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Re: Kisaralik working draft EIS

Dear Jack:

Thank you for the opportunity to informally review the working draft EIS for the Kisaralik Wild and Scenic River study. Attached are the comments we received from active participants in several State agencies. We hope this will assist you in putting out an accurate published Draft EIS.

We wish to remind you again that the State agencies have <u>NOT</u> agreed that: 1) the Kisaralik River qualifies, or 2) that a Wild designation is the preferred alternative. The State remains opposed to any designation of the Kisaralik River until the management implications of designation, relative to the State's General Issues List, have been clarified by the National Park Service and Fish and Wildlife Service. We recommend that the National Park Service seek a resolution to this conflict prior to publication of the Draft EIS. If this is not accomplished, the State's position should be clearly and factually presented in the document. This will allow the public to have an accurate EIS for review and comments.

Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance. We look forward to working with you toward implementation of ANILCA in the public's interest.

Sincerely

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Attachment

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