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Jennifer Murrell  
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Dear Ms. Murrell:

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR) received applications from Harvest Alaska for two pipeline Right-of-Way (ROW) leases. The Tyonek W-10 Gas Pipeline (Tyonek Pipeline) application is for the construction of a new natural gas pipeline from the Tyonek platform to Ladd Landing. The Cook Inlet Gathering System-A Marine Pipeline (CIGGS-A Pipeline) application is for the conversion of the CIGGS-A Pipeline from gas to oil. In this document, both projects are collectively referred to as the Cross Inlet Pipeline Extension Project (Cross Inlet Project). ADNR requested input from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) for these projects on the following topics:

- 1.) Description of the Fish, Wildlife, and Biotic resources in the area.
- 2.) Description of Sport Fishing in the vicinity.
- 3.) Description of the Commercial Fishery in the vicinity.
- 4.) Description of Subsistence Use in the vicinity.
- 5.) ADF&G proposed mitigation measures.

ADF&G has reviewed the ROW lease applications and would like to provide the attached comments and information on ADF&G-managed resources for these projects. ADNR's ROW lease authority for these projects is for areas below mean high tide. ADF&G comments, including recommended mitigation measures, are therefore focused on marine waters, anadromous fish, and intertidal areas, with a few exceptions, such as including information for species that primarily live above the high tide line but may go below it for periods of time (i.e., bald eagles to feed). Any questions about these comments can be directed to Habitat Biologist Jeanette Alas at 267-2805 or [jeanette.alas@alaska.gov](mailto:jeanette.alas@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeanette Alas".

Jeanette Alas  
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Enc: ADF&G comments – Cross Inlet Project  
Timing Concerns  
Tyonek Harvest Use Table  
Beluga Harvest Use Table  
Nikiski Harvest Use Table  
References Cited

Ecc: R. Benkert, ADF&G, Hab  
K. Harper, ADF&G, Hab  
B. Blossom, ADF&G, Hab  
J. Rumble, ADF&G, CF  
B. Marston, ADF&G, SF  
B. Davis, ADF&G, Sub  
S. Goodglick, ADF&G, WC

M. Marie, ADF&G, Hab  
A. Ott, ADF&G, Hab  
P. Shields, ADF&G, CF  
L. Olsen, ADF&G, Sub  
A. Wiita, ADF&G, Sub  
M. Petrula, ADF&G, WC