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Juneau International
Airport

Dave Palmer – Airport Manager
Juneau International Airport
1873 Shell Simmons Drive, Suite 200
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Notice – City & Borough of Juneau
Airport Expansion Project

The Department of Natural Resources Division of Mining Land and Water (DMLW) in conjunction with the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) is currently doing the public notice portion of processing several authorizations that are required by the Juneau International Airport/City and Borough of Juneau (JIA) for the expansion of the airport into the Mendenhall Wetlands State Game Refuge (MWSGR), please see the enclosed notice of proposed actions. The public comment period will end on **May 5, 2008**. What happens after the comment period closes will depend on the comments we receive, DMLW will contact you after the closing date to inform you of what the next step will be on each of these authorizations.

Please find enclosed for casefile, ADL 107380 (conveyance) a copy of the Preliminary Decision (PD); for ADL 107597 (avigation easement) a copy of the Proposed Decision to Grant Easement and for LAS 26603 (permit for construction) a copy of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. As the applicant JIA is entitled to comment on these decisions. **It is very important that JIA take the time to review these documents because they also determine additional terms and conditions that the applicant will be required to comply with. If you have concerns with any of the decisions you must request specific changes at this time and submit them in writing by the comment due date.** This will give DMLW/DFG an opportunity to address them in the final decision(s) and preserve JIA's right to subsequently appeal any of the decisions you are in disagreement with. It is also advised that if you agree with these decisions to provide written comment to that affect. This will ensure your rights to review and appeal the final decisions.

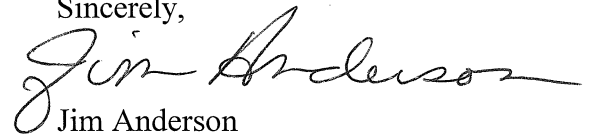
The notice of the proposed actions is ready for advertisement. To comply with our AS 38.05.945 notice requirements for ADL 107380 a notice of this decision must be published in one newspaper of statewide circulation and one newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the proposed action. Department policy requires that the notice is placed and the applicant pays the publication charges. Our office emailed the public notices to the Anchorage Daily News and the Juneau Empire. I have contacted your agent, Tom Carson of Carson Dorn Inc. to pay for them, enclosed are copies of this request. For purposes of establishing the thirty day comment period the day of first publication in the newspaper is the day that the comment period officially begins.

Because there is a conveyance of land out of the MWSGR, under ADL 107380 the MWSGR management plan requires that a public hearing is held to collect testimony on the matter. The enclosed notice identifies the time, date and place for the hearing.

“Develop, Conserve, and Enhance Natural Resources for Present and Future Alaskans.”

If you have any questions regarding any of this please contact me at 465-3427 or email address, jim.anderson@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Anderson".

Jim Anderson
Natural Resource Specialist

Enclosures as stated

cc: Tom Carson, Carson and Dorn Inc. with enclosures
John Lovett, Federal Aviation Administration with enclosure of notice of proposed actions