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Dear Ms. Vinson:

Thank you for your invitation to participate in your Interdisciplinary Team for the development of the Knik Arm Crossing Environmental Impact Statement. Unfortunately, I did not receive your invitation until the day of the meeting.

The U.S. Geological Survey has no jurisdiction regarding this project. However, we have expertise in hydraulic modeling that may be of use in reviewing the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Feel free to call on us, through Steve Frenzel, Water Resources Office, or me at 907-786-7000, if you feel such a review is needed.

Sincerely,


Leslie Holland-Bartels, Director
Alaska Science Center

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