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Regulatory Division
POA-2016-500

Turnagain Community Council
Board of Directors
Attention: President Jonathan Tarrant
1057 West Fireweed Lane, Suite 100
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Dear Mr. Tarrant,

This is to acknowledge your December 22, 2016, letter commenting on a Department of the Army permit application submitted by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, file number POA-2016-500, Lake Hood. Your letter concerning the proposal has been placed in the official file and will be given serious consideration in our evaluation of the application.

We have forwarded to the applicant your concerns in the matter. They have provided the following responses to your comment letter:

- a. The proposed ditch design and outlet to existing culverts are intended to retain existing storm water flows in accordance with the MOA's Storm Water regulations. The proposed storage yard is designed to drain into three existing culverts that cross under Lake Hood Drive and into sheet flow that goes north to northeast into Turnagain Bog.
- b. The purpose and need statement in the Corps public notice is accurate, and once constructed, the proposed project would be used as a storage area only.

In addition, per 40 CFR 230.11(g) and 33 CFR 320.4(a)(1), the Corps must evaluate the cumulative impacts of a proposed project as part of a permit application review. However, this analysis is not required in a complete permit application (33 CFR 325.1(d)) nor a public notice (33 CFR 325.3(a)).

Please contact me via email at roberta.k.budnik@usace.army.mil, by mail at the address above, by phone at (907) 753-2785, or toll free from within Alaska at (800) 478-2712, if you have questions. For additional information about our Regulatory Program, visit our web site at www.poa.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.

Sincerely,

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