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April 27, 2026

Lorna Wilson  
PNP Hatchery Coordinator  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game

RE: Request for a Management Feasibility Analysis (5 AAC 40.130)

Dear Lorna,

We respectfully request a Management Feasibility Analysis (MFA) for the king crab hatchery being developed on Saint Paul Island in the Pribilofs, in the Bering Sea. The hatchery development is a proof-of-concept program funded by a three-year grant from the United States Congress administered through NOAA/NMFS and the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation (AFDF). The project funding began in 2025, and we are now in the beginning of our second year of funding and first year of operations, authorized by the Commissioner under a Fish Transport Permit.

The hatchery is located inside the Trident Seafoods crab processing facility on Saint Paul.

The desired broodstocks are:

- Bristol Bay Red King Crab (BBRKC)
- Pribilof Island Blue King Crab (PIBKC) possible in the future

Broodstock, incubation, and rearing levels desired in the first and current cycle:

- Collect 35 adult gravid female BBRKC in April or May 2026.
- From that broodstock we anticipate the production of 250,000 crab juveniles at the C1 stage, to be released in BBRKC habitat in Bristol Bay.

Broodstock, incubation, and rearing levels desired at full capacity:

- Collect 50 adult gravid female BBRKC in April or May 2027.
- From that broodstock we anticipate the production of 1,000,000 crab juveniles to be released at the C1 stage in BBRKC habitat in Bristol Bay.

The group would like to also work with PIBKC in the future, as resources are available.

Please feel free to reach out if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Goodman".

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