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Dear Mr. Helfrich:

The State of Alaska reviewed the draft Foundation Statements for Cape Krusenstern National Monument and Kobuk Valley National Park. The following comments represent the consolidated views of the State's resource agencies.

Kobuk Valley National Park

Page 10, Fundamental Resources and Values – Salmon River: To avoid potential differences in interpretation, we suggest using language from the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to describe the Salmon River, a designated Wild river, as *free-flowing, primitive, and unpolluted*, as opposed to “*clear, remote, and free flowing.*”

Page 25, Appendix A – Legislation: Since Kobuk Valley National Park does not include any preserve lands, we recommend removing the reference to Section 1313.

Page 27, Appendix B – Legislative History: As noted in our previous comments, the 1978 Proclamation is not legislation, as this section indicates. We recommend re-phrasing the description as follows: “Appendix B includes legislation or administrative action that...”

Cape Krusenstern National Monument

The comment above for Page 27 is also applicable to Appendix B of the Cape Krusenstern Foundation Statement.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment. Please contact me at (907) 269-7529 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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