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Dear Mr. <sup>Mike</sup> Penfold:

Thank you for your January 11, 1985 acknowledgement of the State's recommendations regarding the Steese and White Mountains proposed Resource Management Plans. We are pleased that you have responded favorably to many of the points made in our December 7, 1984 letter. The State is not prepared, however, to concur with your determination that the proposed plans are consistent (pursuant to 43 CFR 1610.3-2) until we have seen the revised documents themselves. Given the significance of, and the wide public interest in, these plans, we wish to review the complete revisions for a clear indication of how the commitments in your recent letter have been specifically accommodated. The State of Alaska will, of course, be prepared to appeal your decisions if necessary to the Director of the Bureau of Land Management within 30 days following availability of the revised plans.

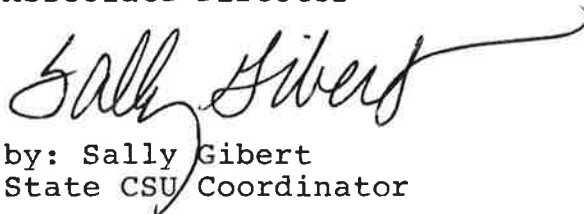
The State will also be interested to see the guidance which you may develop pursuant to 43 CFR 1610.3-1(c) for BLM area directors which will lead to the resolution to any inconsistencies which may remain following your approval of these plans.

We commend your decision to make available complete revisions of the proposed plans. I understand that you will also make them available as part of the proposed Record of Decision (ROD) which is scheduled for advisory action by the Alaska Land Use Council at it's next meeting. We will review the revised plans and the proposed ROD within the time frame provided by federal regulations.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and communication in these efforts.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Grogan  
Associate Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally Gibert". The signature is written in black ink and has a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

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