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Chris Oliver, Executive Director NPFMC
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RE: Letter of Support for Dr. Lew Coggins

Dear Mr. Oliver,

Dr. Lew Coggins on my staff has been serving on the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) for the last year to fill in for Terry Quinn who was on sabbatical. I support that Lew remain on the SSC as the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) replacement for the seat that Kathy Kluetz vacated several years ago.

Lew is an invaluable asset to the US Fish and Wildlife Service with his ability to work with others to accomplish objectives. His skills as a biometrician have greatly enhanced the ability to accomplish the mission of the FWS. He will be invaluable as a member of the SSC.

I recommend that he begin his service at the October 3rd-6th meeting in Anchorage Alaska.

Please call me with any additional questions or concerns at 907-543-1003

Very Best Regards,

Ray Born
Acting Refuge Manager
Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge