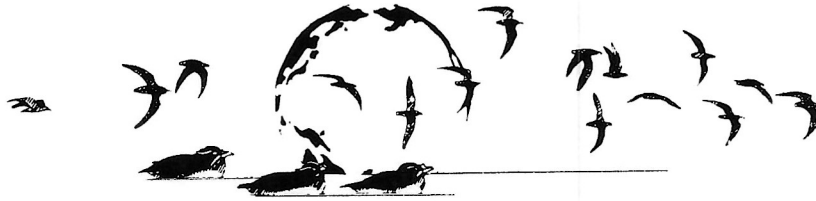


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## Pacific Seabird Group



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DEDICATED TO THE STUDY AND CONSERVATION OF PACIFIC SEABIRDS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT

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June 8, 1993

Mr. Steven Pennoyer, Regional Director  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
Federal Building Annex  
9109 Mendenhall Road, Suite 6  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

### Re: Federal Restoration Projects

Dear Mr. Pennoyer:

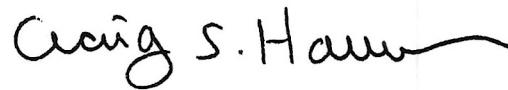
Thank you for your letter dated May 6, 1993 concerning the \$50 million federal trust fund for restoration projects related to the Exxon Valdez oil spill. As you know, the Pacific Seabird Group (PSG) has actively commented on the restoration plans of the federal-state oil spill trustees. PSG is an international organization that was founded in 1972 to promote knowledge, study and conservation of Pacific seabirds. Its members are drawn from the entire Pacific Basin, including Russia, Canada, Japan, China, Mexico, Australia and New Zealand. Among PSG's members are biologists who have research interests in Pacific seabirds, state and federal officials who manage seabird refuges, and individuals who are interested in marine conservation.

Our recommendations to the federal trustees are identical to our recommendations to the federal-state trustees. As we pointed out to you in our letter dated March 9, 1993, we believe that a program designed to remove alien predators from seabird colonies in Alaska is by far the most cost effective means to restore Alaska's seabirds and will restore entire island communities for seabirds, waterfowl and shorebirds. In addition, as we noted in the enclosed letter dated April 14, 1993 to David Gibbons, we endorse the endowment of chairs at the University of Alaska to study birds that were affected by the oil spill. Finally, as we

testified to the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries on March 19, 1993, we recommend that specific islands be purchased as seabird habitat. Our testimony to the committee, which includes our list of recommended purchases, is enclosed.

If you have further questions concerning these issues, please call me at (202) 778-2240 during office hours on the east coast.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Craig S. Harrison". The signature is written in dark ink and has a fluid, connected style.

Craig S. Harrison

Enclosures