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David Witherell, Executive Director  
North Pacific Fisheries Management Council  
1007 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Suite 400  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Mr. Witherell:

Under Section 302 of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, I represent the state of Washington on the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) as Director of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW). Mr. Tweit is retiring from WDFW after a distinguished career as a fisheries manager and has served in this seat as the Director's designee for 20 years. I am pleased to appoint Mr. Nate Pamplin as my designee to the WDFW seat on the Council, effective August 1, 2025.

Mr. Pamplin is the Director of External Affairs and has worked for WDFW for 18 years. He represents me on numerous intergovernmental forums including serving as an alternate to the Council since December, 2024, as a Commissioner to the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, and as my representative to the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies where he chairs that organization's Ocean Resources Policy Committee. He has a strong background in fisheries management, wildlife conservation, and marine mammal policy issues.

I am confident Mr. Pamplin will serve WDFW and the Council well through its mission to develop fishery management plans and promote sustainable fisheries. At this current time, I am not designating an alternate for Mr. Pamplin. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (360) 902-2225.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kelly Susewind", is written over a horizontal line.

Kelly Susewind  
Director

cc: Angel Drobnica  
Nate Pamplin