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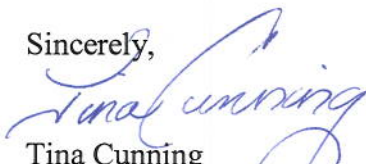
Dear Mr. Moore:

As you know, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game is conducting detailed, multi-year studies concerning genetics of various fisheries populations in Western Alaska. One portion of this project involves non-lethal genetic tissue sampling of chum salmon in a portion of the Alagnak River that flows through the exterior boundary of Katmai National Park and Preserve. The Department is conducting this work pursuant to the Western Alaska Salmon Stock Identification Program under a Memorandum of Understanding with ten Native, Borough and Fisheries Associations. We provided information about the overall study as well as specifics relating to the Alagnak River at your staff's request under separate cover.

We invite Katmai National Park and Preserve to be a cooperator in the portion of the project on the Alagnak River. We recognize your interest in more fully understanding the information gathered through this work. If the National Park Service is potentially interested in becoming a cooperator in the larger research project, we would be happy to discuss that with you at your convenience.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Tina Cunning
Special Assistant

cc: Sally Gibert, State ANILCA Program Coordinator