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Luke Rogers Assistant Biologist Wood Bison Restoration Project Alaska Department of Fish & Game Division of Wildlife Conservation 1300 College Road Fairbanks, AK 99701

Dear Luke Rogers,

This letter is to acknowledge the Middle Nenana Advisory Committee for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game have discussed amongst our group this unique possibility at hand and based on your initial presentation, would like to support the reintroduction of wood bison into the lower Tanana area. We are eager and willing to work with you and the department on this monumental task in evaluating a location, addressing local concerns by various user groups, management objectives and any other items specifically related to the reintroduction of this species.

Our support on this decision for this location is based on a variety of reasons discussed amongst the committee. Some of these reasons include its conveniently close location to Fairbanks (allowing the herd to be more closely monitored), suitable habitat for reintroduction and overall general interest in future harvest opportunities for local communities.

Again, please accept this letter as an acknowledgement of support from our committee and feel free to reach out to us at any time for additional input or questions.

Thank You,

Allan Mortenson Chair, Middle Nenana River Advisory Committee