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Terry Carlstrom
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Dear Terry:

The State CSU Contacts, representing State agencies active in ANILCA implementation, met on 10 March 1982. The National Park Service's Wild and Scenic River studies on the Kisaralik, Sheenjek and Porcupine were discussed in context with the request that the State select a preferred alternative for each river. It was the unanimous consensus of the State CSU Contacts that the State can not support any of the alternatives until the following informational needs have been met:

1. Attached is the State of Alaska's issues list for Conservation System Unit planning. Many of these issues have been discussed with the National Park Service during Wild and Scenic River planning meetings. However, the State has not received any guarantees that, under designation, the State's interests will be addressed and protected in the river plans.
2. We have requested an opinion of our attorney general's office regarding legal rights of the State relative to such specific questions as fish and wildlife management, access, water management, public use, and navigability within Wild and Scenic River designations.

Until these concerns are adequately resolved, the State will be forced to support the "No Action" alternatives. The State CSU Contacts prefer not to take such a position if resolution is progressing.

We look forward to hearing from you and working closely with you in acquiring a resolution in the near future so that the implementation of ANILCA may progress in the public's interest.

Sincerely,



Sterling Eide
State CSU Coordinator