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Attention John C. Doro:

The State of Alaska has reviewed the scoping materials mailed out on March 8 concerning commercially outfitted and guided recreational activities in western Prince William Sound. This letter represents the consolidated comments of the State's resource agencies. We apologize for the delayed response.

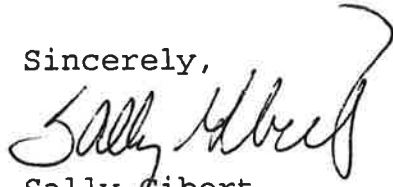
Consistent with State of Alaska comments on U.S. Forest Service actions in the past, the Forest Service should take care not to overstep State jurisdictions or imply it has the authority to manage public uses on state land, including state-owned tidelands. In light of this longstanding dispute, subsequent documents should, at a minimum, acknowledge this federal-State jurisdictional issue.

We agree that all applicants will need a permit since they need to use federal uplands. The Forest Service permit, however, does not extend to state water or tidelands. Applicants who use tidelands for more than 14 days need a state land use permit as well.

If the Forest Service foresees that subsequent actions could entail additional permits, then compliance with the Alaska Coastal Management Program may also be necessary. If so, please contact this office for additional clarification.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office at 561-6131.

Sincerely,



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cc:

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**CSU Distribution List  
Chugach Forest Guide/Outfitter Permits  
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