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Paul Anderson, Superintendent Denali National Park and Preserve P.O. Box 9 Denali, AK 99775

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The State of Alaska reviewed the Environmental Assessment for the proposed Savage River Area Rest Stop in Denali National Park and Preserve. The following represents the consolidated views of State resource agencies.

The State appreciates the National Park Service's (Service) efforts to provide needed facilities that also increase opportunities for visitor use and enjoyment of the park's frontcountry. As such, we encourage the Service to follow this initial action with the additional "possible future" facilities that align with this project (i.e., Savage Alpine Trail trailheads and a short interpretive loop trail) as referenced in Section 1.1, "Purpose of and Need for Action."

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Susan E. Magee

ANILCA Project Coordinator

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