



November 16, 2023

Angela Drobnica, Chair
North Pacific Fisheries Management Council
1007 West 3rd Ave., Suite 400
L92 Building, 4th Floor
Anchorage, AK 99501

RE: Support for Eva Burk Nomination for the NPFMC Tribal AP Seat

Dear Chair Drobnica and Members of the Council,

The Yukon River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission represents 37 federally recognized tribes along the Yukon River Watershed from the mouth to the Canadian Border. The Fish Commission advocates for sustainable fisheries along the Yukon River, to continue our culture and ways of life, and to blend traditional and indigenous knowledge with western science to better understand the declines in Yukon River Salmon. We are pleased to support Nenana Tribal Member, Eva Burk, to serve as the Alaska Native Tribal seat on the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council (NPFMC) Advisory Panel (AP).

Ms. Burk was raised in Nenana in her traditional ways of life and had been a fisher in the Yukon River Drainage for many years. Ms. Burk holds a Bachelors in Civil Engineering and is pursuing a Master's in Natural Resource Management. The Fish Commission believes Ms. Burk will be an asset to this Advisory Panel with her broad knowledge and experience working with tribes and State and Federal Advisory Panels.

The Yukon River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission strongly supports Ms. Burk as a candidate for the NPFMC AP tribal seat and we ask that you seriously consider her for this position.

Mahsi Cho,

Sincerely,



Karma L. Ulvi -Chair



122 1ST Avenue, Suite 600
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701
1-800-478-6822