

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION
RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 25-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF THE WASILLA CREEK TRIBUTARY AT BONNIE DRIVE FISH PASSAGE CULVERTS REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Wasilla Creek system is a productive salmon stream providing habitat for all five species of Pacific salmon; and

WHEREAS, Wasilla Creek is in the urbanized portion of the Mat-Su Borough with a number of roads crossing the creek and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the Mat-Su Borough and the State of Alaska have expended funding in excess of \$5 Million to replace fish passage culverts along this creek over the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, the Mat-Su Borough in cooperation with ADF&G and USFWS spent approximately \$400,000 to reroute trails and make repairs to the stream damage caused by off-road vehicles along the upper tributaries of Wasilla Creek in the Matanuska Valley Moose Range; and

WHEREAS, there are three undersized culverts on a Wasilla Creek tributary along Bonnie Drive that are in need of replacement in order to safely pass salmon and other aquatic organisms; and

WHEREAS, grant funding opportunities are available for the replacement of fish passage culverts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission supports replacement of the three fish passage culverts on the Wasilla Creek tributary along Bonnie Drive.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Fish and Wildlife Commission this ninth day of January, 2025.



Andrew Couch, Chair

ATTEST:



Margaret Brown,