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Dear Mr. Marsh:

The State of Alaska is currently reviewing the Bureau of Land Management's Draft Manual Section concerning Wild and Scenic Rivers -- Policy and Program Direction For Identification, Evaluation and Management. Notice of this proposed review was published in the Federal Register on June 18, 1991. Unfortunately, the State of Alaska did not receive review copies of the manual section until mid-July.

In light of the short review time remaining, I am writing to inform you that the State will be unable to comment by the July 26 deadline. We have, however, initiated an accelerated review and expect to have comments to your office by mid-August. I have spoken with BLM staff in both Washington D.C. (Bob Schneider) and Alaska (Paul Boos) who felt that this would probably not present a problem at your end.

We will make every effort to get consolidated State comments to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,



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State CSU Coordinator