

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

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Re: Removal of Predators from Seabird Colonies

Dear Mr. Martin:

Thank you for your letter dated May 21, 1992 concerning your progress in obtaining authority to use M-44's and 1080 for removal of alien foxes on Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge islands. As you may know, by letter dated June 3, 1992 the Pacific Seabird Group sent comments to Dr. David R. Gibbons, Exxon Valdez Oil Trustee Council, and reiterated our support for using trust funds on introduced predator eradication. We have also contacted the Migratory Bird Office of FWS and have expressed similar support. We may also be in a position to request support for this project from Congress for FY94 through the U.S. Section of the International Council for Bird Preservation.

Please let us know of any further progress that you may have made concerning authority to use toxicants and a Memorandum of Understanding with the Animal Damage Control Program. We stand ready to assist your continuing efforts to eradicate foxes from the seabird islands. With all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Craig S. Harrison