



September 9, 2021

John Binkley, Chair
Alaska Redistricting Board
P.O. Box 240147
Anchorage, AK 99503

Dear Mr. Binkley,

On behalf of the communities of Prince William Sound, I am writing to urge your consideration for an election district that encompasses Prince William Sound as a contiguous unit.

Our communities already represent a compact, contiguous geographic unit by virtue of their location encircling the marine waters of Prince William Sound. Our economies are driven collectively by the Sound's commercial fishing activity, marine transport through the Sound (fishing vessels, shipping of oil, goods, and people on the AMHS ferry and cruise ships), and tourism activity in the Sound.

From the regional level, we work on coordinating among our five communities on our schools' sports and academic event schedules, our ferry service schedule, regional tourism marketing, and our telecommunications infrastructure.

For our communities to work with a legislator who can advocate for our coastal community needs as a region, we feel we are best served by being included as a group in one election district.

Thank you for your consideration of the interests of our Prince William Sound communities as you work through the process of drawing new election districts for Alaska.

Sincerely,

Kristin Carpenter
Executive Director

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