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Mr. Jim Renkert, Project Review Coordinator
State of Alaska Department of Natural Resources
Office of Project Management and Permitting
Alaska Coastal Management Program
550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 705
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Subject: Beachy – Halibut Cove Floating Dock AK 0812-06AA

Dear Mr. Renkert:

The Kenai Peninsula Borough Coastal District (KPBCD) has reviewed the subject project for consistency with applicable standards of the Alaska Coastal Management Program and the enforceable policies of the KPBCD and concurs with the applicant's certification of consistency.

Project Description

The project subject to this consistency review is the construction of a new floating dock on the eastern ½ of parcel 57 on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assessor's Map. The dock will be 12' x 30' floating dock from which a 4' x 50' ramp will connect to an existing boardwalk. Three pilings will be driven to support the dock. The dock will provide private access to property recently purchased after adjacent land was subdivided. A previous ACMP Consistency Review, AK0804-17AA, was completed in September 2008 which found consistent a 10' x 30' floating dock, a 4' x 30' ramp and six support pilings. The proposed changes to the previously approved project include an expansion to a 12' x 30' dock, a 4' x 50' ramp, a reduction to three support pilings, and a new directional orientation. The project is located on the southwestern side of the Halibut Cove Narrows, within Section 1, T. 7S., R 12W., SM. Kenai Peninsula Borough tax parcel number 19328096.

Findings

This project is consistent with 11 AAC 112.200, Coastal Development, because access to the applicant's property is only through coastal waters. The project is consistent with 11 AAC 112.220, Coastal Access, because no reduction in public access will occur as a result of the activity.

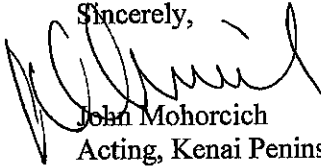
The project is consistent with the habitat standard at 11 AAC 12.300 (b)(1) because there are no competing commercial, recreational, subsistence or other competing uses proposed for the site. The district defers to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game with regard to biological impacts of the project in the Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat Area.

The project is consistent with Kenai Peninsula Borough Coastal Zone Management Policy (KPBCZMP) 1.0, Coastal Development, inasmuch as the floating facility will not settle on or abrade the substrate at low tide, will not restrict interfere with or restrict passage by others and will not create an adverse impact to littoral processes in coastal waters.

The project is consistent with KPBCZMP 3.0, Recreational and Coastal Access because the access to the applicant's property is available only by water and does not create a hazard or obstruction to navigation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,



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