

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council General Restoration, Habitat Enhancement, Habitat Protection, and Facilities Projects Quarterly Project Reporting Form

Project Number: Project 22220611

Project Title: Big Eddy Restoration and Improvements

Principal Investigator(s): Shannon Martin, Kenai River Sportfishing Association

Reporting Periods and Due Dates:

Reporting Period	Due Date		
February, March, April	June 1		
May, June, July	September 1		
August, September, October	December 1		
November, December, January	March 1		

Submission Date: December 1

Project Website: n/a

Please check <u>all</u> the boxes that apply to the current reporting period.

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Not applicable

☐ Personnel changes.

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1. Summary of Work Performed:

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Kenai River Sportfishing Association (KRSA) and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR) was completed for a Period of Performance of April 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026. This MOA established DPOR's roles and responsibilities in design and management of this project.

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DPOR conducted a site visit and completed the topographic and environmental surveys in September, KRSA designed and ordered site concept display boards for presentations, KRSA and DPOR presented the project to Kenai River Special Management Area (KRSMA) advisory board.

2. Abstract:

The collective funding will be used to enhance and protect riverbank habitat, as well as to support recreational access and tourism at the 16.7-acre Big Eddy Day Use Area near Soldotna, Alaska. Interpretive displays will also be installed at the site to facilitate redirecting human impact and promote public participation in the long-term success of the project objectives. This project will be constructed in multiple phases over a four-year period.

This project will construct over 1,000 feet of elevated light-penetrating (ELP) walkway and provide river access stairs for habitat protection; restore 150 feet of deteriorating riverbank along the Kenai River; construct a parking area away from the riverbank to meet user demand help prevent haphazard parking in sensitive riparian areas; and will pave the 500-foot section of Big Eddy Road that goes through the park unit and the existing gravel parking area.

3. Coordination and Collaboration:

A portion of the work at the Big Eddy Day Use Area has been funded through the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Renovation of the floating boat dock, gangway and boat launch will be completed with these funds. Funding sources include Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux) and State matching funds.

The Big Eddy Facility Improvements project has also been selected by DPOR as a potential project for collaboration with the University of Alaska Anchorage, School of Engineering Senior Design class. This class provides real-world experience in project design for students about to graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. Students will complete a 35% design and cost estimate by the end of a semester, some of which may be useful to the final design completed by DPOR. Costs for this community outreach will not be applied to grant funding.

4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations and Comments:

Not applicable

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5. Budget:

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Personnel	\$2,250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,250	\$1,062
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs (40%)	\$900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$900	\$425
SUBTOTAL	\$3,150	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,150	\$1,487
General							
Administration (9% of subtotal)	\$284	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$284	\$134
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PROJECT TOTAL	\$3,434	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,434	\$1,621
Other Resources							
(In-Kind Funds)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,773

As stated above in Section 3, DPOR has not expended EVOS money yet. Their charges to date have come from ADF&G funding. KRSA Executive Director Shannon Martin has dedicated 5% of her time supporting this project. That amount is reflected under the Personnel line.

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