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Heather Stewart 5310 S. Bodenburg Spur Palmer, AK 99645

Subject: Pesticide Use Permit Emergency Exemption for Elodea Control in Lake Hood/Spenard

Dear Ms. Stewart,

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has completed its evaluation of your request for an exemption from the pesticide permit requirements for the application of herbicides to control invasive Elodea in Lake Hood/Spenard.

Emergency pesticide use permit exemptions are granted under Title 18, Chapter 90 (18 AAC 90), Section 510(b) of the Alaska Administrative Code, and Alaska Statute 46.03.330. Any change or extension must be requested in writing to DEC. The exemption is hereby granted, with the following stipulations and conditions:

- 1. This emergency exemption is for the application of only the following chemicals:
 - Littora, EPA registration number 97690-53, with active ingredient diquat dibromide;
 - **Sonar GENESIS**, with EPA registration number 67690-54, with active ingredient Fluridone; and
 - **SonarONE**, with EPA registration number 67690-45, with active ingredient Fluridone.
- 2. Use pesticides only in the manner specified by the label instructions. Adhere to all the requirements specified by the pesticide product label.
- 3. Apply pesticides in accordance with the pesticide permit exemption application materials submitted to DEC for this project, dated July 10, 2015.
- 4. Apply pesticides only to those areas identified in the permit exemption application.
- 5. Ensure that pesticides are applied only by a person properly certified by DEC to apply such pesticides, or a person under the direct supervision of a person so certified.
- 6. Apply pesticides using properly calibrated equipment, and in strict compliance with safety precautions.

- 7. Post notification signs around the perimeter of the treatment area approximately every 300 feet (where practical) and in high use areas. Signs should include a warning that pesticides have been applied, the date of application, and contact information where the public can receive more information. Signs must be posted prior to applications, and remain in place at least 24 hours.
- 8. Maintain records for each pesticide application, as required under 18 AAC 90.420. Submit records to DEC no later than **30 days** after last application of the year is complete, or **January 31, 2016**, whichever is earliest.
- 9. This permit exemption is not an exemption from any other regulations governing pesticide application in 18 AAC 90, including, but not limited to, requirements related to application, storage, handling, transport, disposal, use of certified applicators, worker protection, and record keeping.
- 10. This permit exemption is not an exemption from any other permits that may be required by this or other agencies.
- 11. This exemption is valid through **December 31, 2015**.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact Karin Hendrickson at (907) 376-1856 or by email at Karin.Hendrickson@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

Larry Hartig Commissioner