vehicles & Boats.

Thanks for your support in these matters.


SAM Freebuc

KURT B. HALL
17516 N. JUANITA LA.
EAGLE RIVER, AK 99577

JULY 19, 2005

CHARLIE HIGGINS
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 417
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BILL STOLTZE
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 501
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DEAR SIRS,

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO SHOW MY
SUPPORT OF HB327 AND SB197, AS THEY ARE
WRITTEN.

THE KNIK RIVER DRAINAGE AND JIM CREEK
SHOULD BE MANAGED FOR EVERY FORM OF
RECREATION. MOTORIZED ACCESS SHOULD NOT BE
RESTRICTED.

SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA NEEDS A PLACE
SUCH AS THE KNIK RIVER TO BE A DESIGNATED
DESTINATION FOR MOTORIZED VEHICLES, SUCH
AS OHV'S AND ATV'S, AS WELL AS BOATS.

Sincerely,



PO BOX 185
PALMER AK 99645
JULY 19, 2005

CHARLIE HUGGINS
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BILL STOLZE
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 501
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DON SIR OR MADAM -

I FULLY SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 307 AND SENATE
BILL 197 TO CREATE A KULUK RIVER PUBLIC
USE AREA.

I BELIEVE THAT THIS AREA SHOULD BE FOR
MULTIPLE USE WITH OFF ROAD MOTORIZED USE
A PRIORITY BECAUSE OF THE TRADITIONAL USE
OF THIS AREA AND THE CLOSE PROXIMITY
OF ANCHORAGE (THE MOST HIGHLY POPULATED
CITY IN ALASKA.)

UNLIMITED OFF ROAD USE OF THIS AREA
FOR THE LAST 50 YEARS OR MORE HAS
NOT DONE ANY SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO
WATER FOWL, GAME, FISH, OR HABITAT.

SINCERELY,

DICK COURTS

8421 STACY CR
TUCH, AK 99807

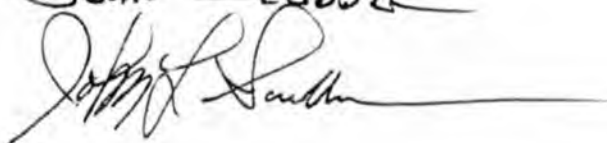
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I fully support HB307 AND SB197 AS THEY ARE WRITTEN. THE KNIE RIVER DRAINAGE AND JING CREEK SHOULD BE MANAGED FOR ALL FORMS OF RECREATION AS LONG AS MOTORIZED ACCESS IS NOT RESTRICTED.

SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA NEEDS A PLACE SUCH AS THE KNIE RIVER TO BE DESIGNATED DESTINATION FOR MOTORIZED OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES AND BOATS

S.M.C. S. 2005
JOHN SCHOELL


July 19, 2005

Charlie Huggin
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Wasilla AK 99654

Bill Stoltze
State Capitol, Rm 501
Juneau AK 99801-1182
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Wasilla AK 99654

Dear Sirs:

I support fully HB307 and SB197 as they are written.

As long as motorized access is not restricted, the Knik River drainage and Jim Creek area should be managed for all forms of recreation.

South Central Alaska needs a place like the Knik River area to be designated for off-road vehicle use.

Thank you for your time

Michael T. Jacquot
Michael Jacquot

200 W 34th Ave #1006
Anchorage AK 99503

243-2581

Chicago
Illinois
Chicago, Illinois

It must be good for the general
user that will only increase the potential
user benefit. Keep Knit Rite and Jimp Creek
as all the additional uses

HERZ and S 197 are fully supported as
users

Box 113287
Chicago, IL 60651
July 19, 2005
Bill Steitz
State Capital, Room 417
Jury, AR 99801-1152
600 E. Railroad Ave
Lusk, IL, AR, 7654

Charles Higgins
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721 Dickerson Dr
Anchorage, AK 99504
July 20, 2005

Charlie Huggins
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Juneau, AK 99801-1182
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Wasilla, AK 99754

Bill Stoltz
State Capitol, Room 501
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
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Wasilla, AK 99754

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins and Representative Stoltz:

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written. The Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats.

It is important that all users have access in a central location to the recreational activity of their choice. Alaska is a huge state and there must be room for its inhabitants to enjoy this great state. Please continue to fight for the right of all Alaskans to recreate as they choose.

Sincerely,
Cathy C. Brandt
Cathy C. Brandt

July 19, 2005

P.O. Box 110917
Anchorage, AK 99511

To:

Charlie Huggins
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Juneau, AK 99801-1182
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Wasilla, AK 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

- I fully support HB307 and SB197 as they are written
- The Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.
- South Central Alaska needs a place such as Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats
- Without the Knik River and Jim Creek area to use for recreation, OHV's users would be forced to find new areas, and create new areas and trails that will more than likely be undesirable to the general public. The other thing that will happen is that people will just continue to use these areas illegally at the inconvenience of the already burdened enforcement officials. The people that do these 'create cleanup' type events should be praised and encouraged so that the recreational land can remain intact and clean.

Sincerely,
ROSS BERGMAN

Ross Bergman

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Anchorage, AK. 99504
July 17, 2005

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600 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Sirs,

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written.

The Kenik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska definitely needs a place such as the Kenik River/Jim Creek area designated for use of off road vehicles and Boats -

Sincerely Brian Brandt
Brian Brandt

**SECTION 3. LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO SENATOR
CHARLIE HUGGINS FOR SB 301 AND HB 197.**

HCO# Box 7459
Palmer, AK 99645

July 20 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Rm 417
Juneau, AK. 99801-1182
650 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senators Huggins & Representative Claitor,

We have lost more than enough of our lands rights.
Not the least of which under Federal restrictions
is over 10 Million acres in Alaska - Alone!
With that in mind I fully support HR 307 and
SB 197 as they are written. The Knik River
and Jim Creek area should be Multiple Use
with no one restricted - emphasis added.

Sincerely

Mike Mordant

Buffy Meyer
HCOS Box 6930-E
Palmer, AK 99645
7/20/2005

Charlie Huggins,

On the subject of Knik River Public Use Area I fully support HB307 + SB197 as they are written.

The Knik River drainage + the Yon Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.

The Knik River area is a great ~~place to be~~ designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles and boats in South Central Alaska.

Thank you for your efforts in preserving our access.

Buffy Meyer

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad AVE.
Wasilla, AK 99654

John L. Otcheck
P.O. Box 582
Palmer, AK. 99645

July 20, 2005

I think South Central Alaska needs a
recreational place. I think Jim Creek
is a grate place for that, I also think
it should not be restricted for motorized
access. I support bills HB 307 + SB 197
John L. Otcheck
John S. Otcheck

July 20, 2005

Bruce W. Edwards

Box 493

Palmer, Alaska 99645

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol

Dear Senator Huggins:

I support HB 307 and SB 197.

I believe in unrestricted access for
motorized and non-motorized
conveyances in the Jim Creek and
Knib River drainages.

With all the parks and restricted
zones in Alaska, we need an
area where unrestricted access and
activities can be enjoyed by
all.

Thank you,

Bruce W. Edwards

Senator Charlie Huggins
600 E. Railroad Ave.
Wasilla AK 99654

Jim P. Hitchcock
PO Box ~~99654~~ 876973
Wasilla AK 99657
20 July '85

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Senator Huggins:

I fully support HB 307 & SB 197 as they are written. The Knik River drainage and Jim^R should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted. South Central Alaska needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for motorized off-highway vehicles etc.

Many thanks for your efforts in preserving our access

Most Sincerely

Jim P. Hitchcock
Jim P. Hitchcock

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau AK 99801

July 20, 07

Dear Senator Huggins,

I support both HB307 & SB197. I hope they will not be modified. I think the Kwik River drainage area and Jim Creek areas should be managed for all forms of recreation, INCLUDING motorized access. By this I mean motorized access should be allowed and not restricted.

While on Kwik River Road I have lived in the Kwik River Valley since 1960, long before Kwik River Road was built. As a child and as an adult, I have used this area to ski, snowshoe, camp, dog sled, walk, hike, photograph, bicycle, pick berries, boat, canoe, aircraft, formerly 3-wheelers and to jeep. Now we annually take to Kwik River Tractor with our 4-wheelers and 6-wheelers. We responsibly use streams, do not stray or posted or known private property, and do not speed. We bring our trash back with us.

I think we need these bills to protect your rights to continue to use the Kwik River Valley.

Thank you,
Theresa Hicks

Theresa Hicks
HCOA Box 7691B, Palmer AK 99645

CAROLYN KUCH
PO BOX 1732
PALMER AK 99645

7.26.05

CHARLIE HUGGINS
STATE CAPITOL -- ROOM 417
JUNEAU AK 99801-1182

RE: KNIK RIVER PUBLIC USE AREA


DEAR CHARLIE,

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY OPINION OF SUPPORTING CONTINUED USE OF THE KNIK RIVER AREA. I HAVE USED THE KNIK RIVER AREA FOR MANY TYPES OF RECREATION EVERY YEAR SINCE 1989. OUR FAMILY LIVES ON KNIK RIVER ROAD. WE ENJOY CAMPING, CANOEING, HIKING, HORSEBACK RIDING, 4-WHEELING (ATV & 4X4 VEHICLES), AIRBOATING, FLIGHTSEEING, AND WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY IN THIS AREA REGULARLY. OUR FAMILY PHOTO ALBUM CHRONICLES MANY HAPPY MEMORIES OF KNIK RIVER ADVENTURES.

I FULLY SUPPORT HB307 AND SB197 AS THEY ARE WRITTEN. I FEEL STRONGLY THAT THIS AREA SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL FORMS OF RECREATION... MOTORIZED AND NON-MOTORIZED.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND (CONSIDERATION). I APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE IN JUNEAU, AND I KNOW YOU NOT ONLY LISTEN -- YOU TRULY CARE. THANK AGAIN, AND KEEP UP THE 'GOOD WORK'!

Sincerely,


CAROLYN KUCH
ALASKA RESIDENT

Bill & Michelle Booth
P.O. Box 3782
Palmer, Alaska 99645

July 19, 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Room 417
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182
400 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, Alaska 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Sir and Madam:

We are writing to you today to let you know we are fully in support of HB307 and SB197 as they are written.

We feel the Knik River drainage and Jim Creek should be managed for all forms of recreation as long as motorized access is not restricted.

We have enjoyed the Knik River area for years and we would like our children to have the same opportunities we have had to enjoy this area.

Thank you

Michelle and William Booth

P.O. Box 1585
Palmer, AK 99645
20 July 05

Senator Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Rm 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Senator Huggins:

As a 36-year Alaskan resident and a frequent user of the Knik River drainage area for hunting, fishing, camping, skiing, 4-wheeling, snow machineing, and boating, I believe that SC AK needs a place such as the Knik River to be a designated destination for all users, including motorized off-highway vehicles & boats.

Further, I fully support HB307 and SB197 as written,

Sincerely,

Jeff Jackman



Box 2826
Palmer, AK 99645

July 20, 2005

Charlie Huggins
State Capitol, Rm 417
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
600 E. Railroad Ave
Wasilla, AK 99654

Subject: Knik River Public Use Area

Dear Sir:

After attending four different meetings concerning these lands, please consider the following ideas -

I fully support HB 307 and SB 197 as they are written -

The Knik River drainage + Tim Creek should be managed for all kinds of recreation including motorized access

The people of South Central Alaska needs this area, Knik River, for designated motorized off-highway vehicles and boats

Sincerely,
Gary K. Jasper

Gary K. Jasper