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Alaska Department of Fish and Game CSU Planning Office Attn: Tina Cunning 333 Raspberry Road Anchorage, AK 99502

Dear Tina:

I wish to thank you for your letters of May 11, 1983, transmitting to various Fish and Wildlife Service personnel copies of the State's draft Resource Management Recommendations (RMR's) for 15 of the National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska. The drafts will be of great assistance to us in identifying State issues and concerns for consideration in preparing comprehensive conservation plans. They will also help us understand State positions relating to those issues and concerns. Wherever feasible, we will incorporate the actions and/or policies advocated in the RMR's into one or more of the alternatives developed in each plan. We have no suggestions, at this point, for improving the drafts.

Norm Olson, Pete Jerome, and Leslie Kerr, the three people leading the planning efforts for individual refuges, will continue to work closely with Department personnel in developing comprehensive plans. Their responsibilities, however, relate primarily to individual refuge plans. Please address future correspondence relating to comprehensive planning in general, or to multiple plans in which more than one team is involved, to Art Wemmerus, Chief, Refuge Planning.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Regional Director