1June 6, 2016

**KPFHP Steering Committee Meeting** 

2pm

Location: Kenai Watershed Forum, Soldotna

Present	Telephonic	Absent
Jack Sinclair, KWF	Marie McCarty, KHLT	Paul Ostrander, KPB
Rhonda McCormick, KWF	Erika Ammann , NOAA	Peter Micciche, SOA/Conoco
Branden Bornemann, KWF	Michael Daigneault, USFWS	
Kyle Graham, USFWS	Adam Cross, USFS	
Jeff Anderson, USFWS	Sue Mauger, CIK 2:09	
Ginny Litchfield, ADF&G	Roger Harding, ADF&G 2:11	

## **Steering Committee Seats**

Paul and Peter terms expiring

2 applications to take the new terms over

Christy Cincotta – Tyonek Tribal Conservation District

Also on the Mat-Su Steering Committee

Marcus Mueller – Kenai Peninsula Borough

## Both applicants approved unanimously

Jack will write thank you cards to Paul/Peter

Robert Begich, ADF&G Sport Fish Div submitted letter for future biologist seat

ADF&G holds permanent seat on the Committee – Ginny, ADF&G Habitat Div

Could be value in having different division represented Position not filled yet – there's no person

Would be premature with nobody ready to take that position

ADF&G will decide internally one person to represent their seat (Habitat)

Perhaps better to serve on Science/Research/Tech Committee

Attend with Ginny or as her alternate?

Meetings are open to the public - anyone can attend

Ginny would (and has) have Habitat staff function as her alternate

Is Robert wanting to make KPFHP participation part of the new job duties?

Would require adding the final allowable seat on Committee

Would be better to have a separate entity be represented than 2 from ADF&G

Committee not meeting again until the Fall, no reason to decide now

State funding issues might play into actual hiring

**Iack will communicate with Robert** 

No decision was made

Encourage involvement at some level

Needs for Science/Data Committee

## Science Symposium

April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

Need seating for 125 (with tables is optimum)

Will check our Solid Rock - has breakout rooms

Will check out Catholic Church
Challenger Center is unavailable
Need ideas for themes and keynote speaker
EPSCoR research presentation?
Lots of research on different topics related to habitat on Peninsula
All related to "Change" – possible theme?
Dan Rinella – just hired by USFWS

Jack will be sending monthly updates to Committee

Roger Harding is retiring

His position is ending – Statewide Coordinator responsibilities will be transitioning Gillian O'Doughetery and Tracy Smith Honored to be a part of KPFHP

**Next Meeting: TBA (October)**