

To Whom it may Concern,

Of the alternatives listed I prefer alternative 2, with a large percentage of the money going to protect land on Kodiak and Afognak Island. With this critical habitat protected, over time the region will recover on its own, however without this habitat its long-term future is in jeopardy.

I would recommend that any funds used to increase existing human use of the spill area be done cautiously. If done correctly tourism can go hand in hand with a healthy environment, but if it is not closely watched and regulated it can be highly destructive to the ecosystem.

Thankfully,

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Gentlemen:

After studying the draft EIS for proposed INS Infrastructure Improvement Project, Seeward, we recommend alternative II.

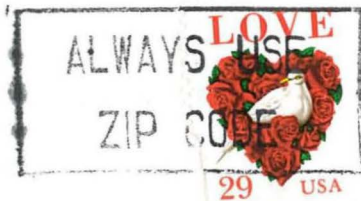
We are land owners in Alaska and have closely studied all proposals concerning rehabilitation of areas affected by the accidental oil spill.

We do not believe it is in the public interest to enhance prior existing conditions at the expense of the public or Exxon Corporation by initiating new projects at public/Exxon expense. The incident was an accident.

Sincerely,

Raymond & Wanita Williamson

MR. & MRS. RAYMOND WILLIAMSON
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EVOS Trustee Council
Attn: DEIS Comments
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July 2., 1994

Dear Trustees,

I believe that the best use of the \$900 million that Exxon paid in civil fines as a result of the oil spill is the purchase of land and/or timber rights on land that is important as habitat to the many species affected by the oil spill.

In your draft plan, only one third of the funds available are dedicated to the protection of habitat. I believe that the amount should be at least twice that.

My own priorities include the river valleys inside the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, the forests on Afognak Island, coastlines along Kenai Fjords National Park, Eyak Corporation lands in the east portion of Prince William Sound, Chenega Corporation lands in the west portion, and Knight Island.

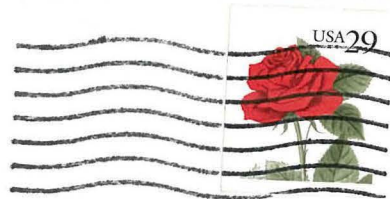
Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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Proposed IMS Infrastructure Improvement Project,
Seward Alaska

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Proposed Institute of Marine Science Infrastructure Improvement Project

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I support and recommend Alternative III - No Action

State revenues continue to spiral downward, and no clarification of maintenance and staffing costs that a research and wildlife rehabilitation, and public education-visitor facility would entail are known. The City of Seward would be unfavorably financially impacted, and the quality of life in the summer would deteriorate with the additional pollution from exhausts of fuel and waste discharged from the influx of many more cruise ships into Seward. Tour busses and private vehicular traffic would increase to an intolerable level within the city, stressing public facilities, and certainly ruin any pretense to the small-town ambience enjoyed by the year-round residents. If the proposed center is non-profit, revenues from utilities will not offset the cost of building and maintaining adequate utility service, and treatment and discharge of waste from the facility. Revenues from visitors would be expected to be minimal as most will be on tours where food and lodging expenses will have been included as part of their costs.

These additional visitors can be expected to not only impact the City of Seward, but an already overburdened highway with summer traffic. Seventeen tour buses in a row, as mentioned in an Anchorage Daily News article, is apparently not unusual at present.

The proposal says revenue from public education and visitation is to be used to help offset the operational costs of all the proposed improvements; yet also states that approximately \$10 million is to be raised from private donors and fund raising efforts to finance the public education and visitation component of the project. The major private firms who might be expected to make donations are experiencing cutbacks in operations in Alaska, with the resulting effect of heavy competition for any remaining financial donations.

Without dedicated and perpetual funding for research, wildlife rehabilitation, visitor educational efforts, and basic facility maintenance, the center staff will expend most of their duties toward seeking adequate operating monies, thereby abrogating the goal of an effective research center.

Keeping wildlife in captivity for research has already been proven controversial, expensive, and results questioned in such centers in the lower 48 states. Alaska, with its boom/bust economy, windfalls, and short-term bonanzas has built many facilities from such funds, but is consistently unable to sustain and maintain them as envisioned in their proposals.

Katherine West

Katherine N. West

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DEIS PHONE COMMENT LOG

Name	Affiliation	Phone	Address
Earl Baker		(916) 421-5545	Sacramento, CA

Date of initial contact with EVOS: 7/7/94 Talked to: Klinge

Comments:

Did not see any preventative measures addressed in either DEIS or DRP. Would like to see preventative measures added

Wants laws to be changed to have double hulls. (± Explained CTA '90 to him)

Will habitat acquired become Wilderness Areas?
Does not want to see many more people or actions such as mining and logging on acquired land.

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Mary Sinker
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July 5, 1994

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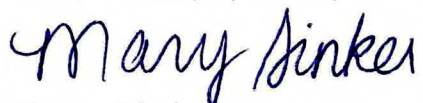
Re: Draft Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Plan and Related
Environmental Impact Statement

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please proceed with the restoration in accordance with sound scientific principles and utilize the funds available in the most effective, cost-efficient manner. Habitat protection and the acquisition of habitat should be a top priority in the restoration process.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Mary Sinker

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Dear Sir/Madam:

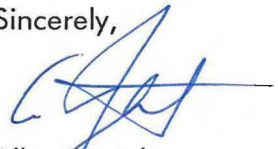
I am writing in response to the draft plan (the DEIS) on the use of the Exxon Settlement Funds. Specifically, I am opposed to using any additional funds to purchase uplands.

The Exxon oil spill was harmful to a variety of water related plants and animals. Many environmental groups, such as the Rainforest Coalition and the Sierra Club, have an agenda of using the Settlement Funds to purchase large tracts of uplands, which were completely untouched by the oil spill (Eyak lands near Cordova for example) or where the beachlines were lightly impacted (Afognak Island for example). There is no evidence that any of the wildlife or plants in the uplands areas still are impacted by the oil spill and thereby need protection due to the oil spill. The proper use of the Exxon Settlement Funds would be to help fix the actual resources hurt by the oil spill and help prevent such an oil spill in the future.

The DEIS tries to strike a balance between the environmentalist creed of locking up more lands and truly fixing the problems left by the oil spill. I would strongly suggest that more funds be used on General Restoration (use 1/3 to 1/2 of the remaining funds or at least \$200 million dollars). I would also agree with the DEIS on the need for scientific studies, using \$200 to \$300 million dollars. However, there should be NO MORE FUNDS given for upland purchases. This will not help restore the water resources that were damaged, nor will it help prevent future oil spills from occurring, nor will it help to limit damage if another oil spill should happen. All it will do is provide another burden on the taxpayers (who have to fund the administration of new parks / refuges), remove current and potential taxpayers from the tax rolls (development and timber harvest pays business, property, income and severance taxes to local, state and federal governments whereas parks and refuges pay NO TAXES) and limit the use of large areas of lands to those rich enough to be able to pay to use them. More lands purchased means a subsidy to the rich and a loss to the average taxpayer and resident of the State of Alaska.

I appreciate the ability to comment on the DEIS and the use of the Settlement Funds. Please keep me informed on the process as it develops.

Sincerely,



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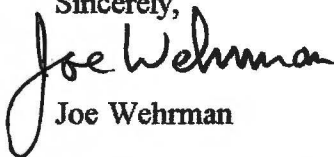
Dear Sirs:

Preservationist groups are flooding the country with highly biased and deceptive propaganda aimed at inciting the public to flood your offices with letters in support of using much of the settlement money to buy private land and resource rights in order to prevent development. I am writing to urge you to spend *NO* money on acquisition of land to prevent resource development from occurring.

Far too much of Alaska is already off limits to any viable resource development activities. There is no scientific rationale for locking up what little land is outside federal conservation areas and state parks as habitat or restoration land. The species that were indeed impacted by the oil spill already have their essential habitats well protected by the myriad of existing statutes and regulations in place now. We, as a nation, do not need to go even further in this effort to kill the very resource development options that made our nation the commanding economic power in the world. Most, if not all, the practices of the past that were truly damaging to the environment have long since been abandoned by the industries that the preservationists would have the public believe are the demons of the day.

Why not take the lead and put the nation's missing "logic" back into the word "ecological" instead of doing the politically correct thing that further erodes our nations economic future?

Sincerely,


Joe Wehrman

cc: Governor Walter J. Hickel

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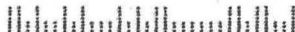
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July 7, 1994

Dear Sirs,

As a citizen and registered voter of Alaska, I would like to voice my concern regarding the disposition of the 900 million dollars paid by Exxon in 1991. The settlement required that the fines levied against Exxon would be used to restore wildlife populations, wilderness values and to restore the environment.

I have studied your plans and applaud your actions regarding Kachemak Bay State Park and Seal Bay, however I believe that too much of the remainder of the funds are being planned for "clean-up" boondoggles and studies ad-infinatum that will only line someone's pocket and will not prove to be in the best interest of Alaska. The prompt actions used to intervene in behalf of Kachemak Bay coincides with the wishes of the Alaska citizenry in general as demonstrated by the overwhelming support this action received. I believe that the state of Alaska has a unique opportunity to further protect some of its finer scenic treasures and natural resources from the threat of logging with careful disposition of these funds.

I am increasingly concerned by the steady assault on our Alaskan timber resources. The timber industry would like us all to believe that timber is a sustainable industry in Alaska. But anyone who has done any research into the matter knows that this isn't true. It takes many generations for timber trees to mature in Alaska under ideal conditions. In Oregon and Washington, states often touted for their perfect timber growing climates,

re-forested clear cuts take many decades to replenish. It saddens me that cash strapped land owners and corporations don't stop to ask themselves what will happen to their land after the profitably harvestable timber trees are gone. And what happens to the birds, animals and fish that once that lived there?

I believe that the state needs to use this funding to further protect large areas such as the Kenai Fjords, Kodiak National wildlife Refuge and others like Kachemak Bay, and not continue to fund wasteful projects and questionable studies. The owners of these environmentally sensitive and resource rich lands have shown that they are willing to protect the lands if they are fairly compensated to do so. Alaska needs to continue the work that it started with Kachemak and Seal Bays. The Trustees need to strengthen the Habitat Protection Budget and to deflate the budgets that will end up in some contractor's bank account with nothing but paper to show for it. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,



Catherine S. Alcorn

cc: Governor Walter J. Hickel
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RE: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To the EVOS Trustees:

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the draft Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Restoration Plan and related draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The Alliance is a nonprofit organization that promotes increased protection for wildlife, most notably wild predators, in Alaska. Our 2,000 members work for equitable representation of nonconsumptive uses of wildlife, and for improvement of the wildlife policy public process. Although most often identified with the issue of depredation programs, such as wolf "control", we have been working on numerous other wildlife and habitat issues in the state for more than 16 years.

Our members believe the best use of the EVOS settlement funds is long-term protection of fish and wildlife resources. Clearly, the most effective way of ensuring robust wildlife populations well into the future is through *habitat acquisition and protection*.

"General restoration" projects such as cleaning up small patches of oil, fish hatcheries and mariculture developments are short-term, profit motivated ideas which are not appropriate to the purposes of the settlement funds. We recommend eliminating these appropriations, the benefits of which are small compared to securing intact ecosystems.

Although research can be valuable, we also recommend cutting in half the proposed allocation for marine studies. Scientific research may enlighten us as to exactly how oil poisons salmon, but entire salmon populations are at greater risk from intensive logging and clearcutting.

Our strongest request to the Trustees is to increase funds for habitat acquisition and protection to at least \$600 million. Providing fish and wildlife with healthy, functioning homes in which to exist and reproduce is the single most lasting action that can be taken to mitigate the devastating effects of the spill. In addition, it is equally important to acquire and protect *significant* habitat areas. Safeguarding three or four large parcels will protect more wildlife and is more in keeping with the purpose of the settlement funds than buying handfuls of scattered, puny lots.

To sum up our comments:

- Eliminate "general restoration" projects
- Cut in half proposed allocations for marine research
- Increase habitat protection funding to at least \$600 million.
- Acquire and protect large, significant parcels rather than numerous small ones

The ecologic and economic results of the Exxon Valdez oil spill are still not known. We implore the Trustees to do what is best for those most damaged by this disaster - Alaska's wildlife. We hope that our comments will not only be added to the public record, but will be meaningfully incorporated as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra Arnold". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sandra Arnold
Staff Representative

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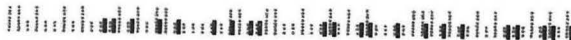


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EVOS Trustee Council
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Dear Sirs -

I have previously commented on how I think the Exxon settlement funds should be allocated and am very disappointed in the small amount planned for "Habitat Protection" vs. large amount for "General Restoration", in the DEIS. I urge you to reduce the General Restoration allocation to near 0, increase the Habitat Protection allocation to around \$500 million, and limit studies of oil effects to long term research on sub-lethal effects of Prudhoe Bay oil. Many of the proposed restoration projects are of questionable merit, or projects that should be done as part of the regular responsibilities of agencies: In other words, boondoggles that hope to use Exxon funds for projects that will have little or no influence on the pace of spill recovery. The marine environment and living resources affected by the spill will eventually recover without man's intervention.

The acquisition and permanent protection of large upland parcels in the spill-affected area would be the most effective use of most settlement funds — especially tracts in Prince William Sound.

I am a retired fishery biologist and personally familiar with the area and issues. Sincerely, Theodore R. Maxwell

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THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

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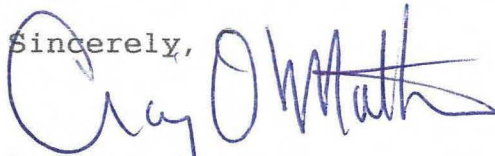
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Dear sirs,

After considerable thought, I must support a program resembling Aternative 2 in the draft environmental impact statement. I feel that approxiamately 480 million should be spent on habitat protection and 100 million on research and monitoring over the next 6-8 years. Although I have been directly involved in the research and monitoring program and have reviewed draft EVOS workplans for Homer based groups, I feel habitat protection is by far the most important use of the monies and will leave an important legacy for our children. My impression is that general restoration projects have been impractical and not successful in most cases.

Habitat protection must involve large parcels of land. Chenega Corporation lands in the heavily oil impacted southwestern Prince William Sound should receive strong attention. Lets prevent further damage to the oil impacted environment and promote recovery through habitiat protection.

Sincerely,



Craig O. Matkin

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William M. Cox
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EVOS Trustee Council,
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Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Sirs:

I offer the following comments on your Restoration Plan
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- 1) I STRONGLY urge you to increase the "Habitat Protection" portion of the budget to at least \$500 million, using this to protect LARGE areas of Rainforest Habitat in Kenai Fiords, Afognak Island, Kodiak Island Nat. Wildlife Refuge and other areas, especially when there are willing sellers!
- 2) DECREASE the budget for the "General Restoration" projects - many of these are questionable.
- 3) DECREASE the money to be spent on more "studies". Studies can become self-perpetuating and go on forever. There is a grand opportunity for action right now.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



William M. Cox

cc. Gov. Walter Hickel

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David Stutzer
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EVOS Trustee Council
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Dear Council Members,

First of all, I would like to thank you for your support of the buyback of native owned land in Kachemak Bay State Park as well as the purchase of land at Seal Bay on Afognak Island. I strongly believe that these purchases are examples of the proper use of funds from the Exxon Valdez civil settlement.

It can be argued that research is needed to assess the extent of the damage to natural resources and to monitor the speed of recovery of the resources. While it may be important to understand how crude oil affects flora and fauna in a marine environment, it does nothing to restore that animal and plant life to its pre-spill levels. Quite frankly, it doesn't take a genius to realize that oil isn't beneficial to marine life and that oil spills should be avoided. I don't believe we should spend any money, let alone millions, to find out something that most people know to be obvious.

The species that were impacted by the oil spill live in a marine coastal environment. There are thousands of acres of still undamaged marine environment in southcentral Alaska. Instead of trying to directly restore the impacted habitat of these species, I would suggest that you as council members look instead to the undamaged coastline for habitat preservation. Much of this undamaged coastline is owned by various native corporations that, out of financial necessity, are planning or are in the process of harvesting the trees on their land. This, in turn, is bringing about further destruction of the habitat of the very same species that were impacted by the oil spill.

In my opinion, the wisest use of the Exxon Valdez settlement funds is the purchase of the aforementioned lands from the native corporations, which seem to be willing sellers. Large chunks of land that would provide an undisturbed marine environment for the fish and wildlife that were impacted in the oil spill would be best. These lands can be found in Kenai Fjords National Park, Afognak Island, Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge as well as lands owned by native corporations in Prince William Sound.

Because of the Exxon Valdez oil spill, many changes were made in the requirements for shipping oil and procedures for preventing and containing any future oil spills. These are the positive results of an unfortunate accident. You, as Trustee Council Members, also have the opportunity to do something positive by preventing the further degradation of Alaska's marine coastal environment. By using Exxon Valdez settlement funds to purchase these lands, you can insure that a large part of this unique ecosystem will be preserved for the benefit of the flora and fauna, as well as people who want to experience this wilderness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "David Stutz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Cc: Gov. Walter J. Hickel

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EVOS Trustee Council
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Dear Trustee Council,

In order to help ensure long term protection of the Alaskan temperate rainforests and the organisms that depend upon the forests, I am asking you to do the following: (1) increase the budget for "Habitat Protection" to at least \$500 million; (2) decrease the budget for "General Restoration;" (3) support the purchase of large pieces of land rather than small pieces here and there; (4) support the purchase of land in the following areas: Kenai Fjords National Park, Chenega lands, Knight Island, Eyak lands, Afognak Island, and Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. I think these measures would be a better use of the Exxon settlement money than the current proposal. Thank you for your time and attention to this very important matter.

Sincerely,


Lenae Nofziger

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Exxon Waldez Oil Spill Trustees:

Please put the majority of the oil spill money into habitat acquisition and protection. Put it into big projects, not just lots of little "General Restoration" projects.

Without Habitat Protection, nothing will be there for my children and grandchildren. Please put, at a minimum, \$500 million into habitat protection.

Thank you for reading this. I would like to see your final report on how the money was spent if I might. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan Redwood

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Dear Persons:

I would respectfully request that you strengthen the "habitat protection" budget to at least \$500,000,000 and that you slash the budget for the "general restoration" boondoggles. I firmly support large acquisitions, not puny parcels surrounded by clear cuts. The specific areas I am referring to are the Kenai Fjords National Park, Chenega Lands, Knight Island, Eyak Lands, Afognak Island and the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge.

I appreciate your consideration and action on this matter as it relates to my request.

Sincerely,



Herbert A. Viergutz

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cc: Governor Walter J. Hickel
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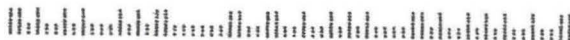


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Re: DEIS Comments

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Restoration Plan to date. At the risk of flogging the dead horse, I must repeat my plea to spend more money on habitat acquisition which will ensure long-lasting protection for species ravaged by the oil spill and less money on short-sighted projects like fish hatcheries and endless studies.

I applaud the purchase of land in Kachemak Bay State Park and Seal Bay. These parcels are among my favorite places in south central Alaska. I spend a lot of time in both. I want you to continue this tradition and protect very important habitat contained in inholdings in the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge as well as large parcels in Kenai Fjords and in Prince William Sound.

I read parts of the draft environmental impact statement and understand that my comments today are supposed address only impacts of proposed projects, but I must vent my frustration at the projects being considered. Too much of this settlement money is going down the drain and in the end the environment is the last and least benefitted.

Please put the environment first and purchase land to give the damaged species half a chance to recover.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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cc Walter Hickel

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